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State of Vermont  
Advisory Council on Historic Preservation  
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**Draft Minutes to be approved July 21, 2022**  
**Vermont Advisory Council on Historic Preservation**  
**May 19, 2022**

9:30 a.m. –11:30 a.m.

In-person meeting at:  
Middlebury Town Office

77 Main Street, Middlebury, VT

Virtual:

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**Council Participants:** Edward Clark, Chair/Citizen Member  
David Skinas, Archaeologist  
Britta Tonn, Architectural Historian  
Ann Vivian, Architect  
Joseph Luneau, Citizen Member

**Council Absent:** David Donath, Historian  
Paul Wyncoop, Vice Chair/Citizen Member

**Staff Participants:** Laura Trieschmann, SHPO  
Devin Colman, State Historical Architect  
Cynthia Davis, Administrative Coordinator  
Elizabeth Peebles, Historic Resources Specialist-Architecture

**Guests:** Jim Gish, Town of Middlebury  
Don Monroe  
Judith Williams Ehrlich, VTrans  
Matt Shoen, VHB consultant  
Glenn Andres, former ACHP member and Middlebury resident  
Alice White, Middlebury resident  
Scott Newman, 106 Associates consultant  
Ann LaFaidre, Middlebury resident

Mr. Clark opened the meeting at 9:37 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 April 21, 2022, Meeting Minutes**

Mr. Luneau made motion to accept the minutes; motion was seconded by Ms. Vivian.  
Motion passed 5-0

#### **V National Register of Historic Places**

- **Middlebury Village Historic District (2022 Additional documentation & Boundary Increase). Middlebury, Addison County**

Mr. Colman presented the additional documentation updating the original 1976 National Register nomination, and its amendments in 1980 and 2001, as well as the boundary increase of additional areas for inclusion within the historic district of Middlebury Village. The nomination was researched and written by VHP staff Britta Tonn, Kaitlin O'Shea, and Matt Shoen. Notification letters were sent on April 19, 2022, to all property owners within the Boundary Increase areas, Middlebury Selectboard, and Addison County Regional Planning Commission. General notice was sent to community members via local listserv. No formal objections were submitted for consideration by ACHP.

Mr. Luneau made a motion that the Additional Documentation and the Boundary Increase for the Middlebury Village Historic District meets the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and a recommendation that the State Historic Preservation Officer approve the nomination. Mr. Skinas seconded the motion.  
Ms. Tonn recused.  
Motion passed 4-0

#### **VI. State Register of Historic Places**

- **Fells Barn & Related Resources, 3412 Quechee Main Street, Hartford, Windsor County**

Mr. Colman presented the Determination of Eligibility, requested by Ken Lallier, on behalf of The Quechee Club —the property owner—for Fells Barn & Related Resources, 3412 Quechee Main Street, Hartford, Windsor County. The Determination of Eligibility is related to an Act 250 permit application. The VARI form was researched and written by Scott Newman/106 Associates. Notification letters were sent on April 27, 2022, to owner/applicant; consultant; Selectboard, Town of Hartford; Two Rivers-Ottawaquechee Regional Commission; and Hartford Historical Society. No comments were submitted for consideration by ACHP. Related resources to the Fells Barn include a Fertilizer Barn, the Ski Hill Base Lodge, and the Tennis Pro Shop. The Fertilizer Barn contributes to the significance of the Fells Barn, whereas the Ski Hill Base Lodge and the Tennis Pro Shop do not due to lack of integrity.



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Ms. Vivian made a motion that the documentation for the Fells Barn and Fertilizer Barn meets the State Register Criteria for Evaluation and, therefore, is eligible for listing in the State Register of Historic Places. Mr. Luneau seconded the motion.  
Motion passed 5-0

○ **Vermont Park, Burlington**

Mr. Colman presented the Determination of Eligibility requested by Benjamin Avery, Black Rock Construction. The Determination of Eligibility is related to an Act 250 permit application. Historic documentation was compiled by VDHP staff. Notification letters were sent on April 29, 2022, to Black Rock Construction; Mayor of Burlington; Burlington CLG Coordinator; Regional Planning Commission; and the property owners. No comments were submitted for consideration by ACHP.

Mr. Luneau made a motion that the documentation for Vermont Park meets the State Register Criteria for Evaluation and, therefore, is eligible for listing in the State Register of Historic Places. Ms. Vivian seconded the motion.

Ms. Tonn recused  
Motion failed 0-4

## **VII Roadside Historic Site Markers**

- Ms. Trieschmann presented the proposed text and location for the Boyrereau Brinch “Jeffrey Brace” Roadside Historic Site Marker. The applicant is Fr. Senator Carolyn Branagan. The marker meets Criterion 1: associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.

Ms. Vivian made a motion to accept the marker with minor edits. Mr. Skinas seconded the motion.  
Motion passed 5-0

## **VIII SHPO Report**

- Ms. Trieschmann reported on the following:
- The end of the 2022 Legislative Session, with the \$333,000 increase to the Historic Sites Major Maintenance and level funding for all VDHP grants. An additional \$150,000 of funds were grant to the Town of New Haven for the preparation work required to relocate the depot. ARPA funds were approved for a limited service Project Review Architectural Historian to aid in revies that have increased 30% during Covid and the subsequent federal funding.
  - Historic Preservation Fund Grant application was submitted to the National Park Service for the federal fiscal year 2022 funds of \$661,893. End-of-year reporting accepted for FFY2020 and 2021.
  - Reinterment of War of 1812 soldiers set for June 4 in Burlington.



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- Historic Preservation and Downtown conference is June 9 in St. Johnsbury.
  - Historic Sites open May 28.
  - SHPO working diligently on the new State Plan, which is due to the National Park Service by early August.
  - Rehabilitation Investment Tax Credit staff visiting Vermont May 23 and 24.

## **IX New Business**

- Meeting Schedule
  - June Preservation and Downtown Conference (St. Johnsbury)
  - July 21, 2022 (National Register review)
  - September 22, 2022
  - October 20, 2022 (National Register review)
  - November 17, 2022
  - December 15, 2022 (Historic Preservation grants)

## **X Adjourn at 11:30AM**

Mr. Luneau made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Vivian seconded the motion.