

## **ALGONQUIN HISTORIC COMMISSION**

### **MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING**

**SEPTEMBER 14, 2022 , 7:00 PM**

**Held at Historic Village Hall – 2 South Main Street – Algonquin**

#### **CALL TO ORDER – ESTABLISH QUORUM**

Present: Chairman Jolitz and Members Donahue, Himes, Lewis, and Thompson.

#### **APPROVE MINUTES OF REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF AUGUST 10, 2022 AND WORKSHOP MEETINGS OF AUGUST 20 AND 27, 2022**

Moved Member Dombrowski; Seconded Member Himes. Voice Vote: All Ayes. Minutes Approved.

#### **AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION – PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Chairman Jolitz and Member Donahue reported on the status of the new exhibit, of some of the products “Made in Algonquin” during a period from about 1900 to 1960, now installed in the Display Case at the Main Library on Harnish Drive. And member Donahue advised the positive reactions to the new exhibit relayed to her by Library personnel. Chairman Jolitz also reported that a framed historic photo of the old Iron Truss Bridge over the river at the dam, and a framed Antique Map of Algonquin from 1890’s from the walls of the second-floor meeting room were borrowed by Village President Debbie Sosine on 09/04, and loaned out for use in an exhibit at a McHenry County group in which Jason Shallcross is participating. She said Jason will return the 2 items to the Commission within a couple weeks.

Chairman Jolitz also relayed an update from Member Wyskochil on the status of efforts to post historic information and photos on the Village Website and social media sites, including planned postings already prepared thus far, enough to start this month and run through January 5, 2023, selected from subjects of historical information on Algonquin that were written by Chairman Jolitz a number of years ago, and recently updated by Member Wyskochil. Chairman Jolitz reported that the Commission’s email account is now functioning again, and on responses to outstanding emails, including an inquiry from the Pastor of St. Matthew’s Lutheran Church in Barrington regarding the history of its original church building which was moved from Algonquin in 1934 (originally it was the Free Methodist Church, built on the southwest corner of North Main Street at Edwards Street in Algonquin in 1871). Member Lewis will locate a photograph of the church at the next workshop, and Member Dombrowski will respond to the inquiry, and attach the photo.

Members also discussed the status of efforts to apply for potential grant funding for restoration of the historic Mineral Spring site in Towne Park. Member Thompson will prepare a narrative for the grant application for the Commission’s and Village’s approval, based on information and historic photos of the site provided by Chairman Jolitz and Member Lewis.

## **APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT**

None.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Chairman Jolitz reported on the new offering and schedule of the Ted Spella Leadership School, one session of which will include participants learning some Algonquin history. Chairman Jolitz also reported that Commission Member Wyskochil is a participant in the current Leadership School, and is away tonight, attending the first meeting of the group, tonight September 14 at the Ganek Municipal Center.

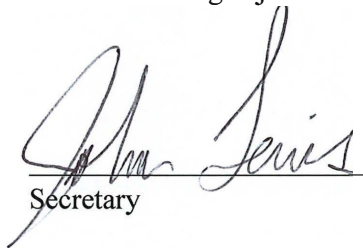
## **CORRESPONDENCE, COMMENTS, AND OTHER BUSINESS:**

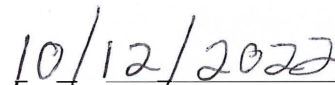
Chairman Jolitz reminded members of workshops on September 17 and 24.

Chairman Jolitz also reported on an upcoming event planned by the McHenry County Joint Council of Historic Groups at the Elgin History Museum on Wednesday evening September 21, and encouraged Members to try and attend if they could.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Member Thompson moved, and Member Dombrowski seconded, that the meeting be adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

  
Secretary

  
Date Approved