

Enfield Heritage Commission July 26, 2018 Minutes

. The Enfield Heritage Commission met on July 26, 2018. Those in attendance: Linda Jones, Celie Aufiero, Suzanne Hinman, Shirley Green, Mary Ann Haagen, and Meredith Smith, Chair. Marjorie Carr was excused. The June minutes were approved as written with one typo correction.

Old Home Days: Linda Jones confirmed that she and Shirley Green will carry the Heritage Commission banner in the Old Home Days Parade. Linda will also have an information table at the Ice Cream Social with a display illustrating the Enfield Center Town House needed repairs.

Mascoma Lakeside Park Update: Meredith gave a brief update on progress with acquiring the two lakefront lots that constitute the Lakeside Park. It is anticipated that a deed will be transferred to the Town sometime in August. She also announced that the Town has received a \$135,000 grant for a pavilion at the park from the Northern Borders Regional Commission. She commented that these grants are awarded for economic development and it was worth noting the Federal Agency has recognized the economic value in parks and open space.

Town House: Meredith reported on the successful public meeting held on July 13 at the Union Church, attended by 25 people, to discuss the Enfield Center Town House. Several suggestions were put forward and everyone seemed in agreement that the Town House was a valuable resource for the Town and must be repaired and put back in use again. Land acquisition or a possible agreement with Mr. Muzzey is also a priority. It was also mentioned that since Kristin Harrington is an alternate on the Heritage Commission and very interested in seeing the Town House repaired, perhaps she could attend some Heritage meetings in the months she isn't tied up with Old Home Days. Also of note from the meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup> was architect Jay Barrett's attendance. Mr. Barrett, a noted historic preservation architect, has offered his services to the Town pro bono for the Town House. Meredith will follow up with Mr. Barrett and arrange a meeting in the near future.

Whitney Hall: Meredith explained the proposed strategy for Whitney Hall repairs and upgrading. The first step will be to apply for an Historic Structures survey, required for LCHIP grants in excess of \$50,000. The survey will involve applying for a Preservation Alliance Historic Structures matching grant. After the survey is done, the Town can proceed with the LCHIP grant which will probably be in the \$200,000 to \$250,000 range. It is anticipated that the Town will apply for the LCHIP grant in 2019.

Certified Local Government Program: Linda brought extensive information about the CLG program. It is apparent that a Design Review Board will need to be established, perhaps as part of the Planning Board. Linda also suggested (from a review of CGL information) that maybe a speaker could be brought in to address all Town Committees to inform them of what a Certified Local Government is and what the advantages would be for Enfield. Meredith will check with NH Historic Resources for a speaker recommendation. She will also reach out to Rebecca Owens, Planner for Lebanon, asking her how the program has worked for Lebanon.

Enfield Shaker Village Scenic Byway: Meredith made a brief report on progress with the Enfield Shaker Village Scenic Byway. Plans are proceeding to extend the Byway both down 4A and to Lockhaven Road to include Crystal Lake. More information is needed on highlights along the extended route.

Enfield Shaker Museum Update: Mary Ann reported that a search for a new Executive Director of the Enfield Shaker Museum is underway.

Respectfully submitted,  
Meredith Smith, Chair

