

Royalston Historic District Commission

Royalston, Massachusetts, 01368

Meeting Minutes

Date: March 17, 2005

Attendees: Peter Kraniak, vice chair, Bob Casinghino, Roger O'Donnell, Celt Grant, and Andy West, secretary. All were active voters.

Meeting called to order at 7:50 PM by Peter Kraniak

The meeting was held in the Phineas Newton Library because of inability to access the town hall. A notice was posted on the Town Hall front door to direct interested parties to the new location.

Minutes of the January 20, 2005 meeting were read and approved.

Active Applications

None.

New Applications

Bob Casinghino brought an application from Dwight Stowell for a porch addition to his house at 2 Warwick Rd. The porch would extend from the north side of the house connected to the ell of the house. Members examined the application. Bob took questions to ask Dr. Stowell. Celt moved to accept the application and to hold a public hearing with the provision that Dr. Stowell add additional elevations to the application by the hearing date. The motion was seconded by Roger O'Donnell and carried unanimously with Bob abstaining because he is an abutter to the Stowells. The hearing will be at 7:30pm on April 21, 2005 in the town hall.

Old Business

Peter will contact someone in Montague, MA, to ask about historic district signs they have there.

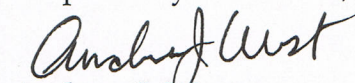
New Business

Members reported that the light bulbs (and probably the fixtures) in front of the town hall and first congregational church ^{were} recently ^{changed} without permission from the HDC. The new lights are high pressure sodium which give off an orange hue and color the buildings at night. Peter made a motion to send a letter to the Select board indicating the HDC's concern. Bob seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Celt motioned to end the meeting, Bob seconded. The motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Andrew J. West,
Secretary