The meeting of the Enfield Heritage Commission was held via Zoom on January 28, 2021 at 4:30 PM. Those in attendance: Marjorie Carr, Suzanne Hinman, Mary Ann Haagen, Linda Jones, Celie Aufiero, Madeleine Johnson, Shirley Green, and Meredith Smith, Chair. The Director of the Enfield Shaker Museum attended briefly towards the end of the meeting. Meredith was re-elected chair for another year. The December 2020 Minutes were approved as written.

<u>Town House</u>: An extensive discussion of how to move the Town House forward resulted in several suggestions. Meredith will explore the possibility of an LCHIP grant for next year for land acquisition. The Town has a Land Acquisition fund which might be used as a match for a prospective LCHIP grant. Meredith also agreed to contact Interim Town Manager Jack Wozmak and invite him to visit the Town House as soon as possible. Linda Jones confirmed that MLP is still very much interested in a visit to the Town House which hopefully can be done this winter. It was reiterated that an on-going campaign of public awareness and information was also important.

<u>Lakeside Park Update:</u> Meredith informed the Commission of progress at Lakeside Park. Much of the construction has been postponed until spring due to the affects of cold on materials used. She also told the Commission that the Town had received a grant of \$15,000 from the Emily Landecker Foundation, to be put towards the match for the Land and Water Conservation grant which the Town anticipates receiving soon. Meredith also discussed the progress Pattie Fried, Master Gardener Intern, is making towards future landscaping plans. Shirley Green reminded all that the Eastman Foundation will be donating a white spruce tree for the park, ideally to be planted on Earth Day in April.

<u>Duties of Heritage Commission</u>: Meredith stressed the need to clarify the duties and responsibilities of a Heritage Commission. It was suggested that eventually, this might develop into into some type of resolution to be included in the Master Plan. Linda Jones has been working on this and Suzanne Hinman agreed to work with Linda on the project. Education is perhaps the most important activity that the Commission can undertake.

<u>Master Plan</u>: The current work on the Master Plan is of interest to the Commission. Meredith reported that she had sent a tremendous amount of historic information (electronically) to Dolores Struckhoff, the member of the Master Plan Committee working on historical, cultural, and natural areas in the Master Plan. It was suggested that Dolores be invited to join the next Heritage meeting. Meredith will issue the invitation.

<u>Enfield Shaker Village Scenic Byway Update</u>: Meredith reported that she and Rob Taylor had a productive Zoom meeting with Alex Belensz, UVLSRPC. Unfortunately, the Committee that must approve the extension to the Byway was dissolved in 2018 and has not been reassembled. Alex agreed to try and bring some pressure on NH DOT to reassemble the committee. Alex also noted that in many states, the Scenic Byway Program is now under the Travel and Tourism Department. Alex is hopeful this will happen in NH as well.

<u>Mascoma Valley Preservation Update</u>: Linda Jones reported on the activities of MLP and reiterated that they would still like to come and visit the Town House. Linda will try to firm up a date with them.

<u>Enfield Shaker Museum Report</u>: The Museum has multiple on-line activities currently underway. They kicked off what appears to be a successful "take out Sunday Supper" which will begin Sunday, January 31 with over 70 signed up. Another program about to begin is one featuring weather and how the Shakers dealt with various weather "incidents". Pre-registration is required.

The meeting adjourned at 6 PM

Respectfully submitted, Meredith Smith, Chair