

Royalston Historic District Commission

Royalston, Massachusetts, 01368

Regular meetings were not held as scheduled in June and July due to lack of business and quorum. No applications were filed on those days.

Meeting Minutes

Date: Aug 16th, 2012

Attendees: Peter Kraniak (Chair), Celt Grant, Bob Casinghino, Clarence Rabideau, Pierre Humblet (Secretary), Chris Dawson (late) Rick Carrier (late). All were active voters.

Peter opened the meeting at 7:40 PM

Minutes:

The members read the minutes from the May 17 meeting. Bob made a motion to approve them as read. Clarence seconded. Four of the members present voted in favor while abstained.

Old business

HDC boundary signs: We have not heard back from Andy about the search for the funds voted by the Town Meeting. We decided to write a letter to the Select Board pointing to that vote, indicating that we are ready to make the order and asking about the procedure to follow to obtain the funds.

New business

Town Hall elevator. Peter has received a request from the Select Board to have an HDC member participate to a meeting (or a series of meetings) about the Town Hall elevator. We will inquire about the meeting schedule.

New application

Chris Dawson brought an application for a certificate of Non-Applicability to remove the rear concrete patio at 2 on the Common and to install temporary wooden steps. As the area is visible from a public way, he was asked to apply for Appropriateness instead, which he did. Bob motioned to accept the amended application for consideration, without requiring a public hearing. Clarence seconded. All voted in favor except Chris and Pierre who recused themselves. Application 2012-08-01.

Internal HDC matters

Guidelines.

Bob had e-mailed proposed guidelines for solar panels in the District. Ken had sent written comments in advance. The group made numerous comments and suggestions. Bob will use them to produce another draft. Rick arrived during this discussion.

Election of officers

The current officers indicated that they were willing to continue serving. Bob made a motion to re-elect Peter as chair, Celt as vice-chair and Pierre as secretary. Chris seconded. Approval was unanimous.

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Meeting adjourned

Celt made a motion to close the meeting. Rick seconded. It was unanimously approved. Peter closed the meeting at 9:26 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Pierre A. Humblet,
Secretary