



State of Vermont
Advisory Council on Historic Preservation
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Vermont Advisory Council on Historic Preservation
June 18, 2020
9:00 a.m. –11:00 a.m.
GoTo Virtual Meeting

Council Participants: Joseph Luneau, Citizen Member
David Skinas, Archaeologist
Britta Tonn, Architectural Historian
Blaine Cliver, Historical Architect
David Donath, Historian (arrived 10:15)

Council Absent: Edward Clark, Chair/Citizen Member
Paul Wyncoop, Vice Chair/Citizen Member

Staff Participants: Caitlin Corkins, Tax Credit and Grant Specialist
Laura Trieschmann, SHPO
Devin Colman, State Architectural Historian
Elizabeth Peebles, Historic Resources Specialist

Guests: Michael Perpall, 72 School Street and 86 Pearl Street, Johnson
Matthew Shoen, VDHP Intern

Meeting opened at 9:23 am.
The meeting was not recorded.

In the absence of the chair and vice-chair, members appointed State Historic Preservation Officer, Laura Trieschmann, to direct the agenda. Roll-call vote with all in favor.

I Welcome

II Changes to the Agenda

- No changes to the Agenda

III Public Comment

- Public Introductions: Michael Perpall for 72 School Street and 86 Pearl Street, Johnson





IV Review/Approve April 23, 2020 Meeting Minutes

- Ms. Tonn made a motion to accept the minutes; motion was seconded by Mr. Cliver.
- Motion passed 4-0.
Rollcall vote
Mr. Skinas: yes
Mr. Cliver: yes
Mr. Luneau: yes
Ms. Tonn: yes

V Notice of State Deaccession of Property and Easement

- **Temperance Reed Cottage, Lyndonville**
Laura Trieschmann introduced the Historic Sites & Structures Survey and Determination of Eligibility resulting from the sale of the Temperance Reed Cottage in Lyndonville. This property is to be sold by Lyndon State College; the prospective owner has agreed to an easement with VDHP to protect the historic significance of this property. The ACHP reviewed the proposed language of the easement. The property will be presented at the July meeting for listing in the State Register.
- Motion made by Mr. Cliver to accept proposed language of the easement for the Temperance Reed Cottage in Lyndonville; seconded by Mr. Skinas.
- Motion passed 4-0
Rollcall vote
Mr. Skinas: yes
Mr. Luneau: yes
Mr. Cliver: yes
Ms. Tonn: yes

VI State Register of Historic Places – Determination of Eligibility

- **32 Lakeside Avenue, Burlington**
Ms. Peebles introduced the property at 32 Lakeside Avenue, which is part of the Blodgett Historic District. The property owners are requesting a determination of eligibility for listing in the State Register of Historic Places. Notification was made to the Winooski Historical Society, Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission, Preservation Burlington, property owners, and municipalities.

Ms. Peebles recommended the building was a contributing resource to the Blodgett Historic District for the State Register.
- Motion made by Mr. Cliver to accept staff recommendation that 32 Lakeside Avenue is a contributing resource to the Blodgett State Register Historic District; seconded by Mr. Luneau.



- Motion passed 4-0
Rollcall vote
Mr. Skinas: yes
Mr. Luneau: yes
Mr. Cliver: yes
Ms. Tonn: yes
- **72 School Street, Johnson**
Ms. Peebles introduced the property at 72 School Street in Johnson. This determination of eligibility for listing in the State Register of Historic Places is to inform an upcoming Act 250 applications. Notification was made to the Lamoille County Regional Planning Commission, Johnson Historical Society, property owners (Vermont Studio Center), and municipalities. In 2016, UVM-CAP prepared a Historic Resource review document as part of the VSC master plan. The report recommended this property was not eligible for the State Register.

Ms. Peebles recommended the main house and barn/garage are not eligible for individual listing in the State Register due to a lack of significance.
- Motion made by Ms. Tonn to accept staff recommendation that 72 School Street is not individually eligible for the Vermont State Register; seconded by Mr. Skinas.
- Motion passed 4-0
Rollcall vote
Mr. Skinas: yes
Mr. Luneau: yes
Mr. Cliver: yes
Ms. Tonn: yes
- **86 Pearl Street, Johnson**
Ms. Peebles introduced the property at 86 Pearl Street in Johnson. This determination of eligibility for listing in the State Register of Historic Places is to inform an upcoming Act 250 applications. Notification was made to the Lamoille County Regional Planning Commission, Johnson Historical Society, property owners (Vermont Studio Center), and municipalities. In 2016, UVM-CAP prepared a Historic Resource review document as part of the VSC master plan. The report recommended this property was not eligible for the State Register due to a loss of integrity.

Discussion focused on the historic significance of this property as one of the oldest resources in Johnson, alterations made to the dwelling since originally constructed, and the application of Criterion A rather than



Criterion C. Mr. Perpall, architect with Cushman Design Group, Inc. working on the master planning, spoke in support of the documentation provided by UVM-CAP.

Ms. Peebles recommended the main house is not eligible for individual listing in the State Register due to a lack of integrity.

- Motion made by Mr. Cliver to accept staff recommendation that 86 Pearl Street is not individually eligible for the Vermont State Register; seconded by Ms. Tonn.
- Motion failed 2-2
Rollcall vote
Mr. Skinas: yes
Mr. Luneau: no
Mr. Cliver: no
Ms. Tonn: yes
- Determination of eligibility review postponed for further discussion; placed on July agenda.

VII Barn Preservation Grants: In-town Carriage Barns

- Ms. Corkins continued the discussion regarding the eligibility of in-town carriage barns for the Barn Preservation Grants. She shared research regarding the inclusion of in-town carriage barns used as garages or housing for horses/carriages/automobiles and not for agricultural use on a farm, including the original statute creating the grant program and interviews with the SHPO staff initially charged with overseeing the program. Ms. Cliver offered to put together a presentation on the types of in-town resources that should be considered for eligibility within this grant program.

VIII SHPO Report

Laura V. Trieschmann reported:

- Historic Preservation Fund Grant application for federal fiscal year 2020 was approved and funds received.
- Site visits for project review, nominations, grants, and tax credits remain limited. We have not set direction on a return to the National Life offices, but all are working well at home.
- Historic Sites open the weekend of July 1. This includes limited access at Bennington Battle Monument, Senator Morrill Homestead, Chimney Point, and President Coolidge Site. Hubbardton Battlefield and Mount Independence will be open as normal. Underwater Historic Preserves and the Vermont Historical Society shall also open on July 1.
- Roadside Historic Site Markers are under scrutiny for wording or topics related to current events. All 280 markers will be reviewed by an internal team to include a member of the VCNA, ACHP (David Skinas volunteered), and other relevant groups yet to be determined.



Markers that have questionable text or topics will be referred to the Governor's Racial Equity Task Force. All new markers are on hold as the number of applications submitted is expected to expend all available funds if all are approved. Part of the available funds shall be set aside for the removal markers as part of the task force review.

- Grant is being executed with Preservation Trust of Vermont to partner on an energy efficiency study that will result in a coordinated message and teaching among Efficiency Vermont, UVM engineering and preservation programs, PTV, SHPO and others.
- Capital Bill expected to pass this week. It continues to include an additional \$100,000 for the mitigation related to the failure of the embankment along the Native American Cemetery on Monument Road in Highgate; a statement that restricts the use of the underwater preserves for any new sites; transfer of all Historic Sites Major Maintenance funds (\$250,000) directly to ACCD; \$25,000 for underwater preserves and roadside historic site markers; and \$200,000 each for the Barn Preservation and Historic Preservation Grants.
- Drafts of the programmatic agreement as it is edited shall be shared with members of the ACHP. Comments should be directly sent to SHPO. Please do not hit reply all.

IX New Business

- Meeting Schedule
 - July 23, 2020
 - No August meeting
 - September 24, 2020
 - October 20, 2020
- Announcements
 - No announcements

XI Adjourn

- Adjourned at 11:08
Motion passed 5-0
Rollcall vote
Mr. Skinas: yes
Mr. Donath: yes
Mr. Luneau: yes
Mr. Cliver: yes
Ms. Tonn: yes