

Adams County Historic Preservation Commission
Wednesday February 18th, 2026, Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by chairperson Sandra Leininger at 6:00 PM at the Lauvstad Center Conference Room. Commissioners present were Chair Sandra Leininger, Vice chair Nancy Carmichael, Secretary Linda Newsome, Commissioners: Gayle Anstey, Jo Bissell, Jon Brokaw, Mike Cormack, Marti Gebbie. Commissioners absent Roger hull. Guests present Jami Fletchall and Betsy Akin from Main Street Corning, Dallas Mader from the Klein Museum, Joyce Greene and Loretta Brenton from Adams County Chamber of Commerce. Budget: \$12,800 left in budget. Next year budget starts July 1st., 2026

Business:

Main Street guests Betsy and Jamie presented their flyer. There have been several new businesses on Main Street. March 5th, 2026 is “March into community”. They will set up booths for Volunteer Fair. Update on Widener building; it is almost done and will start marketing soon.

2026 Work Plan: Work plan was reviewed; **try to add community notification from commissioners**. Also looking into more resources for cemetery restoration. Mike suggests coming up with ideas to get more interest in history.

Supervisors meeting: supervisors meeting is Monday at 9:00 AM.

America’s 250th anniversary: state association of cemeteries recommends an open house for **Revolutionary War** and 1812 **and World War One** with attention to Zachariah Lawrence as he served in the War of 1812. May incorporate student papers and soldiers into the open house. Marti suggests Memorial Day as the day of the event. We will try to identify more soldiers in the Revolutionary War, discuss and investigate other soldiers.

Other business:

Library Basement: if the library have bookcases for material in the basement, we will donate a bookcase for conference rooms.

Kline Museum: Dallas Mader was present from the **Klein** museum and states the museum is open every Sunday from one to three. Memorial Day to Labor Day volunteers are requested.

Next meeting: Wednesday March 18th 2026, 6:00 PM at the Lauvstad Center Conference Room. Meeting adjourned at 7:04 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Newsome