

Royalston Historic District Commission

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Application for Certificate

Instructions:

- Use separate applications for changes that are not related to each other.
- Include sketches or pictures showing design, sizes, colors, materials, etc. (a sketch is worth a thousand words).
- File five copies of the completed application at an HDC meeting; or mail, e-mail or give them to a commission member for filing at the next meeting.
- It is recommended that applicants attend the meeting or send an agent. Even well prepared applications generate questions and answering them quickly will avoid delays.
- Until the work is started, certificates expire if one year elapses or in case of sale. Once the work is started it must be completed diligently.
- If you have any questions, please contact the Commission.

Date: May 13, 2020

Address of Property: 0 On the Common, Royalston, MA 01368

Owner's Name: Town of Royalston

Applicant's Name: James M Barclay, Chair, Royalston Building Committee

Applicant's mailing address: Street/P.O. Box: 92

City, State, Zip: Royalston, MA 01368

Please check the certificate applied for:

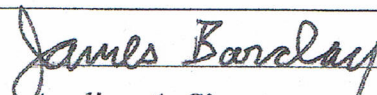
☒ Appropriateness

☐ Non-Applicability

☐ Hardship

Short description of the proposed changes. (Provide the details on page 2 and on additional sheets and exhibits as necessary).

Installation of a new roof on the Raymond School after the original asbestos-based roof is removed. The driving motivation for this project is the removal of asbestos to improve the safety of those who might use the building in the future. The Building Committee is proposing to use CertainTeed Landmark Premium asphalt shingles in the color Cobblestone Gray, a color that will be similar to the existing roof. The original copper hip ridge caps will be replaced with new copper ridge caps.


Applicant's Signature

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Date Filed May 21, 2020 Received by P. Humblet Application Number 2020-05-1

Date Accepted for consideration May 24, 20 Public Hearing ☒ Notices mailing date(s) May 22, 2020

Continuation date _____ Applicant's signature _____ Date _____

Decision approved Chairperson's signature Peter J. Kravack Date 6/2/20

Comments or conditions:

Detailed description

The Town of Royalston is beginning the work needed to allow the building known as the Raymond School to be used as town office space. The first step in this project is to abate the significant amount of asbestos used in the building that was built by the WPA in 1939. Most of the asbestos inside the building was used to insulate the oil-fired boiler and associated piping for the heating system. This asbestos will be removed as will the heating system.

The foundation material used in the existing roofing shingles, while looking like slate, is asbestos. The roof has been leaking for years and cannot be repaired by town employees because of the asbestos. This roof will be entirely removed and all vestiges of asbestos material removed. This will of course leave the building without a roof. The current proposed project will then re-roof the building with high-quality asphalt shingles that will closely match the asbestos shingles in color and shape. Our attempts to find an affordable replacement for the asbestos shingles, with a reasonably long life (30 years), has resulted in our choice of an architectural asphalt shingle. The only visible change to the current roof will be a change to the texture of the roof and the Elimination of numerous temporary patches on the existing roof. CertainTeed Landmark Premium Cobblestone Gray shingles would be the choice of the Building Committee. See example below.





Existing Raymond School Roof