

MINUTES of JUNE 25, 2009

Enfield Heritage Commission

The Enfield Heritage Commission met in the Whitney Hall Conference Room at 5:30 PM on June 25, 2009. Those present were: Suzanne Hinman, Marjorie Carr, Celie Aufiero, and Meredith Smith, Chair. The minutes from the May meeting were approved as written.

Meredith Smith gave an update on her communications with Joyce McKay at the DOT regarding the possible re-use of the railroad bridge stone abutments. McKay has sent the Heritage Commission's request of reusing the stone abutments to Alex Vogt, DOT Project Manager. The Commission had discussed the possible reuse of the stones to face the new rail trail bridge now being proposed. Marjorie Carr and Meredith Smith attended the Selectboard meeting of June 1 to express the Heritage Commission's thoughts regarding the reuse of the stone abutments.

Suzanne Hinman reported that the grant application submitted to the Mascoma Foundation for additional historic markers was turned down due to the overwhelming requests for basic human needs with this round of grants. However, it was also noted that two of the missing signs were as a result of snowplow damage this past winter. Suzanne will request that the town be responsible for replacement of those signs. Smith also noted that there were two markers, which had never been installed. The Copeland Block sign and the Tannery sign await installation. Smith suggested the Copeland Block sign be attached to a pole which could then be attached to the metal fencing.

The Commission welcomed the sale of the Leviston House and anticipated renovation. Smith suggested an historic article be written for the Sunday Valley News, similar to the articles, which have been appearing featuring the history of Norwich and Lebanon. Smith will look into the historical background of the building.

Smith brought up the issue of the EVA town dock which had been discussed at a previous meeting. There was no further information on this so it is assumed that the project has been put on the back burner for the time being.

Smith gave a brief update on the various activities at the Shaker Museum.

The meeting was adjourned at 7 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Meredith Smith, Chair