

**Minutes of the Adel Historic Preservation Commission  
21 February 2017 at City Hall – 8:00 p.m.**

**Members Present:** Rich Hughes, Deb Christensen, Heith Hockenberry, and Vonz Odem. **Absent:** Tom Hagen. **City:** none.

Chair Rich Hughes called the meeting to order at 8:06 p.m.

**Minutes:** There were no minutes from January 2017 as Anthony was not there to provide report.

**Design Guidelines Planning & Community Involvement:** Rich reported that funding requests for the design guidelines are on hold for the current year. He also reported that there appear to be two different style building plaques in Winterset. There was some discussion about what exactly is on the Historic Register, whether it includes the buildings and how far it extends. Deb will email Tom to ask, and Rich will check with Paula Mohr, SHPO, and Will Page. The grant application revised in 2008 appears to include buildings on the courthouse square, too. Additional discussion focused on educational and outreach opportunities to local business owners and others, including visitors to the community.

**Annual Report:** Rich has worked on the 2016 Iowa Certified Local Government annual report and asks that Commission members review it for next month's meeting.

**Historical Trivia Question:** Last month's trivia question was about the school bus drivers in the 1930s and 40s. The boys in the senior class provided this service to the school. This month's question is about the Opera House, built in 1909, but no longer in existence.

**Other:** The group discussed the Preservation at Its Best Award and proposed Russell Title as the recipient, but no action was taken.

The **next regular meeting** of the Adel Historic Preservation Commission will be 21 March 2017 at 8:00 pm at City Hall.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Deb Christensen  
AHPC Secretary