

Chicopee Historical Commission Voting Record and Minutes

The Historical Commission of the City of Chicopee public hearing for **Tuesday, October 10, 2023 at 4:00 PM**, in the Chambers Conference room, City Hall Annex and via Zoom.

Meeting was brought to order at 4:00 PM by Joshua Clark, Chair of the Historical Commission.

Historical Commission attendance:

Member	Present	Absent	Excused
Joshua Clark, Chair	X		
Linda Menard-Mruk Vice Chair	X		
Raymond Hoess-Brooks			X
Louise Osetek			X
Kathryn Gawron	X		
<i>Vacant</i>			
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Planning Staff attendance:

Member	Present	Absent	Excused
Lee Pouliot, Director			X
James Dawson, Development Manager	X		
Patrick Collins			X
Nick Kiser			X

Item 1: Presentation – Wren Wood presentation on historic speech patterns of Chicopee.

Notes: Wren Wood, a linguist, provided the Commission with a presentation entitled “*Voices of Chicopee in the Gilded Age.*” The presentation highlighted the evolution of speech from the Gilded Age to present day and reasons that attributed to the evolution.

Item 2: Presentation- Representative from the Springfield Diocese regarding Holy Name and Assumption.

Notes: The presentation will take place at a later date to be determined as no representatives of the Diocese were available to attend.

Item 3: Discussion – The November 14, 2023 Historical Commission Meeting to be held at the Bellamy house.

Notes: Commissioner Clark requested the November 14, 2023 meeting be held at the Edward Bellamy House in order to update all the Commissioners on its condition. Commissioner Clark to confirm the meeting location.

Item 4: Commission Elections

Notes: Typically, the Commission holds elections in September. However, since the Commission did not meet in September and two members were not able to attend due to illness at the October 2023 meeting, the Commission decided to hold Elections at the November 14, 2023 meeting.

Item 5: Odd-Year Bylaw review (Article XIII)

Notes: Due to two Member absences at the October 2023 meeting the Commission moved the discussion on the Bylaw review to the November 2023 meeting agenda.

Item 6: Minutes from June 13, 2023

Motion to approve the minutes was made by Linda Menard-Mruk and seconded by Kathryn Gawron. Vote was 3-0 to approve.

Member	Approve	Deny	Table	Abstain
Joshua Clark, Chair	X			
Linda Menard-Mruk	X			
Kathryn Gawron	X			

Item 7: Discussion/New Business

Notes: There was no new business.

Item 8: Adjournment – Next regularly scheduled meeting is November 14, 2023.

Motion to adjourn was made by Linda Menard-Mruk and seconded by Kathryn Gawron . Vote was 3-0 to adjourn.

Member	Approve	Deny	Table	Abstain
Joshua Clark, Chair				
Linda Menard-Mruk				
Kathryn Gawron				

Meeting adjourned at 5:03 PM.