

Royalston Historic District Commission
Royalston, Massachusetts, 01368

Meeting Minutes

Date: March 17, 2011

Attendees: Peter (chair), Bob, Rick, Pierre, Andy (late), Celt (late). All were active voters.

Peter called the meeting to order at 7:45 PM.

Minutes

The members read the minutes of the February meeting. Bob motioned to approve them as written. Peter seconded. All voted in favor.

Pierre reported that he had found his notes about the January meeting and that he wished to add some details to the minutes approved in February. The members read the modified minutes. Bob motioned to approve the additions. Peter seconded. All voted in favor.

Internal matters

Peter reported that he had not received a request to provide a budget. On his arrival Andy said he had taken care of that matter.

Old business

Dish antennas.

Bob inquired about the status of the parsonage dish antenna. Pierre reported that there was nothing concrete to report but that he felt confident that progress could be made fairly quickly.

Historic District boundary signs

Andy reported that no account containing the \$1500 appropriated by the Town Meeting could be found, but that there was no record that the money had been returned to the general account. So the funds should be available. The Town Clerk will look into the matter.

Rick reported that a mock-up would be made in two sizes from which we can choose and that the cost would be \$130 per sign.

The members discussed the procedure to authorize the installation. We converged on filing an application after the mock-ups are available and then organizing a public hearing focusing on the sign design. The Selectboard would be contacted in parallel. After the hearing we would post a notice in the newsletter about the upcoming installation.

Plantings near the fire house.

The members would organize a working party later in the Spring.

John McClure's window on NE Fitzwilliam Road

Pierre reported that John didn't seem to have removed the front vinyl windows installed without authorization but might have installed new approved windows on the West side. The certificate of appropriateness will expire in May. We decided not to take any formal action at this time but to send a reminder letter before the expiration date of the certificate.

Meeting adjourned

Bob motioned to close the meeting, Andy seconded. Peter adjourned the meeting at 8:50 PM

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "P.A. Humblet". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial "P" and "A".

Pierre A. Humblet,
Secretary

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Meeting Agenda
April 21, 2011 at 7:30 PM
Royalston Town Hall

Old Applications:
None

New Applications:
As they may be filed at the meeting

Internal HDC matters:
Correspondence
Financial items
Other internal matters

Other commission matters:
Historic District boundary signs
Parsonage TV dish
Plantings in front of Verizon equipment near the firehouse
Linking to the MHC web site from the RHDC web site.

Any other business that may come before the commission