



**FRESNO COUNTY HISTORICAL LANDMARKS & RECORDS
ADVISORY COMMISSION**

**January 14, 2016
4:00 PM Fresno County History Museum
Fresno County Fairgrounds**



MINUTES

Members Present: Lou Catallo, Randy McFarland, Donald Shantz, Nancy Enloe, Linda Pollack, Pat Hunter, Janice Stevens, John Baltierra, Bud Olson, Sue Loucks, James Kus, Elizabeth Laval, Stephen Barile, Penny Raven, and Nick Yovino

Members Absent: Ethan Kyle, Susan Pappas, and Roger Taylor

Staff: Laurel Prysiazny, Kelley Landano

Members of the Public: Jean Rousseau

1) Call to Order at 4:00 PM: Chairman Barile

2) Welcome & Introductions:

- A) Thank You to John Alkire for tour of museum.
- B) Welcome to Jean Rousseau, new County CAO

3) Adoption of Agenda.

- A) Correction of typographical error
- B) Moved, Catallo; second, Shantz;
- C) Approved: unanimously

4) Approval of Minutes: November 12, 2015 – (Attachment 1)

- A) Corrections:
 - Item 6)a)i)b – delete reference to year “1846”.
 - Item 6)a)i)d – question raised regarding ACTION. Correction: members to notify Prysiazny if they want to serve on the subcommittee. Not choosing sites at this time.
- B) Move to approve, McFarland; second, Loucks
- C) Approved: unanimously

5) Public Comment: None

6) Landmarks:

- A) Inventory of Historic Sites in Fresno County.
 - i) Discussion of:
 - (a) Southern California Edison (SCE) Big Creek Hydroelectric Project – Review and comment for National Register Application.
 - (1) Pollack provided CD containing 500-page document for review. CD to be held at Fresno County Public Library (FCPL) Heritage Center for access. The intention is to present the final document to the State Historical Commission April 18, 2016.

B) Centennial Businesses:

i) Discussion

(a) **San Francisco Floral**, Fresno.

(1) Laval reports that the owners are working to complete the application in advance of the March meeting.

(b) **Kogetsu Do Confectionery**, Fresno.

(1) Barile – tabled till March 2015 meeting.

(c) **Ararat Cemetery**

(1) Raven – attendance and presentation approved for March meeting. They will provide Application for Discussion and Consideration for Approval

ii) Discussion and Consideration for Approval

(a) Application **SCE Big Creek Hydroelectric System** (Big Creek Project)

(1) Pollack – application reviewed.

(2) Move to approve, McFarland; second, Enloe.

(3) Approved: unanimously.

C) Centennial Farms:

i) Discussion.

(a) **Stumpf Farm.**

(1) Raven reports information is being gathered. Tabled until March meeting.

D) Centennial Communities:

i) Discussion.

(a) City of **Orange Cove.**

(1) Laval requested assistance in gathering information. McFarland to partner and assist. Continued to March meeting.

E) Centennial Schools:

i) Discussion and Consideration for Approval

(a) **McCord School.**

(1) Loucks – acknowledgement to McCord School GATE students for work on school project detailing history of the school.

(2) Move to approve, Shantz; second, Loucks.

(3) Approved: unanimously.

F) Discussion of threatened landmarks in the City of Fresno. No Report.

G) Discussion of threatened landmarks in the County of Fresno. No Report.

7) Reports and Administrative Items.

A) Chairman's Report. (*Barile*)

i) Report on County counsel activities / Duties of the Commission

(a) Subcommittee appointed – Barile, Raven, McFarland, and Enloe – to review bylaws.

(1) Discussion to be held at February meeting after meeting with County Counsel to discuss and draft bylaws revisions.

(2) February meeting to also discuss and establish standing and temporary subcommittees.

ii) Discussion of 50-year milestone of commission and what form of recognition that should take.

- (a) Suggestions offered:
 - (1) Spectrum Gallery partnering for a public showing of photos (summer)
 - (2) Special program on local landmarks to be televised on PBS (late fall). Volunteers and sub-committee would be needed to get this done.
 - (b) No decision made – tabled for further consideration
- B) Vice-Chair's Report. (*Raven*)
- i) Exploring conference call options in order to provide remote attendance at meetings.
 - ii) Field trip to Big Creek discussed for May. Will review tour options to get the best possible access.
 - iii) FCPL commended for the grand opening of the Betty Rodriguez Regional Library on 1/9/16.
- C) Secretaries Report. (*Prysiazny*)
- i) Attendance – Attached
 - ii) County Counsel input on terms, minutes and committees – covered.
 - iii) Report from By-Laws revision response from Commissioners – copy of preferred format for bylaws provided.
 - iv) Present calendar of upcoming presentations of historical interest at all libraries. Group directed to County website for programs and events. Each branch of the Library posts their own events.
 - v) Change in staff assigned to HLRC for administrative support.
 - (a) Kelley Landano taking over as executive
 - (b) Cindy Freeland to serve as secretary
- D) Member Profile: Barile
- i) March: John Baltierra (Lou Catallo, back up)

8) Announcements.

- A) Jean Rousseau expressed appreciation for Commission member's commitment and civic involvement.
- B) Catallo
 - i) Clovis is working on monuments commemorating various ethnic groups who immigrated to the local area to be placed along the old RR trail.
 - ii) Let's Talk Clovis – next speaker still to be determined
- C) Olson – Scanning pictures project is taking a great deal of time to scan them all and get them online.
- D) Loucks – the next meeting of the Westerners will review the history of the Barry family of Selma.
- E) Shantz – offered to create name badges for members

Future Meetings		
February 11, 2016	3:00 PM	Central Library, Sarah McCardle Room
March 10, 2016	3:00 PM tour 4:00 PM	Betty Rodriguez Library, meeting room 3040 N Cedar Ave.

9) Adjournment 5:34 PM
