

February 23, 2017 Minutes

HERITAGE COMMISSION

The Enfield Heritage Commission met in the Whitney Hall Conference Room on February 23, 2017 at 4:30 PM. Those in attendance were Shirley Green, Marjorie Carr, Celie Aufiero, Suzanne Hinman, Mary Ann Haagen, and Meredith Smith, Chair. The January Minutes were approved as written.

Mooseplate Grant Application

Meredith announced that she has submitted a letter of intent to NH Historic Resources to apply for a Mooseplate Grant for Enfield Center Town House. The grant, if awarded, will be used to address the structural issues that currently prevent the building from being used. All Commission members agreed that applying for the grant was a good idea.

National Register Application

Meredith reported that Andrew Cushing was finalizing the details of the National Register application for the Town House and would be submitting to NH Historic Resources very soon. Once the building is placed on the National Register, it will be eligible for various grants.

Annual Award

Everything is in place for the annual award, to be presented at Town meeting. Celie Aufiero is responsible for getting the plaque made and Meredith will secure the Shaker box.

Enfield Shaker Scenic Byway

The Enfield Shaker Scenic Byway meets monthly and is now preparing an inventory and vision statement to be ready for the next meeting on March 29. The major stumbling block right now seems to be the name of the byway. Some members of the Byway Committee would like to eliminate the word "Enfield" from the name. However, others feel strongly that the major feature of the byway is the Shaker influence. Since there is also a Canterbury Shaker Community, it is important to distinguish between the two. Also, the few remaining Shaker sites are major tourist attractions. More research will be done to determine how the name was selected.

Enfield Shaker Museum Update

The Enfield Shaker Museum will host its annual Shaker forum on April 21 to April 23. A successful school vacation camp is currently being enjoyed by school children ages 9 through 12. The Museum is also hosting all meetings of the Scenic Byway Advisory Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Meredith Smith, Chair