



State of Vermont  
Advisory Council on Historic Preservation  
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**Draft Minutes to be approved February 23, 2023**  
**Vermont Advisory Council on Historic Preservation**  
**January 19, 2023**  
9:14 a.m. –11:53 a.m.  
One National Life Drive, Davis Bldg. Floor 6  
Snowflake Conference Room  
and virtual via  
Microsoft Teams Meetings

**Council Participants:** Edward Clark, Chair/Citizen Member  
Paul Wyncoop, Vice Chair/Citizen Member (left meeting at 11:00 AM)  
David Skinas, Archaeologist  
Britta Tonn, Architectural Historian  
Joseph Luneau, Citizen Member  
Ann Vivian, Architect

**Council Absent:** Historian Chair (vacant)

**Staff Participants:** Laura V. Trieschmann, SHPO  
Devin Colman, State Architectural Historian  
Cynthia Davis, Administrative Coordinator  
Elizabeth Peebles, Historic Resources Specialist  
Greg Socinski, Historic Resources Specialist

**Guest Participants:** Ryan Baker Dunn, Agency of Natural Resources—Forest Parks and Recreation  
Frank Spaulding, Agency of Natural Resources—Forest Parks and Recreation  
Barbara Bosworth, East Monkton Church  
Candace Polzella, East Monkton Church  
Mary O’Neil, City of Burlington  
Sharon Bushor, Burlington Resident  
Nicholas Smith, SD Ireland Companies  
Scott Newman, 106 Associates

Mr. Clark opened the meeting at 9:14 a.m.  
The meeting was not recorded.

**I Welcome**

**II Changes to the Agenda**

- No changes to the agenda

**III Public Comment**

- No public comment





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#### **IV Review/Approve December 15, 2022, Meeting Minutes**

- Mr. Skinas made a motion to approve the December 15, 2022, meeting minutes. Ms. Tonn seconded the motion.  
Motion approved 6-0  
Roll call vote  
Mr. Luneau: Yes  
Mr. Skinas: Yes  
Ms. Tonn: Yes  
Mr. Wyncoop: Yes  
Ms. Vivian: Yes  
Mr. Clark: Yes

#### **V. North Hero State Park – Forest Parks and Recreation**

- Ms. Peebles introduced Mr. Baker Dunn and provided information about the proposed conversion of North Hero State Park from an overnight campground facility to a day-use facility. Based on the historic resource evaluation report prepared by 106 Associates, and in consultation with FPR staff, the VDHP Project Review team has determined that the proposed project will have an adverse effect on historic resources. FPR is proposing to mitigate the adverse effect with onsite interpretive panels; the preparation of a Historic Resources Documentation Package; and the preparation of a Multiple Property Documentation Form (MPDF) for mid-century modern resources in the Vermont State Park system. A new National Register nomination for a mid-century modern Vermont State Park will accompany the MPDF. VDHP Project Review staff recommends that the mitigation is appropriate and will be a great asset for future project plans as well. An archaeological assessment is pending in the coming months.

Mr. Skinas asked for clarification on the status of the archaeological assessment for the property, and Ms. Peebles explained that the archaeological investigations will be forthcoming this spring.

Ms. Tonn made a motion to concur with the proposed mitigation for the Adverse Effect on North Hero State Park is appropriate. Mr. Skinas seconded the motion.

Motion approved 6-0  
Roll call vote  
Mr. Luneau: Yes  
Mr. Skinas: Yes  
Ms. Tonn: Yes  
Mr. Wyncoop: Yes  
Ms. Vivian: Yes  
Mr. Clark: Yes



## VI State Register of Historic Places

- **284 Grove Street, Burlington, Chittenden County**

Mr. Colman presented the re-evaluation of eligibility for the State Register of Historic Places. The request for re-evaluation was made by Nick Smith, PE, on behalf of Ireland Grove Street Properties, the owner of the property. The documentation was researched and written by Scott Newman/106 Associates. Mr. Colman visited the site on January 18, 2023, for an interior and exterior evaluation of the historic integrity of the building.

Notification letters were sent on December 19, 2022, to: Nick Smith and Ireland Grove Street properties, owner; Miro Weinberger, Burlington City Mayor; Mary O'Neil, Burlington CLG Coordinator; Charlie Baker, RPC; Scott Newman/106 Associates, Consultant; Preservation Burlington and Old East End Neighborhood Coalition. Comments were submitted by Julia Curry, resident, and Mary O'Neil, CLG Coordinator, for review.

In 1995 VDHP issued an Act 250 comment letter stating, "the house appears eligible for the State Register of Historic Places." Ms. O'Neil and Ms. Bushor stated that they believed the house was listed in the State Register; VDHP confirmed it is not.

Mr. Colman discussed the evaluation of historic significance under Criteria A, B, and C. The property does not demonstrate significance under Criteria A or B. Under Criterion C there is potential architectural significance, but the property lacks sufficient integrity to convey this significance. Changes to the property affecting historic integrity are detailed in Mr. Newman's report and were confirmed on the site visit. Eligibility under Criterion D will be evaluated by VDHP archaeology staff at a later date.

Ms. O'Neil and Ms. Bushor stated that they were opposed to the proposed demolition. Mr. Colman clarified for the Council that the future of the property was not relevant for the re-evaluation.

VDHP recommended that the Willard House at 284 Grove Street does not meet the State Register Criteria for Evaluation and is not eligible for listing in the State Register of Historic Places.

Mr. Luneau made a motion that the Willard House at 284 Grove Street meets the State Register for Evaluation and is eligible for listing in the State Register of Historic Places. Ms. Tonn seconded the motion.

Motion failed 5-1

Roll call vote

Mr. Luneau: No

Mr. Skinas: No

Ms. Tonn: No



Mr. Wyncoop: No  
Ms. Vivian: Yes  
Mr. Clark: No

## **VII National Register of Historic Places**

- **East Monkton Church, 405 Church Road, Monkton, Addison County**

Mr. Colman provided the nomination background and details for the East Monkton Church, 405 Church Road, Monkton, Addison County. The request was made by the East Monkton Church Association, Inc. The nomination was researched and written by Barbara Bosworth.

Notification letters were sent on December 19, 2022, to: East Monkton Church Association, Inc., owner; Stephen Pilcher, Selectboard; Adam Lougee, Addison County Regional Planning Commission. No formal objections to the nomination were submitted.

The property was nominated under Criterion A: Social History and Criterion C: Architecture. It meets Criteria Consideration A: Religious Properties. Period of Significance 1866-c. 1960. Level of Significance: Local.

Mr. Wyncoop made a motion that the nomination for the East Monkton Church meets the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and a recommendation that the State Historic Preservation Officer approve the nomination. Ms. Vivian seconded the motion.

Motion approved 6-0

Roll call vote

Mr. Luneau: Yes

Mr. Skinas: Yes

Ms. Tonn: Yes

Mr. Wyncoop: Yes

Ms. Vivian: Yes

Mr. Clark: Yes

## **VIII 2023 Certified Local Government Grant Application Awards**

- Mr. Colman presented the Round I Application Summaries for the Certified Local Government Grant Program and noted available award funding shall be approximately \$79,126. Seven grant applications were submitted with a total request of \$56,905. The remaining \$22,221 available will be awarded in a second application round. The CLG grant project period has been extended by the National Park Service from two years to three years. The grant period is October 1, 2022 – September 30, 2025.

Mr. Colman presented the applications from Brandon, Hartford, Montpelier, Norwich, Rockingham, Stowe, and Windsor.





Ms. Tonn made a motion in consideration of the presentation, staff recommendation, and project applications for the Council to fund the CLG grant applications as recommend by Mr. Colman. Mr. Luneau seconded the motion.

Motion approved 5-0

Roll call vote

Mr. Luneau: Yes

Mr. Skinas: Yes

Ms. Tonn: Yes

Mr. Wyncoop: Absent

Ms. Vivian: Yes

Mr. Clark: Yes

## **IX Roadside Historic Site Markers**

- **Annette W. Parmelee**

Ms. Trieschmann presented the text and background for the Annette W. Parmelee marker at 9 Orchard Street, Enosburg Falls. The applicant is Vermont Suffrage Centennial Alliance. The marker will be part of the National Votes for Women Trail. The current property owner supports placement of the marker.

- **West Enosburg United Methodist Church**

Ms. Trieschmann presented the text and location for the West Enosburg United Methodist Church marker at the building's former site on 1725 Tyler Branch Road. The applicant is West Enosburgh United Methodist Church Memorial Committee and the Enosburgh Historical Society. The new owner of the property supports placement of the marker.

- Mr. Luneau made a motion to approve the Annette W. Parmelee Marker and the West Enosburg Untied Methodist Church Marker. Mr. Skinas second the motion.

Motion approved 5-0

Roll call vote

Mr. Luneau: Yes

Mr. Skinas: Yes

Ms. Tonn: Yes

Mr. Wyncoop: Absent

Ms. Vivian: Yes

Mr. Clark: Yes

## **X Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment Exemption**

Ms. Trieschmann presented information on the proposed exemption for Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment for 22 V.S.A project review. The language of the exemption for Section 106, approved by October 2022 by the federal Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, served as the model for the Vermont exemption under 22 V.S.A. Any EV project that



would largely affect a historic property or archeological site would not be covered under the exemption.

Mr. Skinas questioned the language of 1. “no major electrical infrastructure modifications” and how to determine what is major and minor. Ms. Trieschmann advised the language is taken from the Section 106 version but will clarify the language of “no major modification” in the state exemption.

Mr. Luneau made a motion that the SHPO and Advisory Council execute the approval of the Vermont Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment Exemption. Mr. Wyncoop seconded the motion.

Motion approved 6-0

Roll call vote

Mr. Luneau: Yes

Mr. Skinas: Yes

Ms. Tonn: Yes

Mr. Wyncoop: Yes

Ms. Vivian: Yes

Mr. Clark: Yes

## **XI SHPO Report**

- Ms. Trieschmann announced the Vermont State Plan for 2023-2029 was accepted by the National Park Service and is now in the hands of the Chief Marketing Officer for design and layout. The draft text will be provided to the Council.
- End of year reporting for three years of our Historic Preservation Fund grants are being finalized now. This fund supports 60% of the federal activities of the SHPO office. The final documentation will be shared with the Council and on the agenda for the March annual meeting. The FFY24 funding will be \$693,085, an increase of \$31,192.
- Testifying before the Vermont General Assembly has begun in Senate Institutions with a presentation about Historic Sites Major Maintenance needs.
- SHPO has commenced conversations with Federal Highway Administration and VTrans to edit the current programmatic agreement that expires June 2023. SHPO is recommending a five-year agreement; it is now two years. Conversations have also begun with the Agency of Natural Resource for wastewater and clean water to streamline and clarify reviews.
- Victoria Anderson accepted the position as Historic Sites Section Chief; she will start February 1.

## **XII New Business**

- a. Ms. Trieschmann is working to fill the Council’s vacant Historian seat.
- b. Meeting Schedule
  - February 23, 2023 – Barn Grants
  - March 23, 2023 – Annual Meeting





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### **XIII Adjourn**

- Mr. Luneau made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Skinas seconded the motion.
- Meeting adjourned 11:53AM