Minutes of the Adel Historic Preservation Commission
April 16, 2019 at City Hall – 8:00 p.m.

Members present: Heith Hockenbery, Rich Hughes and Vonz Odem. Absent: Deb Christensen and Cori Howard. City: None Guest: Alan and Lori Richardson

Chair Rich Hughes called the meeting to order at 8:03 p.m.

Minutes of the March 2019 meeting unavailable.

Citizen Presentation: Lori Richardson brought a hand out introducing her and husband Alan. The years they have lived in Adel, businesses they own and goals. They are looking at buying and shoring up the Napa building. A rough estimate for renovations was presented. They were interested in financial resources that may be available to them. Discussion began regarding grant money from the city for historic preservation and how to apply. Heith was also aware the city currently has an abatement for increased value of the building after project is completed. If the value of the building has increased more than 15% of it’s original value. Vonz volunteered to contact Paula Moerh to see if any state grant money is available.

Building Plaques: Rich reported we did not receive Dallas County Foundation grant money. He was contacted by the Van Meter chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution who have a grant available for our plaques.

Preservation Award: Members voted to award Preservation at its Best Award to Big Blue Bed and Breakfast. Rich will send to the state contest.

School Online Project: Heith reported on good progress. The class has four of the five pictures we had asked to be put on line. Need image of the museum. Group approved of work done at this point. The class sent samples of buttons for viewers to use to view the images. Consensus by those present of the top button design.

2019 Preserve Iowa Summit: To be held in Newton, IA Thursday, June 6 – Saturday, June 8. We will discuss at our May meeting.

The next regular meeting of the Adel Historic Preservation Committee will be May 21 at 8:00 pm at City Hall. The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Vonz Odem, substitute AHPC Secretary