

Vestal Historic Preservation Commission

Special Meeting August 17, 2021

In Attendance: N. Versaggi, M. Hadsell, P. Deeley, A. Jablonski

Meeting began at 7:00pm

Meeting adjourned: 8:30pm

This meeting was the first annual review of historically designated properties in the Town. Each year the Commission will visit and photograph the properties, keeping a database of photographs documenting condition.

The Commission visited the following properties and made the observations noted:

- Mersereau House
The house is still being used for multiple apartments. No exterior changes observed.
- Drovers Inn
The Inn is being converted from a photographic studio to a boutique inn, called Trailside Inn. An approved patio on the east end, enclosed by a tall picket fence, has been installed.
- Rounds House
No repairs have been done in 2021 and serious deterioration continues with the:
 - Soffit on the south west corner remaining open,
 - Rear porch columns still not restored
 - Peeling paint leaving the siding exposed
 - Roof repair and new shingles not done
 - Chimney not repaired.The Commission has not received any communication from the owner and needs to forward this to the Town Attorney for action.
- Coal Company Building
First floor has new tenant – a bakery shop. Damage done from signs hung by the previous tenant has not been repaired. New Bilco doors have been installed to protect the basement entrance. The Town Museum Director's office is now located on the second floor. A meeting room on the second floor is available for use.
- Cold Spring Farm / LaTourette Farm
The daughter of the previous owner now resides in the house. No exterior changes observed.
- Two Lustron Houses on Parkway E.
Both houses are vacant. Work does not appear to be happening to the yellow Lustron. Some work has been done to the blue Lustron but little can be seen. Two tiles have been removed on the west side of the structure; they are leaning against the wall. Both owners should be contacted.