Minutes of the Adel Historic Preservation Commission
March 19, 2019 at City Hall – 8:00 p.m.

Members Present: Deb Christensen, Rich Hughes and Vonz Odem. Absent: Heith Hockenberry, Cori Howard

City: None

Chair Rich Hughes called the meeting to order at 8:09 p.m.

Minutes: Unavailable

Dallas County Foundation Grant: Rich submitted the grant in January, but will not learn if the grant was funded until the last week in March. Rich has identified a possible donor for matching funds, and there was a discussion about identifying buildings that could be next to receive plaques. The Dallas County News had a two-page spread on Phase I of the building plaques in the January 31, 2019 issue.


Interactive Map project with ADM HS: Several options were discussed, including links to the National Park Service, links to interactive maps of the area, a link via the city’s webpage, and a map with embedded pop-ups. The Commission elected to begin with five properties: the courthouse, Governor Clarke’s house, the bank building where the holdup occurred (currently Axis Seeds), museum, and the Raccoon Valley Bank Community Building.

Other Properties for National Register Nomination: Rich contacted Paula Mohr about five properties currently outside the Historic District.

Preservation at Its Best: May is Preservation month. The Commission selected Old Blue as the recipient for Preservation at Its Best award.

Other: Greenslade’s building (former DX station) is for sale, so we will hold off on restoring DX signage, etc. The building that houses Italian Villa is also for sale.

The next regular meeting of the Adel Historic Preservation Committee will be April 16 at 8:00 pm at City Hall. The meeting was adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Debora Christensen, AHPC Secretary