

Royalston Historic District Commission

Royalston, Massachusetts, 01368

Working Together to Preserve Yesterday for Tomorrow.

MINUTES

Date: June 20, 1996

Attenders: Peter Kraniak, John Poor, Patience Bundschuh, George Krasowski, Andy West and Mark Smith, *Rick Carrier*

Meeting called to order at 7:45pm

Minutes for April 18,, 1996 meeting approved as read.
No meeting for May. Lack of quorum

Old Business

Andy West reported that he and Mark Smith met with the selectman concerning the Historic District Welcome signs. A discussion followed concerning the Selectmen ideas of incorporating a slow down message with the sign. A motion was made to not include any reference to speed on the HD sign. Approved 5-2.

A second motion was made by Peter Kraniak to approve the sign as *previously designed with minor type size changes*. Patience Bundschuh seconded, approved unanimously.

John Poor stated that both articles on the warrant for Town Hall and Fire House were approved. He reported that funds to do the work are not currently available.

Peter Kraniak made a motion to inform Selectman that the HDC will provide material and labor to temporarily fix the fire house. Rick Carrier seconded, approved unanimously. Andy West will talk to the Selectman concerning this.

Mark, Smith stated he would print out the necessary letters to get started on the Plaque Letter mailing to the HD. Andy West said he would make copies and distribute.

Andy West stated he had not spoken with Mr. Fisher yet about his interest in becoming an alternate member of the commission. Andy West will talk to him about his interest and how much he will be able to participate. Andy West stated he will start contacting people before the meetings as a ~~reminder~~. *Reminder.*

New Business

Mark Smith announced that Ken and Andrea Lively have purchased and will be moving into the Adams-Burr house. They reported they are very interested in becoming involved with the commission.

An application was presented for the **addition of two white carriage lights to the store front entrance** at the home of **Mark and Gia Smith**. A discussion concerning the appropriateness of white lanterns ensued. It was determined this was not historically accurate. The size and shape of the lantern was okayed so the Smiths agreed to **change the color to black**. They revised their application. John Poor moved to accept, approved unanimously, 6-0 with Mark Smith abstaining. A second item on the application to **add a standard 4" dryer vent to the west side** of their home was presented. Approved unanimously. **Cert.#2-96**

A discussion followed concerning the addition of a Primestar dish to the front lawn of Jason Fortunatos house. John Poor reported that in the past, we had not approved the Swindells/Cheneverts request for a satellite dish. A discussion followed concerning the definition of a dish and our bylaws pertaining to antennas and "similar appurtenances". A motion was made to find out how the MHC handles situations such as this. Approved unanimously. Andy West will check on it.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 pm

Respectfully submitted



Mark D. Smith
Secretary

Mr. Fisher presented an application to do his porch roof. The sample he provided did not match the roof or did he make mention of it in the application. App. returned to Mr. Fisher. A-W will contact him directly.

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Date: April 18, 1996

Attendees: Peter Kraniak, John Poor, George Krasowski, Andy West and Mark Smith

Meeting called to order at 7:42pm

Minutes for March 21, 1996 meeting approved as read.

Old Business

Andy West reported that a **letter concerning the design of the HD District Welcome signs** with a copy of the design of the sign had been sent to the Selectman by Mark Smith

Andy West reported that concerning the bank account for the **plaque fund**, an article was submitted to set up an account with a \$1000 limit for creating plaques for the Historic District. A **revolving account** has been approved.

Andy West stated that 3 HD Paks have been undelivered. The Stantons, Carbonis and Van Gels. Secretary will provide address for Stantons.

John Poor stated that 2 articles have been submitted. The work to be done on the front of the Town Hall and the repair work to be done on the fire house including painting the entire building.

Mark Smith presented a letter he wrote to **Charles Fisher** concerning his input on changes to the HD map and other pertaining information. He presented the revised map as well and also extended an invitation to Mr Fisher to join the HDC as an alternate. Mr. Fisher voiced his interest in becoming a member.

Mark Smith reread the plaque letter. I minor change was agreed upon and Mark will present the final letter next meeting. It was also agreed to announce the plaque program in the newspaper.

New Business

An application was presented for the **removal of the carriage shed** at the home of **Mark and Gia Smith**. John Poor moved to accept, approved unanimously, 6-0 with Mark Smith abstaining. Patience Bundschuh requested several photos be provided to be put on file before demolition. Mark Smith agreed. **Cert.#1-96**

Andy West stated **Jason Fortunato** has some apps coming up. Mark Smith asked if anyone had noticed a new **window on the north side** of his house. No one noticed. Andy West will look at old pictures to see if a change had been made.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm

Respectfully submitted

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark D. Smith". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "M".

Mark D. Smith
Secretary