

Minutes of the Town of Vestal Historic Preservation Commission 12 May 2014

Attendees: Margaret Hadsell, Nina Versaggi, Susan Halpern

Absent: Janice Mangan

Old Business:

Rivercrest Status:

All homes in Rivercrest are now owned by North Star. The Commission sent letters to: Julian Adams, Ruth Pierpont, and Kathleen LaFrank to make them aware of the anticipated demolition of this local and SR historic district.

The intact remnant of the Chenango Canal Extension is located at the back of these properties and the Commission would like to protect the canal from being filled in for use as parking space. Support from the NYS Preservation Office or their legal representatives would be appreciated.

Historic Markers:

We expect to hear whether our applications have been accepted by May 20th.

Open Commission Positions:

In addition to contacting Mary Lou Supa to replace Susan Halpern in August, we will also invite Vestal architect, Laura Intscher, to fill the open position of architect.

New Business:

Rounds Co. Company CofA:

James Kabat of Lane Construction submitted a Certificate of Appropriateness to the Commission for making a change to the north elevation door of the Rounds Coal Company building that Mark Mushalla leases from the Town of Vestal.

The Commission contacted town employee James Bukowski who had restored the building to ask him to review the plans. A local architect offered to review the proposed changes also. The Commission was able to expedite the alteration which consisted of a Plexiglas insert in the Dutch door to allow them to sell food through the top portion of the door. The change could not permanently alter the door and had to be easily removable without doing damage. The Commission also approved a sign to be placed on the west elevation of the building. Bukowski inspected the alteration and found it to be in compliance.

CLG Audit by NYS Historic Preservation Office:

Christine Capella-Peters contacted the Commission to set up a day and time to conduct an audit and to attend a Commission meeting. She will meet with Margaret to perform the audit and will attend the June 9th regular meeting.

Next meeting: The Commission will meet on **Monday June 9, 2014** unless otherwise notified.