

The Enfield Heritage Commission met at the DPW Building on December 8, 2022, at 3:30 PM. Those in attendance: Celie Aufiero, Madeleine Johnson, Suzanne Hinman, Marjorie Carr, Linda Jones, and Meredith Smith, Chair. The October 27, 2022 minutes were approved as written.

Town House: Meredith announced that another \$1000 had been donated to the Enfield Center Town House Trust Fund. The question of how to move the Town House forward as a preservation effort and community resource will be a focus of the Heritage Commission for 2023. Once again, acquisition of the surrounding land will be high priority. It is hoped that with the establishment of the Local Historic District in Enfield Center, there will be a focus on the Town House and Enfield Center. It was also noted that a long-term goal of the Commission will be to work towards a National Historic Register District for Enfield Center.

As the Commission discussed the Town House, it was also noted that the Enfield Historical Society should be encouraged to begin the process of listing the Center Schoolhouse on the National Historic Register, especially since both the Town House and Union Church are already listed on the NHR. The Heritage Commission will assist the Historical Society in this effort, should they decide to move forward with a NHR listing.

Enfield Center Historic Triangle Working Session: Much of the meeting was focused on working towards the presentation for the Planning Board by Linda Jones. Rob Taylor stepped into the meeting briefly to assure the Commission that they were expected to present their request for a Warrant Article at the December 11 Planning Board meeting. There appeared to be some confusion as to best approaches for the Warrant Article. It was decided that using the term "Historic Triangle" added to the confusion and the Commission would simply use the term "Local Historic District". It was also agreed that there would be no mention of Certified Local Government and that any efforts towards CLG would be put off until a later date. All agreed that public education of the benefits of establishing such a district were of utmost importance as we move forward. Any possible perception of negative impacts should be addressed and answered. Regulations for a LHD will be hammered out in a working session, using the Town of Bristol's regulations as a template, and following the advice of NH Historic Resources.

Meeting was adjourned at 5 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Meredith Smith, Chair