

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

Meeting Called to Order (Time 7:09pm)

Reading of Open Public Meeting Act.

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

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the March 17, 2026 minutes made by Tom Kline and seconded by Dave Wilding; all in favor, none opposed.

Maintenance Manual: Tabled for April.

Old Business:

Morris County Historic Preservation Trust (large grant money): Punch list almost completed. Two exhaust fans need to be re-wired; a/c not working.

Morris County Heritage Commission History Re-Grant Program (small grant money):
Laura Olstein-Nothing new to report.

Budget: Tom Kline-nothing new to report.

Building and Grounds Report: Laura Olstein-Tom and John cleaned up garage and anything not necessary was donated. Lawn was mowed.

Friends Report: Laura Olstein-Meeting tomorrow night. John presented his request for purchase of the tablets at last week's workshop. Made payment for brochures.

Pathways: Laura Olstein-Meeting Thursday night. On Sunday May 3rd at 2:00 Tom will give lecture for Pathways tour. Plan to put out sandwich boards as well.

Research & Collections: Patty Shragin-Will continue working on books to put in Past Perfect. Tom and John photographed contents of 'farm' room.

Service Projects: Laura Olstein-High school seniors service project starts 5/18. Submitted projects to the principal; 3 of the 4 have been spoken for.

Social Media: Laura Olstein-Posted scenes from the museum. Getting more followers. Posted about the Pathways lecture on FB and Instagram.

Special Programs Report: Tom Kline-Grand opening date changed to Sunday June 14th. Will give lecture about Kinnelon history for new residents again in the fall. Will schedule Iron lecture again for Pathways in the fall.

Environmental Committee-Would like to partner with historical for a garden theme lecture. Want to be involved with the grand opening/set up a display? Want to have a lecture at L'Ecole on lead and water.

-This Saturday the Garden Club will host a pot luck from 11-2pm at L'Ecole; rain date May 9th.
Laura came up with a form for those who want to use the building along with a waiver-she will email to all for review/feedback.

-Intergenerational prom on Thursday night at the high school. L'Ecole will have a booth.

Staff Report: Laura Olstein-Michael developing a tablet with John. Look into reimbursement for Michael for website two-year service plan. Look into better method to renew going forward.

Technology Report: John Cannie (absent)-John wants to purchase 10 tablets. Is it smart to purchase all at once? Maybe buy one and see how long it takes to program. Maybe try a QR code option? Could use on your own phone and eliminate need to buy multiple tablets.

Comments from the Borough Historian: Tom Kline-1) Jerry Wynn has Morris Kinney and Kinnelon artifacts he wants to donate. 2) Nina Gaglione donated a few Smoke Rise postcards. 3) Don Corbin has been posting a series of photographs on what Fayson Lakes life was like in the '70's. Tom asked if he would like to donate a set of them to the museum. 4) Tom should be made aware when there are donations.

-Patty looking into custom made cookies for the launch party. Maybe use Comfort Café on Boonton Avenue. Use a line drawing of the museum logo? Will look into Mr. Softee truck as well. The Mayor will attend. Environmental will have a book on display. Tom-lecture on History of Open Space in Kinnelon?

Time capsule senior project-display at re-opening event. Be a part of starting a new one? Take photos to record Kinnelon as it is now.

Environmental update: Scott-May 2nd is Clothing Swap at library. Clothes not taken will be donated. May 9th is street clean-up. Meeting at Fitness Club and clearing that section of Kakeout Road. The Club will give out a 3 day pass to anyone who brings them a full bag provided by DPW.

New Business: None

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 19, 2026 – 7:00 pm

Adjournment: Time 8:09pm. Motion made to adjourn by Tom Kline and seconded by Patty Shragin. All in favor, none opposed.

At the May 19, 2026 meeting, on a motion by John Cannie and seconded by Tom Kline and the affirmative voice vote of all members, the April 21, 2026 minutes were approved.

Laura Gates