

ALGONQUIN HISTORIC COMMISSION
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 11, 2013
7:00 p.m.

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

APPROVE MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF AUGUST 14 AND WORKSHOP MEETINGS OF AUGUST 17 AND 24, 2013:

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

Voice Vote: All Ayes

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Interview project – Status Report:

It was suggested that Vern Brandcamp be contacted for an interview.

Mr Mason produced a screen exhibit showing a new user friendly G.I.S. online to use for the Walking Tour Brochure that could include photos, description properties, etc. Ben advised that the Commission could start working on any ideas for changing or expanding the Commission's Web Page information on the Village Website including adding additional information or links to things like an online version of the Old Town Walking tour.

C. New Display – Main Library:

Chairman Jolitz and Member Nee will be changing the Commission's display in the Main Library next week. The exhibit is called "Gadgets, Gizmos, and Giveaways" advertising items and promotions from Algonquin's business community 1890-1990. Member Purn has made a sign for the exhibit and also copied many of the old ads from merchants that will be included in the display.

BILLS FOR PAYMENT:

Chairman Jolitz produced a bill in the amount of \$96.39 for the purchase of 14 storage boxes for the interview project. Moved by Member Zange to approve the above bill. Motion seconded by Member Mudra.

Voice Vote: All Ayes.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Finalize Plans For Participation In Harvest Day Event October 12.

Mr Mason reported that there will be a 5K Walk on Oct 12. Downtown businesses have already contacted a food concession booth. There will be kids games and crafting activities. The day will start at 10 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. There will be an area allocated for vendors. Setup time: 7:00 a.m.

B. Mr Mason was contacted by the Village President who is looking for a piece of local art work to present to State Senator Karen Connaughay as the Senator's office is decorated with such items

from many communities. It was suggested that one of pen and ink drawings by local artist Marie Coleman of Algonquin scenes of our historic downtown would be an appropriate item to represent Algonquin for that purpose. The Commission offered three different prints as possible choices to select from.

CORRESPONDENCE, COMMENT OR OTHER BUSINESS:

Mr Mason reported that the people interested in the restaurant and cidery project on N. River Road, for which the Commission held a preservation code hearing in August Case No. PC13-04 have withdrawn their petition. It was stated that they have decided to change the scope of the project to include a banquet facility and perhaps an orchard, so they are looking for other parcels larger than the North River Road property. It was suggested that perhaps the former Stonegate Nursery property might be an option for the petitioner Marla Boerder to consider.

It was announced that there will be a joint council meeting of the McHenry County Historic Groups on Wednesday Sept.25 at the "Stickney House" 1904 Cherry Valley Rd in Bull Valley. The meeting will include a tour of this landmark structure, well known throughout the area as "the house with round corners."

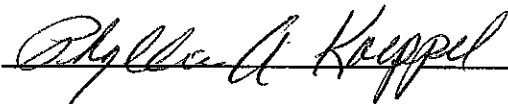
Chairman Jolitz turned over to Mr Mason information on a new display case for the lobby of the main village hall for the Commission's use.

Member Purn is in contact with Trisha Johnson regarding a cub scout visit in October.

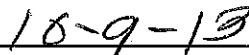
ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Member Zange to adjourn. Motion seconded by Member Mudra.

Voice Vote: All Ayes. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.



Secretary



Date Approved