

## HERITAGE COMMISSION MINUTES

September 28, 2017

The Enfield Heritage Commission met in the Whitney Hall Conference Room at 4:30 PM on September 28, 2017. Those in attendance: Celie Aufiero, Mary Ann Haagen, Shirley Green, Linda Jones. Town Manager Ryan Aylesworth, and Meredith Smith, Chair. The August minutes were approved as written.

Mooseplate Grant: Meredith discussed the Mooseplate Grant which the Town was recently awarded to repair the structural damage to Enfield Center Town House. Ryan informed the Commission that he had sent out a request for proposals to do the necessary work on the building (which must be completed by September of 2018).

Meredith then asked what we should be considering for the Town House after the structural work is completed. Mary Ann Haagen suggested that with all the current Town projects, she would suggest putting the Town House on the back burner for now. All agreed since the goal of the Mooseplate Grant was to stabilize the building from further damage.

Linda Jones agreed to write a press release for the Valley News and a brief article for the Town newsletter covering the news of the Mooseplate Grant.

Master Plan: Meredith brought up the Town's updated Master Plan currently being worked on. She reminded the Commission of her long-term request that historic preservation and Enfield's rich historic past, especially the Shaker heritage, be included in the Master Plan. No conclusion was reached but all felt this should be a part of the Master Plan.

Enfield Shaker Museum Update: Meredith reminded everyone of the up-coming Harvest Festival and Cider Fest and that volunteers were needed. Celie responded that she had not been contacted and would be happy to volunteer.

Mascoma Lakeside Park Update: Meredith informed the Commission of the meeting she, Jim Taylor, and Ryan Aylesworth had with NH DOT Commissioner Victoria Sheehan, the Assistant DOT Commissioner, and Councilor Joe Kenney at the Lakeside Park on the previous Thursday. All were very enthusiastic about the park and Commissioner Sheehan strongly indicated that Enfield will have an opportunity to purchase the two lots once they are declared surplus. She added that the process of declaring the land surplus had already begun and we could expect some type of decision early in the new year.

Mary Ann Haagen suggested that it would be a good idea to somehow coordinate the Fish and Game Conservation Land, the Smith Pond Conservation Easement, and the Lakeside Park, along with the Rail Trail as a way of stimulating walking and outdoor activity. All thought this was an excellent idea.

Other Business: Linda Jones announced she has a surplus of apples which are offered to all who want them. Everyone responded with a "yes"!

The meeting was adjourned at 6 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Meredith Smith, Chair