

LINCOLN LEGACY COMMITTEE

Urbana Free Library

210 West Green Street, Urbana, IL

Wednesday, September 25, 2019, 5:00

p.m.

Call to Order

Wysocki called the meeting of the Lincoln Legacy Committee to order at 5:02 p.m.

Roll call

Committee members present: Barbara Wysocki, Anke Voss, Kay Grabow, Barb Oehlschlaeger — Garvey, Eric Thorland, Kent Tucker

Others present: County Executive Darlene Kloepfel

Approval of the Agenda/ Addendum

Tucker moved and Grabow seconded to approve the agenda. Motion approved.

Approval of the minutes

O-Garvey moved and Thorland seconded to approve the July 31, 2019 meeting minutes. Motion approved.

Public Participation

None

OLD BUSINESS

a. General updates

Grabow asked if any more school tours were scheduled. Wysocki said that Unity High School came in last week and no other tours were scheduled. She said the sheriff met with the Unity students and the state's attorney.

b. Abraham Lincoln Association

Wysocki said the ALA has a meeting scheduled in October with a symposium in the evening. She said Dr. Michael Burlingame would be the speaker that evening.

Wysocki said the ALPLM museum director was fired.

She said the governor was filling vacancies on the ALPLM .

c. Museum of the Grand Prairie

O-Garvey said that the Twelfth Annual MOGP Lecture Series was starting in October. She said the focus would be the connection of homes to Lincoln.

O-Garvey explained the Wayside sign history to C. E. Kloeppel.

d. Half Century Club Annual Dinner

Wysocki said the Club would recognize the "News – Gazette" and Former Champaign Mayor Dan McCollum and his wife Darlene.

e. Urbana Free Library Archives Report

Voss said that Belcher was working part time at the UFL.

She said that the annual History Harvest will be October 26th with exhibitors and folk singers.

She said that the archives contact will be Rachel Fuller.

f. County Executive Kloeppel

C.E. Kloeppel said she would like to appointments and other issues.

She said that three of the original six members are to be appointed by Kloeppel and three by the County Forest Preserve Board.

She said the LLC could become its own volunteer group and take donations through the Sheriff's Department. She said we could check the LLC by-laws, transfer LLC funds to the Sheriff's Department, and change the number of members to eight.

O-Garvey said LLC needs to remain a committee. Thorsland said the members work well together. He said the county sheriff is not a permanent position, and LLC is a permanent committee, more or less.

Tucker said Wysocki deserves more credit for what she does than she gets.

C.E. Kloeppel said there would always going to be an LLC with the sheriff department.

Thorsland said there has to be a county connection for the LLC to be strong.

C.E. Kloeppel said some people want the Lincoln exhibit to go to the Lincoln Hotel to avoid going through the sheriff. O-Garvey said the MOGP would have to remove too many artifacts for the exhibit to be located there.

Grabow said there has to be a timeline to complete transition if LLC is going to be in the budget next year.

C.E. Kloeppel said there was \$40,000 in the budget for the clock tower.

8. Next Regularly Scheduled meeting

a. December 4, 2019

9. Adjournment

Tucker moved and Grabow seconded to adjourn. Motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 6.23 p.m.

Kent Tucker, Secretary