ALGONQUIN HISTORIC COMMISSION MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING NOVEMBER 14, 2012 7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER – ESTABLISH QUORUM:

PRESENT: Chairman Jolitz. Members: Purn, Mudra, Zange, Nee, Koeppel

Village: Ben Mason

APPROVE MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 10 AND WORKSHOP MEETINGS OF OCTOBER 20-27, 2012:

Moved by Member Zange to approve the above Minutes. Motion seconded by Member Purn

Voice Vote: All Ayes

At this point Chairman Jolitz recused himself from the meeting and Member Purn moved to appoint Member Zange Chairman ProTem for this part of the meeting. Motion seconded by Member Nee

Roll Call: Chairman Pro Tem Zange aye, Members: Purn aye, Mudra aye, Nee aye, Koeppel aye.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR CONSIDERARION OF A MAJOR IMPROVEMENT IN THE OLD TOWN DISTRICT CASE NO. PC12-10, 215 S. HARRISON ST. FOR WINDOW AND DOOR REPLACEMENT.

PRESENT: Chairman Pro Tem. Zange Members: Purn, Mudra, Nee, Koeppel. Village:

Ben Mason

Petitioner: Jeffrey Jolitz

Mr. Mason opened this Hearing by informing the Commission that this property was the former Beans And Books business and that the building received a Special Use permit from the Village Board to allow it to be converted into residential use. The Petitioner is interested in making some alterations to the structure to project more of a residential appearance and meet code requirements for a residential use of the structure.

The proposed modifications consist of replacing the building's double-door front entrance with a standard single door. The fixed picture window directly adjacent to the front door would also be replaced with a double hung window unit.

In the building's South wing, the window openings on the South and West would be removed and replaced with double hung units — consistent with the architecture of the principal house on the property which features predominantly double hung windows. The windows on the West side will be lowered to meet building code requirements for the height of bedroom windows because of fire safety reasons.

Additionally, the Petitioner is proposing to replace the skylight at the rear of the building with a gabled dormer which would be compatible with the overall gabled roofline. The Double hung window unit would also match the appearance of the other double hung windows being installed.

Staff feels the proposed window and door modifications are compatible with the appearance of the principal residential home on the property and is also consistent with the Preservation Code. Staff recommends the approval of the Certificate Of Appropriateness with the following conditions:

- 1. In accordance with the Village Building Code, a bedroom window must be no higher than 44 inches from the floor. The Petitioner shall comply with the Code requirement and the height of the home's bedroom windows shall meet Code.
- 2. Due to changes in the size and/or location of window and door openings, the exterior siding shall be repaired/replaced with matching size and color.

After further discussion member Purn moved to recommend the Building Commissioner issue a Certificate of Appropriateness for window and door modifications at 215 S. Harrison, Case No. PC12-10 consistent with Petitioner's submittal and conditions listed during this Hearing. Motion seconded by Member Nee. Roll Call: Members: Purn aye, Mudra aye Nee aye, Koeppel aye. Chairman Pro Tem Zange aye.

Chairman Jolitz resumed his seat and the regular meeting continues.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Interview Project - Status Report:

We hope that January and February are covered. Negotiations continue. In the meantime the Interview team is compiling a new list of people to contact for the coming year.

B. Fall Harvest Day Event:

The Commission had a Booth which was well received until the weather moved in. Mr Mason reported one walking tour was completed

APPROVE BILLS FOR PAYMENT:

None

NEW BUSINESS"

A. New Display For The Main Library: This display is in the process of being-laid out

CORRESPONDENCE, COMMENTS OR OTHER BUSINESS:

Articles are now due for the Citizen.

There will be a Tree Lighting ceremony on December 1st.

Mr Mason reported a meeting at St. John's on Wednesday November 28th At which time the Consultants will present a rough draft presentation on downtown There will be a complete overview consisting of four long tables in the gym that people will rotate through.

The Algonquin Mothers Group are having a Reunion at the Library in late November.

Joyce Rippy Carlson is moving back into Algonquin. She is interested in becoming a Volunteer.

An Email was received from the Janak family who have items to donate. This will be followed up.

Member Purn stated he picked up a "bunch" of postcards. We now have 650 postcards. About 420 are "different"

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Member Purn to adjourn. Motion seconded by Member Mudra. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.