

# *Royalston Historic District Commission*

*Royalston, Massachusetts, 01368*

## Meeting Minutes

Date: September 20, 2007

Attendees: Andy West, Bob Casinghino, Peter Kraniak, and Celt Grant. All were active voters.

Meeting called to order at 8:00 pm by Chairman, Peter Kraniak.

There was no meeting in August due to lack of quorum.

## Minutes

Minutes from the July 19, 2007 meeting were read and approved.

## Active Applications

The members discussed an application from Stephen Chase. The Commission had asked him for more justification for the color scheme to paint the house. The public hearing was held on the 60 day anniversary of accepting the application. Action on the application was postponed for 30 days to gain more information. Since there was no meeting in August, the application is approved by default.

Members discussed applications submitted by Dwight Stowell for several issues at the request of the commission: One for a light fixture over the barn door; One for a light on the house ell; One for a light fixture hanging from the front porch; One for granite posts moved from beside the barn to the front yard. The Commission had previously not accepted the applications because of incomplete information. A letter was written to Dr. Stowell and more information was provided.

Bob Casinghino made a motion to accept the 3 light applications for consideration and waive the public hearing. Celt seconded. The motion passed with three in favor and Bob abstaining. Celt made a motion to accept the granite post application for consideration and hold a public hearing October 18, 2007 at 7:30p.m. Bob seconded.

## New Business

Andy announced that Selectmen appointed Pierre Humblet to the Commission. Pierre was traveling for this meeting, but will be at the October meeting.

Bob mentioned that Henry Cole's house now has a torpedo style propane tank behind the house but visible from a public way. Bob made a motion to notify him of the violation. Celt seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

## Old Business

Members researched Kelly's replacement stairs and determined that the replacements do not match the originals in that the new steps do not have risers and are not painted. A metal chimney cap was installed on the north chimney. Celt made a motion notify Kelly of the stair design violation. Bob seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Bob made a motion to inform Mr. Kelly that adding a cap to the chimney is a change that must be applied for and justified. Peter seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

## Meeting adjourned

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Bob motioned to adjourn the meeting, Andy seconded. Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Andy West,  
Secretary