

Minutes of the Town of Vestal Historic Preservation Commission September 8, 2014 Meeting

Attendees: M. Hadsell, J. Mangan, M. Supa, N. Versaggi

Old Business:

- In July the Commission met briefly to thank Commission member Susan Halpern for her service during the past four years and to wish her well in her new home.
- William G. Pomeroy Foundation Historic Markers
The Chugnut and Rounds House markers, have now been approved and can be ordered.
- Drovers Inn Handicap Access Ramp Replacement
In July the Certificate of Appropriateness for the proposed replacement ramp was reviewed with the contractor by an architect and approved as drawn in the proposal. Due to the necessary slope, the contractor returned in August to obtain approval to move the ramp from the west end of the porch to a position just east of the existing ramp. All other elements remain the same. Construction has not yet commenced.
- The Vestal Town Board approved Mary Lou Supa to complete the term of Susan Halpern. Ms. Supa has agreed to serve for the remainder of this year and a full term beginning in January 2015.
- There has been no further information on the intended use of Rivercrest.

New Business:

- Vestal is participating in the Two Rivers Greenway Project which will consist of six (6) signs along the Rail Trail that provide historic information and point out attractions within one mile of the Susquehanna. M. Hadsell is working with Gary Campo. N. Versaggi is providing Native American information for Greenway signs in several communities.
- 2015 Applications for Historic Markers
Applications for additional markers from the William G. Pomeroy foundation will be due in March 2015. The Commission recommended submitting an application for the Vestal Center United Methodist Church, the D.L. & W. Railroad Bridge that spans the Susquehanna, and the Rounds Coal Company Building.
- Architect Laura Intscher of Vestal has been approached about filling this position on the Commission.
- A representative of Vestal Hills Memorial Park called to inquire whether there were grants to assist them in repairing a statue base and making other building improvements in the cemetery. A contact at Preserve NY and other possible opportunities were provided. It was also mentioned that State and National designation could open up some financial assistance.