

Enfield Heritage Commission September 27, 2018 Minutes

The Enfield Heritage Commission met on September 27, 2018 at 4:30 PM in the Whitney Hall Conference Room. Those in attendance were: Marjorie Carr, Mary Ann Haagen, Celie Aufiero, Shirley Green, Linda Jones. And Meredith Smith, Chair. The July minutes were approved as written (*no August minutes due to lack of quorum).

Mascoma Lakeside Park Update: Meredith informed the Commission that there would be a public forum on October 29 to invite the public to give input on what they would like to see at the Lakeside Park in the way of improvements (if any). She then presented a list of questions developed by the MLP Committee to get input from the Commission. All were in favor of some type of traditional style structure such as a gazebo/bandstand.

Town House: The Seven to Save application has been submitted and it is hoped a decision will be made sometime in October. While Seven to Save has no financial impact, it will give a lot of publicity to the building. Meredith mentioned that Jay Barrett has been chosen as the architectural firm to do the Facilities Study. Mr. Barrett is also the architect who is volunteering his services for the Town House rehabilitation plan.

Whitney Hall: Meredith reassured the Commission that with Mr. Barrett working with the Town on the Facilities Study, he would certainly be sympathetic to Whitney Hall renovations and would be very helpful in applying for the large LCHIP grant she anticipates applying for.

Design Review: Linda Jones reported on the Leading Locally: Design Review for Preservation Planning Conference she attended on September 21 and 22 in White River Junction. The information Linda gathered was very helpful as we move towards an application to become a Certified Local Government town. Linda explained the process of setting up a design review board and the benefits it would offer to Enfield. It was suggested that the Commission have a joint meeting with the Planning Board and possibly also, the Conservation Commission, to discuss ways we might work together to create a design review board for Enfield. A Design Review Board is a requirement to become a Certified Local Government town. Linda also mentioned that there are resources available to Enfield in establishing a design review board. She mentioned that Nadine Miller at NH Division of Historic Resources is available to assist us in this effort. Historic New England will also provide information and support. The Commission will reach out to both Ms. Miller and Historic New England for advice.

Enfield Shaker Village Scenic Byway: There will be a meeting of the Enfield Shaker Village Scenic Byway Advisory Board on October 9. It is anticipated that the meeting will finalize the extension of the byway in preparation for submission to NH DOT. Meredith emphasized that this byway will be an important economic development tool for Enfield, encouraging tourism in the Town and supporting local businesses.

The meeting was adjourned at 6PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Meredith Smith, Chair