



Smyth Memorial Building Renovation Plan

Information Session

November 8, 2012

Candia Heritage Commission



Welcome & Introduction

Diane Philbrick, Chair
Candia Heritage Commission

Overview of Tonight's Presentation

Building History & Project Background

Proposed Renovation Project

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Background

Smyth Memorial Building

A gift from the estate of New Hampshire Governor and Candia native Frederick Smyth.

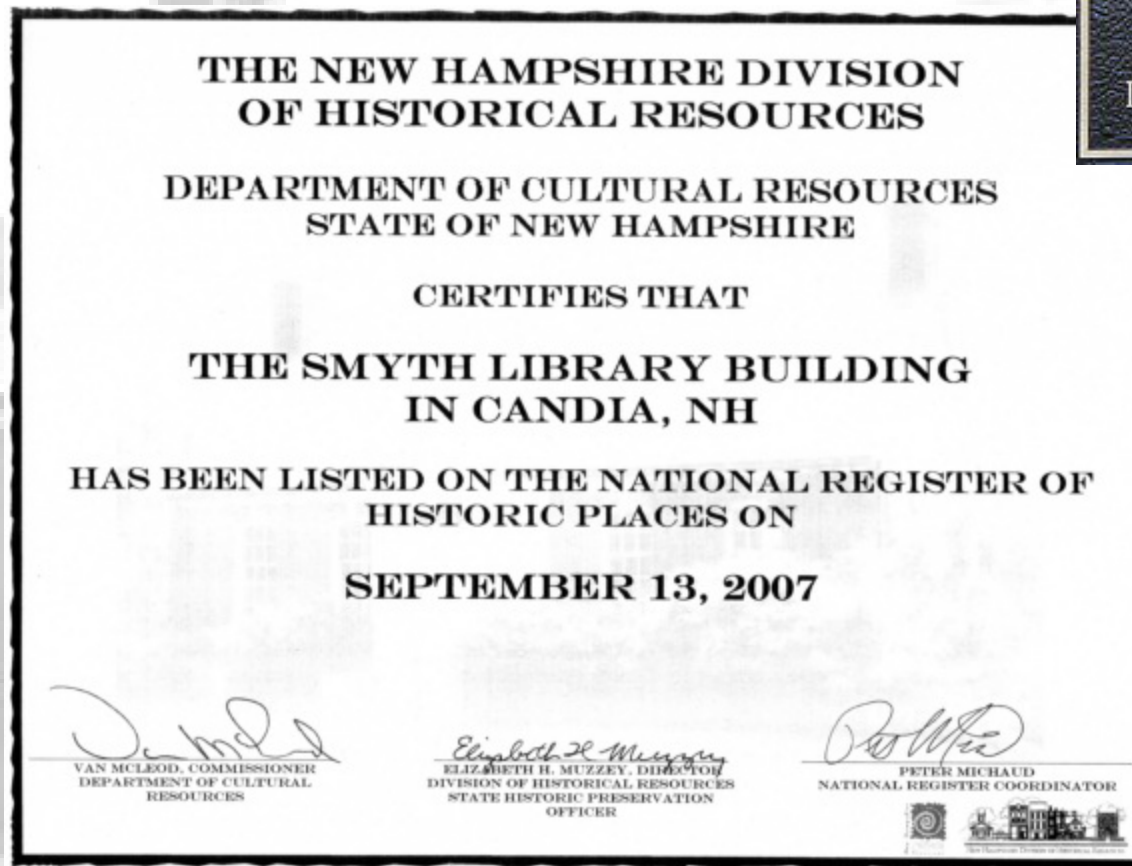
1932-2002 - Served as town library and vacated when the new library was built.

2007 -- Smyth Memorial Building added to the New Hampshire and National Register of Historic Places, the only such designation in Candia.

2010 -- Candia Heritage Commission begins planning for possible renovation of the Smyth Memorial Building.



Smyth Memorial Library is listed on the National Register of Historic Places



The Goal

Transforming Smyth Memorial Building into a community meeting place, returning it to public use.

A site for organizational meetings, speakers, demonstrations, recitals, gatherings...A place to display Candia town memorabilia...A premier showcase for town gatherings.



Commission work to date

A Scope of Work document was created with information/input from:

New Hampshire Preservation Alliance

New Hampshire Division of Historical Resources

Town Building Inspector Bill Hallock



New Hampshire Division of
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RESOURCES**



Consulting architect Richard Monahon was hired to create a report on which to base project bids.

The Consultant's Report addressed preservation needs, public use of building, and limited financial resources. It included architectural plans and construction specifications.

Commission work to date

Project bids were formulated and sent to area contractors, with four companies bidding the project. Received bids from three companies ranged from \$230,000 to \$189,000.

The Commission met with the lowest bidder and through negotiation and careful review of project specs, succeeded in reducing the bid by an additional \$45,000.

Final projected cost (approx): \$150,000





Smyth Memorial Building Proposed Renovation Plan

**James Bruss
Bruss Construction
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Next Steps



Funding Options

Town Meeting Warrant Article

Grants

Private donations

Loan

Additional Cost-Savings

- Potential availability of 2012 town funds for well/septic work (cost-savings = \$13,500)
- Use of town volunteers for basic prep work (additional \$\$ savings)
- Identifying local tradesmen (painters, carpenters, etc.) to be considered by project contractor for subcontracted work
- Sale of existing furniture, other



Q & A