

ALGONQUIN HISTORIC COMMISSION

MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING

August 14, 2019

7:00 P.M.

Held at Historic Village Hall - 2 South Main St. — Algonquin

Call to order – Establish Quorum

Present: Chairman Jolitz and Members Dombrowski, Himes, Purn, Zange, and Lewis

Approval of Minutes of Regular Business Meeting on July 10, and Workshop Meeting on July 20, 2019. Moved: Member Himes; Seconded: Member Dombrowski.

Voice Vote: All Ayes. Minutes Approved.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION – PUBLIC COMMENT

None

PUBLIC HEARING:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Fall event Participation - Harvest Day Event . It will be on the same day and place as the “It’s Our River Event” by the Friends of the Fox River group. They will do their event along the creek in Towne Park on 9/21 from 9 am to 4 pm. The Rotary Club has given the Commission a booth next to the bridge. Member Purn will have a display of insect photographs in a booth next to the Commission’s.

APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Visit by Brett Davidson from Texas - descendant of Christian Geister (built the home at 302 S. Main Street – which is on the National Register of Historic Places). Mr. Davidson came to the Commission’s office in Historic

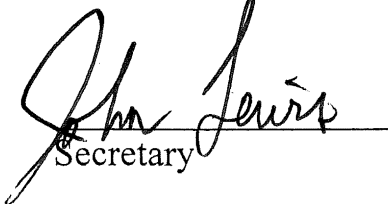
Village Hall on August 7 and was aided by Member Purn. On August 9 he met with Chairman Jolitz who gave him a tour of downtown including both 302 S. Main and the home of Henry Geister at corner of Washington & Jefferson St. and showed him St Johns One Room School House, which the Geister children attended school. Also provided info on Geister's family graves at the cemetery. Member Purn made a personal donation \$150 to Brett to help him in his very extensive research and efforts, also for aiding the Commission by sharing and organizing Information, Documentation and Copies of his Family Photos that Brett provided ref the Geister family.

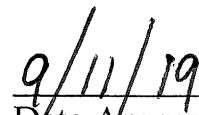
CORRESPONDENCE, COMMENTS, AND OTHER BUSINESS:

- a. This was the week for free admission to the McHenry County Historical Society for village residents.
- b. The Village Hall display case is Algonquin baseball history.
- c. Member Purn received a donation of an old and new water meter from Public Works. They also offered pieces of old water pipes if the commission wanted any.
- d. Member Purn purchased a Phoebe Dunn photo card. She was probably only in high school because she was only listed as 435 lbs. Probably from 1860's.
- e. Member Purn purchased a post card from the 1930's with a person on the river bank with the Algonquin Road bridge in the background.

ADJOURNMENT:

Member Zange moved and Purn seconded, that the meeting be adjourned.
Voice Vote: All Ayes. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.


Secretary


Date Approved