

**VILLAGE OF BALLSTON SPA
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
MINUTES- MAY 18, 2023**

Present: Carrie Chapman, John Cromie, Gary Stephenson. Observer: Marilyn Stephenson at the Library Community Room.

Proposed guidelines for Alternative Energy Systems and Siding were reviewed and suggestions made.

The topic was discussed regarding a request for a stop-work order at 25 East High Street for failing to follow the decision of the HDC. It was felt enforcement was the obligation of the building inspector. There was a recommendation that powers of review and investigation could be added to the commission's powers.

A meeting has been set for 8 AM on the 24th to speak with Dave LaFountain about the roles of his department in reference to the HDC and to bring him up to speed on the guidelines.

A meeting is scheduled at the Presbyterian Church at 9:15 Thursday, May 25 to review the application for a handicap ramp.

John was asked to put a requisition in for five copies (one for each position on the commission) and perhaps another for the library of Restoring Your Historic House by Scott Hanson. www.yourhistorichouse.com/shop.

The next meeting will be set for June 15 at 9:15 AM at Steve Springer's home, if he is willing. The early morning time will be more convenient for members and the library will not be open at that time. Gary will be in Wyoming and will have to join in by Zoom. Not being physically present he will not be counted for a quorum.