

TOWN HOUSE ADVISORY GROUP  
MINUTES  
July 25, 2024

Attending: Rockwell Fuller, Chair, Paul Kifner, Overseer, Curt Albee, Vice Chair, Greg Colling, Steve Handy, Sarah Havens

1. The minutes of THAG's June meeting were reviewed and approved.
2. Rocky reviewed the status of various summer projects. The painting of the front and belltower has been completed by the Robert Morgan Company. An excellent job was done. The front of the Town House was scraped, primed and two top coats of paint were applied. Additionally, window sash was taken out, reglazed and painted. Rocky will send a thank you letter to Michael Duke, the proprietor of the company. We have a verbal agreement with him to return next year and paint either the back, or the two sides. Mike Cotroneo has completed the joinery for the new bell carriage. All will be coated with linseed oil paint. Installation of the new bell carriage is scheduled for late August or early September. Jeff Clark is ready to start the wiring upgrade in the tower for the clock including a new motor to lift the clock weights. Upon completion of the wiring, John Echternach will get the clock in the tower running. Future projects were discussed: lightning rods for the Town House, interior painting, activation of the side belltower doors, and painting of the backhouse.
3. Paul reviewed upcoming events: a wedding on Saturday, July 27, George Johnson memorial service August 3, and a memorial service for Mary Louise Pierson sometime in September.
4. Sarah briefly reviewed her progress to date on the legacy/endowment project.
5. Greg provided all with copies of the latest iteration of the Town House Procedures and Rules policy. Greg has added an introduction, reorganized the legal discussion of the cleaning fees and non-resident user fee. Greg to make additional changes.
6. The grounds are looking fairly good thanks to Red Taplin's ongoing efforts. The ash trees behind the TH are scheduled to come down this fall. Rocky to follow up with Green Mountain Power and Eli Mintz. The apple trees behind the Town House will be pruned next winter by Steve and the buckthorn will be removed in the spring of 2025.
7. The kestrel box in the belltower needs to be cleaned out now that this year's chicks have fledged. Next year, VINS is interested in banding the chicks next season.
8. THAG's next meeting will be held on August 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5:30 at the Town House.