

Minutes of the Adel Historic Preservation Commission

May 29, 2024 at Adel Library Community Room

Members Present: Bob Hall, Rich Hughes, Vonz Odem, Lane Pralle

Absent: Benjamin Bobier, Deb Christensen, Mike Flynn, Cori Pickett

Guest: Michelle Cunliffe (RDG)

City: Shirley McAdon

Chair Rich Hughes called the meeting to order at 7:38 pm

Minutes from March and April were approved. Minutes from May need to be approved.

Design Guidelines

- Michelle Cunliffe presented the new Design Guidelines to the commission.
- The booklet includes a brief history of Adel, the square, brickyard and the historic district
- Recommendations are included for new construction and rehabilitation projects

Museum Report

- Shirley McAdon discussed a few items on the report from TE Forensics.
- Maintenance and security of the building are first priority. Repair of door and soffits will take place.
- Big ticket items are not in the budget at this time (shoring, tuckpointing).
- Rich will review potential grant opportunities to secure additional funding.

Plaques for **Raccoon Valley Bank community house/** Bonnie Kirk's building (993-3153)

- The commission discussed including a QR code on the plaque which will link to the website.

Rewrite Adel Historic Grant Program

- The grant program should reference the new design guidelines.

Naming on new county office building

- The commission discussed naming the new building the Arlington building. This was discussed with Mark Hanson.
- A plaque will be made for the building, which will open soon.

The commission discussed the upcoming **Iowa Summit** in June.

Accessibility for historic buildings

- Federal buildings are required to have accessible entries, not private buildings.
- Rear entries may be best suited for accessibility
- A grant may fund an accessibility study

Meeting was adjourned at 8:26pm

Next meeting is June 18, 2024.

Respectfully,

Lane Pralle

AHPC Member