

**ALGONQUIN HISTORIC COMMISSION  
MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING**

**MAY 8, 2024**

**7:00 PM**

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

**CALL TO ORDER – ESTABLISH QUORUM**

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

**APPROVE MINUTES OF REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF APRIL 10, 2024, AND  
WORKSHOP MEETINGS OF APRIL 20 AND 27, 2024**

Motion: Member Jolitz moved to accept Minutes with one handwritten correction of a typo in the date of the Commission bank deposit reported in the Minutes of the monthly meeting on April 10, 2024 (change year 2025 to 2024); Seconded Member Donahue.

Voice Vote: All Ayes. Minutes Approved.

**PUBLIC COMMENT – AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

None.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Chairman Lewis reported on continued digitalization of historic photos and slides for Commission database and future digital presentations, including completion of digitizing historic slides from the Unruh Estate.

Members Donahue, Teuber, and Jolitz reported on the progress of preparing the new exhibit for the Commission's display case at the Harnish Library.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT**

Chairman Lewis approved a bill for label making supplies presented by Member Donahue. Moved to approve by Member Himes; Seconded by Member Jolitz. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Chairman Lewis began his term as Commission Chairman, effective May 7, 2024. Member Thompson took over as Secretary effective immediately and through the remainder of her Commission term expiring on May 6, 2025, and will then retire her membership from the Commission effective May 6, 2025.

Members discussed ongoing plans for the Commission's two-day Open House event on September 7-8, 2024, during the Art on the Fox fair on Main Street in Old Town, including the possibility of drafting a flyer/handout advertising the Commission's Open House event.

Members discussed the Rotary Harvest Day Event scheduled for October 5, 2024. In keeping with input received from the Rotary Club that such an event would be impractical and ill-advised during the ongoing construction in Old Town, the Commission decided that no Cemetery Walk event will be held concurrently with the Harvest Market. The Commission may consider manning a table at the Harvest Market event if one is held (no plans for that event are available online currently), provided that such an effort would not conflict with the two-day Commission Open House event being held the previous month during Art on the Fox.

Members discussed the potential for a new order for historic identification signs for historic homes in Old Town, and possible means of notifying historic home owners of the opportunity to order a new/replacement sign.

**CORRESPONDENCE, COMMENTS, AND OTHER BUSINESS**

Member Jolitz relayed an invitation from the Algonquin Garden Club to a rededication of the Blue Star Memorial on June 7, 2024.

Chairman Lewis and Member Jolitz reported on a second inquiry from a teacher at Dundee Middle School working on his master’s degree thesis, who is seeking historic information regarding Algonquin, Carpentersville, and Dundee, and may attend an upcoming workshop to do research for that project.

Members were reminded of Commission Workshops on May 18 and 25, 2024.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Member Jolitz moved, and Member Himes seconded, that the meeting be adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.

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Secretary

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Date Approved