MINUTES
HISTORIC PRESERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Meeting of August 6, 2008, 7:00 p.m.

Room 1W2
Carrollton City Hall

The following members were in attendance:

Fred Blair
Janet Mayberry
Jo Moody
Ronald Park (Chair)
Lark Tribble

Sara Salmon (Member Emeritus)
Christopher Barton, AICP (Secretary)

The following members were absent:

Jennifer Arcizo-Hill
Robert Boston (Vice Chair)
Lynn Brien
Barbara Warren

The meeting was called to order at 7:20 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Park called for corrections or approval of the minutes of the May 7, 2008 meeting.

Motion by Moody, second by Blair,, to approve the minutes of the May 7, 2008 meeting as presented.

Motion passed, 5 – 0.

Discussion & Consideration of
Participation in an Exhibit on Carrollton at the
Dallas County Museum of History & Culture (at "Old Red")

Toyia Pointer, Curator of the A.W. Perry Museum, made a presentation on a planned exhibition on Carrollton to be held at the "Old Red" Museum in Downtown Dallas. This is part of a series of exhibitions on each of the cities and communities in Dallas County. Irving was the first, Carrollton will be the second. The exhibit will run from late January to late March 2009.

Pointer was asking HPAC to consider looking for artifacts, photos, etc. that related to the history of Carrollton, to help "spread the word," and to help review things to be put on display.

The timing of this event was fortuitous, as the A.W. Perry home itself will be turning 100 years old in 2009.

Pointer handed out her business card, and asked that any member feel free to contact her. Since the exhibit would need to be installed in early January, they only had a couple of months (September through November) to finalize the displays.

Park thanked Pointer for her presentation and encouraged members to participate in any way they could.

DATE: June 10, 2008
TO: Scott Whitaker, Director & Suzanne Hendrickson, Leisure Services Manager, PARD
FROM: Toyia Pointer, Museum Curator
SUBJECT: **CITY OF CARROLLTON EXHIBIT OLD RED MUSEUM OF DALLAS COUNTY HISTORY AND CULTURE:** JANUARY –MARCH 2009

The Old Red Museum of Dallas County History and Culture has begun a series of temporary exhibits highlighting the history of Dallas County cities. The city of Irving was the first to mount an exhibit and Carrollton has been asked to be the next city highlighted with a temporary exhibit within the museum, located in downtown Dallas. The dates proposed for the Carrollton exhibit are January through March 2009.

The A. W. Perry Homestead Museum has many artifacts significant to the history of Carrollton that could be used for the exhibit including photographs from the late 19th and early 20th centuries and historic documents including land grant deeds of two original Peters Colony Settlers. Much of the research has already been completed during projects like the Carrollton book, various articles from Elm Fork Echoes of the Peters Colony Historical Society and local narratives researched by the city's Historic Preservation Advisory Committee.

I would propose that Carrollton's exhibit be a joint project of the A. W. Perry Homestead Museum, Carrollton Public Library, Historic Preservation Advisory Committee and possibly the volunteers of the Peters Colony Historical Society.

Financial Impact:

According to Jan Hart, Senior Archivist for the Irving Archives, Irving Public Library, the city of Irving spent around $2,300 for printing, mounting and display supplies. One employee and one volunteer headed their exhibit planning, spending 4 hours per day for two months to complete the project. They used 224 photographs and 44 artifacts to fill the 13 display cases in the temporary exhibit hall of the Old Red Museum.

For marketing, Old Red will produce the banners outside, interior signage, and will send out a press release. The photographs and information for the banners, signage and press releases will be approved by Carrollton before release.

The Irving exhibit has averaged between 75-100 visitors per day. An opening reception and three lectures to accompany the exhibit were also organized at no rental cost. Old Red's total number of visitors for January through March of this year was 6,000. The Carrollton exhibit would be wonderful publicity for the city and its rich history as one of Dallas County's oldest communities. There is a fee charged by Old Red for admission to the museum, including the temporary exhibit gallery.

Background on the Old Red Museum:

The mission of the Old Red Foundation is to create a lively center of Dallas County civic life within the historic Old Red Courthouse and to present the diverse history of the Dallas County area in *Old Red Museum of Dallas County History & Culture*.
The mission of *Old Red Museum* is to inspire and educate people with the rich cultural, economic, political and social history of the Dallas County area, showcasing the many cultures that together have formed the Dallas County of today.

Discussion & Consideration of
St. John Baptist Church

General discussion. Consensus was that the case narrative seemed almost complete, needing only some minor "wordsmithing" on a sentence or two, a couple of footnotes and some minor additions to the timeline. Moody said she could make those by the next meeting.

Consensus of the Committee was that those final changes should be made, a marker text should be developed, Rev. & Mrs. Stromile should be invited to the September meeting, and the case should be forwarded on to City Council for their consideration. If the proposed dedication date of July 18, 2009 was to be met, the marker order should be placed no later than the end of March, earlier if possible.

Moody said she could make the final edits on the case narrative, would begin on a proposed marker text, and contact the Stromiles by the September meeting of HPAC.

Discussion & Consideration of
Other Current Projects

1. Summary of Proposed Marker Dedication Target Dates:

Carrollton Heights Neighborhood	December 13, 2008
St. John Baptist Church	July 18, 2009 (alternate: July 17, 2010)
Union Baptist Church	November 7, 2009
Rainbow Pharmacy/Grill	(no date set)

2. Carrollton Heights: Proposed dedication date: Saturday, December 13, 2008. Marker has been ordered and is expected to be delivered by the beginning of November. The Committee should develop an invitation list. Invitations should be mailed by mid-November, so the list should be finalized by the October meeting.

3. Union Baptist Church: Consensus of the Committee was that the "companion marker" should be the other marker to be placed in 2009 (November). Moody said that she and Blair had begun work on a marker text. If a marker is to be placed in November 2009, it should be ordered no later than August 2009, earlier if possible. That would mean Council approval of local recognition in early summer 2009.

4. Conversion of Interview Tapes to DVD: Arcizo-Hill had sent Barton an e-mail stating that she had possession of the VHS tapes and the copied DVDs. Salmon said that she would phone Arcizo-Hill and return them to the original owner (name?), as she felt responsible.

5. Carrollton Grain Elevators: Tribble said that she had some questions about how to find out who had leased a building in the past? Lee Groves had owned the building since 1974. Tribble had a copy of the deed. She did not know who, if anyone, was occupying the elevators. There seemed to be a twenty-year gap in the use of the building (1974 to 1994). Possible sources of information might be the "cross-directory," high school annual sponsors, and possibly the county tax records (personal property?).

6. Rainbow Grill: Park said that Sid (last name?) was reluctant to cooperate, as he was concerned over what effect local recognition would have on his building. Tribble said that Boston was having the same problem with a "gap" in the history that she was with the grain elevators. His was only a two-year gap though.

7. Carrollton Brick Factories: Park said that he had not made any progress on this.

Adjournment

Motion by Tribble, second by Blair, to adjourn. 8:10

Motion passed, 5 – 0.

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Ron Park, Chair
Historic Preservation Advisory Committee

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Christopher Barton, AICP
Secretary