

**Historical Preservation Advisory Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
July 21, 2026**

Meeting Called to Order (Time 7:07pm)

Reading of Open Public Meeting Act.

**Members present:** Chairperson Laura Olstein (via phone), Vice Chairperson Jim Roselius (via phone), Dave Wilding, John Cannie, Patty Shragin, Environmental Committee liaison Scott Kruger, Nikki Loveland, Nancy Giacumbo  
**Absent:** , Borough Historian and Corresponding Secretary Tom Kline, Alex Jedd, Council Liaison Ron Reckler  
**Friends:** None  
**Guests:** Lily Piccarillo

Lily Piccarillo (along with Alexa Franklin) wants to update L'Ecole's outdoor spaces for their Girl Scout Silver Award. Would like to focus on the area near the Butternut tree. Would use pollinator friendly plants such as milkweed (for butterflies), cone flowers and perennials. John asked for a list of the plants and a hand-drawn map; would like to have Jed look at it. Motion to approve the project made by John Cannie and seconded by Patty Shragin.

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion to approve the May 19, 2026 minutes made by Nancy Giacumbo and seconded by John Cannie; all in favor, none opposed.

**Maintenance Manual:** Tabled

**Spray the butternut tree again?** Bartlett Tree met with Joe Niosi. Tree has to be sprayed for aphids and fertilized in the fall.

**Old Business:**

**Morris County Historic Preservation Trust (large grant money):** John Cannie: Close to finishing the project. Architect and builder trying to put together final paperwork. Open issues: 1) Dimmers are incompatible; 2) AC's not all working yet. Hold off final payment til resolved.

**Morris County Heritage Commission History Re-Grant Program (small grant money):**  
Laura Olstein-Not participating this year; discuss in the fall.

**Budget:** Tom Kline-Absent; nothing to report.

**Building and Grounds Report:** Japanese knotwood issue-needs to be chopped down annually.

**Friends Report:** Laura Olstein-Participated in re-opening celebration. They have recruited new Friends; there will be a membership meeting shortly.

**John Cannie:** T-shirts for committee members to provide identity? Nikki can design using logo. Notepads good too. Table at K-Fest on 9/26--set up a photo booth for 'faces of Kinnelon'? Have a contest?

**Environmental Committee update:** Scott Kruger-Maps for booth at K-Fest

Scheduled a workshop on August 5<sup>th</sup> 10am at L'Ecole to discuss K-Fest booth. T-shirts will have to be done soon. Also to discuss: 1) Adding photos from senior project to Past Perfect; 2) Duplicate yearbooks, especially from Butler High School.

**Pathways:** Laura Olstein-Next program scheduled for Saturday October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Tom to give Revolutionary Iron lecture. Should make up flyers to hand out at K-Fest booth.

**Nikki Loveland:** 1) Magazines from John Penola/English teacher at high school. 2) Also host a mom/parents' night bi-monthly, pick a topic, Tom can talk? Wine & cheese?

**Research & Collections:** Patty Shragin-Will get together with John on Friday. Kinnelon 'oral' project-need organization and documentation.

**Service Projects:** Laura Olstein-Finished up senior projects. Girl Scout silver award project to finish by September 30th.

**Social Media:** Laura Olstein-Few posts thanking the senior boys for service project. Also posted slide show on museum re-opening.

**Special Programs Report:** Tom Kline-Absent. But about 180 people attended the re-opening. Will give new resident lecture again in the fall.

**Staff Report:** Laura Olstein-Per John, need more oversight into what Michael is doing. Need to be more specific re: projects.

**Technology Report:** John Cannie-Previously discussed.

**Comments from the Borough Historian:** Tom Kline-Absent

**New Business:** None

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, August 18, 2026 – 7:00 pm

**Adjournment:** Time 8:30pm. Motion made to adjourn by John Cannie and seconded by Patty Shragin. All in favor, none opposed.

*At the August 18, 2026 meeting, on a motion by John Cannie and seconded by Dave Wilding and the affirmative voice vote of all members, the July 21, 2026 minutes were approved.*

