

Shaker Preservation Committee  
July 21, 2022  
Meeting House, Mt. Lebanon Shaker Society  
Darrow School  
New Lebanon, NY

In attendance; Deb Gordon, Carol Reichert, Monte Walsh, Josh Young, Kyle Kuffle, Andrew Vadnais, Elizabeth Sheffer-Winig.

Absent; Jerome Shereda

- Introductions were made and brief biographies shared.
- Discussion centered around the purpose of the committee. It was agreed that preserving the integrity of the Shaker buildings and grounds in the historic district and the Abode property was paramount and needed to be done in a timely manner.
- Discussion on the overlay of the Shaker property.
- Discussion turned to steps that could be taken for preservation. While there was agreement that the committee's recommendations would be forwarded to the town government, the path forward requires more study and planning.
- Action items:
  - Provide the application for placing the Mount Lebanon Shaker Society property on the National Registry of Historic Sites.
  - Research preservation laws for local governments, especially rural towns.
  - Speak with the representative of the Abode.
  - Speak with Cissy Hernandez to ascertain if there is any action to sell the Abode property.
  - Invite John Dax to be a member of the committee.
- Next meeting August 4 at 1:00 P.M.