

## OCTOBER 24, 2013 MINUTES

### ENFIELD HERITAGE COMMISSION

The Enfield Heritage Commission met in the Whitney Hall Conference Room on October 24, 2013. Those in attendance: Marjorie Carr, Shirley Green, Linda Jones, Meredith Smith, Chair. The September minutes were approved as written.

Meredith Smith reported that the Selectboard has approved the Expendable Old Home Day Trust Fund. This means that funds for Old Home Days can be raised throughout the year and carried over from one year to the next. A discussion of when to begin planning for the 2014 Old Home Days should start. All agreed that planning should begin in January of 2014.

Meredith Smith asked the Commission to begin thinking about a recipient for the annual Preservation Award, to be given at town meeting. A selection will be made in early 2014.

Smith gave an update on progress of work at the Greeley House. She stressed that the project does not involve a penny of public funds or tax payer's money. Work has begun on shoring up the foundation and drainage. It is hoped this work can be completed before winter sets in.

Smith informed the Commission of the up-coming town business summit. She will attend as a voice for historic preservation throughout the town and revitalization of Main Street. Linda Jones will also be attending as an Enfield business owner.

Meredith Smith discussed estimates she has received for painting at the Enfield Center Town House. Estimates have been received from Monmany Painters (in writing) and Don Roberts (verbal with written to follow). The Roberts estimate is considerably less than Monmany. It was also noted that because the building is not residential, it does not have to conform to the lead paint removal regulations. All estimates must be sent to CIP Committee in the next month.

Smith brought up the possibility of reviving plaque program which mark historic buildings on Main Street. This was a cooperative effort with EVA. Marjorie Carr suggested Enfield Center should be included in the program. All agreed. Smith will contact EVA to ask if they might be interested in participating in the program.

Linda Jones raised the issue of forming alliances with organizations in support of Enfield's option for the proposed waterfront park and Main Street re-routing to accommodate the Rail Trail. Smith reminded the Commission that this had been suggested at a Selectboard meeting of September 3 by Paul Mirski. Apparently no effort has been made to date on contacting various organizations that might support Enfield's desired plan. Smith noted that she had contacted the Sailing Club and that they were in full support of the "Enfield Option". Linda Jones said she would be willing to speak to some groups and try to build a consensus of support. Smith encouraged this idea and will try to move forward with it.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45.

Respectfully submitted,

Meredith Smith, Chair