

TOWN HOUSE ADVISORY GROUP
MINUTES

April 17, 2025

Attending: Rockwell Fuller, Chair, Paul Kifner, Overseer, Curt Albee, Vice Chair, Steve Handy, and Greg Colling, Tim Bergeron

1. The minutes from THAG's March 19th meeting was reviewed and accepted as corrected.
2. Mike Duke of Robert Morgan Steeplejacks is expected to resume painting in late May. He will either do the back of the Town House or both the East and West sides, depending upon his schedule. The exact date for the tower's new bell frame is up in the air waiting for Mike Cotroneo to indicate when he will be coming. Hopefully soon.
3. The request by the Friends of the Morrill Homestead for reduced fees for use of the Town House for their reading series was discussed. A onetime fee of \$650 for the three events was approved unanimously.
4. The Town House spring cleanup day is scheduled for 4/27 from 10- 1PM
5. Jennings and McComber has agreed to play at our annual fundraiser for June 7 for a fee of \$300
6. Sound equipment will be moved back to the Town House after our spring cleanup
7. The subject of possible new THAG members was briefly discussed. Paul suggested that Justin Rottig might be able to back him up on the sound system for events.
8. Clock repair is an ongoing project. John Ecternach has been corresponding with various clock experts. Rocky will send copies of the correspondence to Greg for his review. It was agreed that we should spend what is necessary to get the clock working properly.
9. The kestrels are in residence in the bell tower's SE corner up near the belfry roof edge and is being monitored by VINS remotely with a wifi enabled camera. They would like to band any chicks produced prior to them fledging as well as the adults if possible. This box that accommodates the kestrels has been in use for around 25 years. It was made by Blake Spencer when he and his crew were replacing the belfry deck back then. Before the box they nested in the eaves where trim boards had come detached.
10. Silas Treadway has been contacted to hook up the pump in the backhouse and to let us know if any of the compost needs to be removed.
11. Sarah Haven's financial report is being finalized and will be distributed to Group members upon her return to Strafford in May.
12. Paul indicated the there is a possibility of having a Jamaican food truck at Tuesday music events on the Common this summer. Paul will take this matter up with the Selectboard.
13. The next meeting of THAG is scheduled for May 19, 2025 at 5:30