# CHAMPAIGN COUNTY, ILLINOIS COMMITTEE MINUTES

#### LINCOLN EXHIBITS COMMITTEE

Monday, March 5, 2007 Champaign County Courthouse, Jury Assembly Room 101 E. Main St., Urbana

4:30 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Ray Cunningham, Kay Grabow, John Hoffman, Kent Tucker, Anke Voss,

Barbara Wysocki, and Vern Zehr

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Linda Frank, Barbara Garvey, and Cheryl Kennedy

# **CALL TO ORDER**

The inaugural meeting of the Lincoln Exhibits Committee was convened at 4:45 p.m. by Barbara Wysocki.

## **ROLL CALL**

Ray Cunningham, Kay Grabow, John Hoffman, Kent Tucker, Anke Voss, Barbara Wysocki, and Vern Zehr were present.

# APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADDENDUM

**MOTION** by Mr. Tucker to approve the agenda for the meeting; seconded by Mr. Zehr. **Motion** carried.

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There was no public participation.

# ELECTION OF COMMITTEE CHAIR, VICE-CHAIR, AND SECRETARY

The committee deferred the election of officers until they became more familiar with the membership and the charge of the committee. By consensus, they agreed to allow Ms. Wysocki to serve as interim chair. Ms. Wysocki passed out copies of the Memorandum of Understanding between Champaign County and the Champaign County Forest Preserve which governs this committee.

#### DETERMINATION OF REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE AND LOCATION

The committee then discussed a permanent meeting time and place. By consensus, the committee agreed to the first Tuesday of the month at 4:30 p.m. Then there was discussion of where to hold the meetings. Suggested locations were the Urbana Civic Center, the Urbana Free Library, and Lincoln Square Mall. The Civic Center was rejected because rooms there were on a rental basis. Ms. Voss would check into space at the

Library. By consensus, the committee agreed to meeting at the Urbana Library, pending Ms. Voss's research into its availability. If that were not possible, the committee would meet at Lincoln Square Mall.

# DETERMINATION OF REPOSITORY LOCATION FOR COMMITTEE DOCUMENTS

**MOTION** by Mr. Tucker to identify Champaign County as the repository location to house the committee documents; seconded by Ms. Voss. **Motion carried.** 

# **COMMITTEE ORIENTATION**

Cheryl Kennedy then gave the committee an orientation to the charge and work of the committee. She spoke about the Looking for Lincoln initiative to commemorate the 200th anniversary of Lincoln's birth in 2009. She talked about efforts on the national, state, and local levels. She then talked about the potential of the Courthouse exhibit space and what its purpose might be. The committee then moved outside of the Jury Assembly Room to the exhibit space where the orientation continued.

# DISCUSSION OF FUTURE ACTION ITEMS TO BE ADDRESSED BY THE COMMITTEE

On returning to the Jury Assembly Room, the committee continued the discussion about future action. In preparation for its next meeting, the committee asked Ms. Kennedy to provide a list of possible grant opportunities and their deadlines. They also asked for a tentative schedule in order to complete the Courthouse Exhibit in time for the Lincoln anniversary in 2009. The committee members agreed to visit the Early American Museum on their own before the next meeting to view their exhibit of Lincoln in Champaign County.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m. The next meeting would be held on April 3, 2007 at 4:30 p.m. either at the Urbana Free Library or Lincoln Square Mall.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Wysocki

Secy's note: The minutes reflect the order of the agenda and may not necessarily reflect the order of business conducted at the meeting.