

Questions call: 617-727-8470

A hand-drawn map of the town of Athol, Massachusetts. The map is oriented with North at the top, indicated by an arrow and the letter 'N'. A dashed line represents the town boundary. The main street is labeled 'Main St.' and runs horizontally across the center. To the left, 'E. Fitzwilliam Rd.' branches off to the left, and 'No. Fitzwilliam Rd.' branches off to the bottom-left. To the right, 'Rte 68' branches off to the top-right, and 'Athol Rd.' branches off to the bottom-right. A 'Town Dump Rd.' is also shown on the far right. Landmarks marked with squares include the 'Library', 'Common', 'City Church', and 'Town Hall'. A cluster of squares on the left is circled, with a line pointing to a question mark '?' below the map. The map is titled 'Athol, Mass.' in the top right corner.

The Massachusetts Historical Commission will accept written comments concerning the district's significance until thirty days from posting or March 26, 1976. Questions about the National Register may be directed to ~~either~~ the Massachusetts Historical Commission (617-727-8470), or to the ~~Secretary~~

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PROPOSED NATIONAL REGISTER NOMINATION

Date February 27, 1976

To John Poor, Royalston Historic District Study Committee

From Massachusetts Historical Commission

Subject National Register of Historic Places

District Royalston Common Historic District

In accordance with Federal regulations, property owners within a potential National Register district must be informed of the proposed nomination and be allowed to comment on the significance of properties within the district.

To that end, the Massachusetts Historical Commission has mailed to the chief executive of your city or town the enclosed notice of National Register consideration and requested that the notice be posted for a period of 30 days in the municipal building. Likewise, we request that you post the attached notice in the local public library and, if available, in a public building located within the proposed district for a period of 30 days.

In order to determine whether the notice has been posted in the city or town hall, we request that you check the building to confirm presence of the notice.

Thank you for your cooperation in this aspect of the nomination procedure.



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March 23, 1976

Mr. John L. Poor, Chairman
Royalston Historic District Study Committee
Box 85
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Dear Mr. Poor:

Thank you for your letter of March 15, regarding the proposed Royalston Common Historic District National Register nomination. The map which was sent to you contains the boundaries which this office determined would be the boundaries of the National Register District. These boundaries have to be determined by our Commission staff, it is not a local decision. As is often the case the boundaries of the local historic district will differ from the National Register district. We will therefore proceed with the National Register nomination as outlined in the map we sent you, and will notify you when we receive word of the district's acceptance by the National Register.

We certainly understand the difficulties ~~that~~ arise in trying to establish a local historic district. If there is anything we can do to help you in this effort please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely yours,

Christine Boulding

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