

JANUARY 24, 2013 MINUTES  
ENFIELD HERITAGE COMMISSION

The January meeting of the Enfield Heritage Commission was held in the Whitney Hall Conference Room. Those present were: Marjorie Carr, Mary Ann Haagen, Celie Aufiero, Linda Jones, Shirley Green, Meredith Smith, Chair. The November 2012 minutes were approved as written.

MARKER UPDATE

Mary Ann Haagen reported on her meeting at NH Division of Historic Resources with Mary Kate Ryan and Elizabeth Muzzey in December. Ms. Ryan felt that our proposed wording for the historic marker was still not adequate and lacked enough documentation and footnotes (despite all the additional information Mary Ann had provided). Mary Ann felt that Ms. Ryan has asked for far more extensive research and documentation than we are reasonably able to provide. Meredith mentioned the money that she has encumbered from last year's Heritage budget to be put towards the purchase of a historic marker. Mary Ann suggested making one last stab at applying to the state. A vote was taken and all agreed to allow Mary Ann to make one last try. If this final attempt to satisfy Ms. Ryan does not succeed, the Commission will proceed with plans to purchase a marker independently from NH Historic Resources.

ENFIELD CENTER TOWN HOUSE UPDATE

Meredith Smith reported on the progress with the window re-glazing project and that Enfield DPW will be painting the windows. Steve Schneider assured Meredith that Jim Taylor's crew would paint the re-glazed windows as soon as weather permits. Celie Aufiero described her meeting with Dave's Glass Barn. Dave described the problem of opening the windows at the Town House. Dave will install springs to make the windows stable.

GREELEY HOUSE

Meredith Smith gave a progress report on EVA's Greeley House project. It has yet to be decided whether they will try to comply with the rigorous National Register guidelines.

CAMP EASEMENT PROGRAM

Meredith handed out some information from Roger La Rochelle of Squam Lakes Conservation Commission. She informed the Commission that a meeting is planned with Jeanie McIntyre of the Upper Valley Land Trust very soon to discuss the possibilities of a camp easement program for both Enfield and the Upper Valley. Mary Ann Haagen asked if the town would have to approve such a program and if so, would there not be a lot of opposition due to loss of tax revenue. Shirley pointed out that the town accepts current use and in doing so, receives reduced tax revenue.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Auger house on Lockhaven Road has been bought by a real estate company (Indian River Realty). It is the oldest house in town. Meredith agreed to write a letter to new owners, stressing the historic importance of the house and offering guidance from the Heritage Commission.

Meeting adjourned at 5:45.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Meredith Smith, Chair