JANUARY 23, 2014 MINUTES

ENFIELD HERITAGE COMMISSION

The January meeting of the Enfield Heritage Commission was held in the Whitney Hall Conference Room on January 23, 2014. Those in attendance: Celie Aufiero, Shirley Green, Linda Jones, special guest Leigh Davis, and Meredith Smith, Chair. The December Minutes were approved as written.

Linda Jones volunteered to contact Earl Brady regarding the Shaker oval box to be given as the annual preservation award. Celie Aufiero will investigate getting the plaque made which goes inside the box.

Meredith Smith gave an update on progress at the Greeley House; also on the public forum held on January 22. She informed the Commission that the two front rooms of the house are being remodeled to provide a permanent home for EVA and that the work should be completed by spring. She also said that a new approach was being taken to conform with the ADA regulations requiring a wheelchair ramp. After speaking with Peter Michaud at NH Historic Resources, it seemed that the best solution would be an earthen ramp, appearing more as a path than a ramp.

Meredith Smith reported that she has not yet made contact with the new owner of the Langly House/Currier Shop but hoped to do so very soon.

Smith said she had heard nothing from either the CIP Committee or the Town Manager regarding the painting of the Enfield Center Town House windows, following her submission of the requested three estimates. Shirley Green volunteered to check with Doug Pettibone on the painting estimates. In a general discussion of the Town House, Leigh Davis said the church had offered to let the Town House hook up to their septic system.

Smith announced that the first planning meeting for the 2014 Old Home Days will be held on February 5 at 7 PM; Whitney Hall Conference Room. She stressed the need for additional committee members and also for suggestions for possible events and activities.

Smith reported that the requested follow-up information for the historic marker had been sent to Mary Kate Ryan. She invited comments regarding the two locations requested for the marker. The first choice is the area next to the municipal parking area which is also the location of the old Shaker Mill. This would offer the opportunity for motorists to pull off Main Street to read the marker. The second preferred location is the Huse Park fence area, just before the intersection with Route 4. Smith emphasized that it was the DOT who had the final say in the location.

Smith asked the Commission to think about goals for 2014. Celie suggested studying stone foundations and cellar holes in town. The subject will be discussed further at the next meeting.

Smith reminded everyone of the Snowshoe event at the Museum on Saturday.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Meredith Smith, Chair