Re: Historian Report From: Mel. Hager Mueller.

To: John Lawrence, Town Supervisor & Pat Dedman, Village Mayor.

Date. 11/6/2023

Dear Town and Village Officials:

It has been a pleasure to have been chosen to take on the Afton Historian Position. I am greatly excited about what the future holds.

Since the last meeting where it was made official of my place as the Afton Historian, the following sums up my activities.

I have set the hours for the Afton Historian Office to be open at very minimum, every Tuesday from 9am - Noon.

This month I have spent time getting acquainted with the office. Doing some minor re-arranging to facilitate the continued preservation of items, and to make meetings at the table more welcoming and accessible.

Research has already been done for the Daughters of the American Revolution Bainbridge / Afton Chapter, the Order of the Eastern Star, Deposit NY (the chapter that Afton merged with), the Freemasons of Deposit (Afton merged with them as well), and for Nancy Grover Hicks on perhaps her last visit to Afton.

A computer, voice recorder, and CD drive have been purchased for the Afton Historian Office to ensure that all workings for the office stay with the office as life moves on and when I retire, the next historian will have all at their fingertips.

A new Facebook page has been created to ensure that the social media aspect continues. The prior Facebook page for the Afton Historian is no longer viewable on Facebook.

A new email has been created for the Afton Historian as well. That email address is aftonhistorian@yahoo.com

On October 5th, I was able to attend the Bainbridge Museum event regarding the North Afton Cemetary book written by Sharon Donahue. Jeremiah, my 17 year old boy attended with me and loved the presentation as much as I did.

The Afton Historical Society had their monthly meeting on Wednesday November, 1st, 2023, which I attended as well.

Maps have been relocated so that they do not continue to have edges bent. Removal of rusty paperclips etc. from documents has begun and will continue until finished for preservation of records.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to call me at any time at 607-242-8180

Thank you,

Mel. Hager Mueller.