

ROXBURY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes - April 21, 2023

- A meeting of the Roxbury Historic Preservation Commission was held at 10am on Friday, April 21, 2023, at the Roxbury Town Hall.
Present: Lewis Wendell – Vice Chairman
Christine O’Shaughnessy
Doug McLaurine
Denise Johnston – Clerk
Absent: Michael Mathis – Chairman
Peg Ellsworth
- The meeting was called to order by Lewis Wendell at 10:06am
- On motion of Doug McLaurine second by Christine O’Shaughnessy, the minutes from January 20, 2023, were approved.
Ayes: 3 (Wendell, O’Shaughnessy, McLaurine)
Nays: 0
- On motion of Doug McLaurine second by Christine O’Shaughnessy, the seven applications listed below were approved as submitted. These applications had been previously deemed no adverse impact or no purview.
Ayes: 3 (Wendell, O’Shaughnessy, McLaurine)
Nays: 0
 1. The application of Columbine Macher located at 2218 County Hwy 41, Roxbury, NY 12474 was approved as submitted on the application. Therefore, a certificate of compatibility was sent.
 2. The application of Jay Gould Church located at 53837 State Hwy 30, Roxbury, NY 12474 was approved as submitted on the application. Therefore, a certificate of compatibility was sent.
 3. The application of The Watershed located at 53470 State Hwy 30, Roxbury, NY 12474 was approved as submitted on the application. Therefore, a certificate of compatibility was sent.
 4. The application of Roxbury Wine and Spirits located at 53484 State Hwy 30, Roxbury, NY 12474 was approved as submitted on the application. Therefore, a certificate of compatibility was sent.
 5. The application of Roxbury Arts Group located at 5025 Vega Mountain Road, Roxbury, NY 12474 was approved as submitted on the application. Therefore, a certificate of compatibility was sent.
 6. The application of Liberal Arts Roxbury located at 53525 State Hwy 30, Roxbury, NY 12474 was approved as submitted on the application. Therefore, a certificate of compatibility was sent.
 7. The application of Roxbury Post Office located at 2375 County Highway 41, Roxbury, NY 12474 was approved as submitted on the application. Therefore, a certificate of compatibility was sent.
- On motion of Doug McLaurine second by Christine O’Shaughnessy, the application of Ben and Mercedes Gruosso located at 92 Spruce Street, Roxbury, NY 12474 was approved for the work as stated on the application. Therefore, a certificate of compatibility form was sent.
Ayes: 3 (Wendell, O’Shaughnessy, McLaurine)
Nays: 0

- Lewis remembered that the committee had decided to ask the town about modifying Section 2 – Subsection F, which refers to The Commission meeting by conference call. They would like to include zoom and online meeting tools. Who is taking responsibility for asking for this modification? It may also be necessary to allow this to get a quorum for a special meeting. Members think it would be beneficial.
- Lewis asked for clarification about residents putting up fences.
- Members discussed streetscaping and acquiring historic street signs. Lewis will ask if grant money is available for street signs, and how do we go about applying for it.
- On motion of Doug McLaurine second by Christine O'Shaughnessy, the meeting was adjourned at 10:25am