

# Vestal Historic Preservation Commission

## Minutes: August 24, 2020 Meeting

In Attendance: N. Versaggi, M. Hadsell, A. Jablonski, and M. L. Supa

In Absence: P. Deeley

Meeting called to order at 5:40 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

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Meeting was held outside the Vestal Public Library due to COVID restrictions.

### **Old Business:**

#### **301 N. Main Street (Rounds House)**

Repairs to the property were noted from an in-person inspection by members of the Commission on July 28, 2020. However, there are a number of items, for example roof replacement, which must be addressed in order to protect the structure. The Commission inquired from the owner about the time table for repairs and the owner responded it would be in the Spring of 2021. Town of Vestal Code Department has been advised.

#### **Jones-Roth Farmstead**

A William G. Pomeroy plaque will be placed at the property in the near future. M. Hadsell has been in contact with the heirs to the estate and they are in full support of a local landmark designation. The process for local landmark designation is as follows:

Letter of proposed designation is sent to owner(s)

There will be a public hearing presenting the historic background and significance to the community including a question and answer period.

Before the public meeting, the Vestal Town Board will be notified of the Commission's intent. A notice will be published in the local newspaper, "Town Crier", to inform the public of the upcoming meeting. This is published 60 days prior to the meeting, as per the CLG ordinance.

After the public hearing, weighing all discussion or dissent, the Commission will vote as a committee.

Question remains of how a public hearing will be held during COVID restrictions.

### **Blue Lustron House on Vestal Parkway**

Letter sent to new owner on July 24, 2020 with information to assist in researching the history and care of Lustron houses.

### **Mersereau House on Vestal Road**

Letter sent to real estate agency on July 24, 2020 informing them of the house's designation as a local landmark in 2012.

### **New Business**

#### **Alfred Rounds House, Corner of Jones and Glenwood Road**

Application for a William G. Pomeroy marker to be submitted in February 2021.

#### **Lustron House on Clay Avenue**

Recommending the structure for National Register. This house already has been granted a local landmark status. Photos (interior and exterior) and floor plans need to be included. M. Hadsell and A. Jablonski will work on the research of this property.

#### **African Road**

M. Hadsell has done extensive research about African Road and the early families settled there. The Commission will submit an application to the William G. Pomeroy in February 2021 for two signs to be placed in two different locations along African Road. Text for the signs will be worked on in the coming weeks.

Next meeting scheduled for September 21, 2020