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State Historical Resources Commission  
Meeting  
El Dorado County Board of Supervisor's Chamber  
Public Meeting Room  
330 Fair Lane  
Placerville, California

February 2, 2007

**APPROVED MINUTES**

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT**

Donn Grenda, Ph.D., Chair, Prehistoric Archeologist Member  
Rick Moss, Vice Chair, Historian Member  
Alberto Bertoli, AIA, Architect Member  
Bryan K. Brandes, Public Member  
Trish Fernandez, M.A., Historic Archaeologist Member  
David Phoneix, Public Member  
Julianne Polanco, Architectural History

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT**

Fernando Guerra, Ph.D., Folklore Member  
Richard Shek, Ph.D., Ethnic History Member

**STAFF PRESENT**

Milford Wayne Donaldson, FAIA, SHPO, Executive Secretary  
Stephen Mikesell, Deputy SHPO  
Cynthia Howse, Supervisor, Registration Unit  
Patricia Ambacher, Staff Historian  
Twila Willis-Hunter, Staff, Executive Secretary  
Tara Todd, Staff Counsel  
Patrick Kolasinski, Student Intern, Legal Department

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Legal notice having been duly given, the State Historical Resources Commission (Commission) meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m. by Chairman Donn Grenda.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Those assembled recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **III. INTRODUCTION OF COMMISSIONERS AND STAFF**

Commissioners introduced themselves and Milford Wayne Donaldson, State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) introduced himself and Office of Historic Preservation (OHP) staff.

### **IV. WELCOME**

The Honorable Jack R. Sweeney, District 3, El Dorado County Board of Supervisors, welcomed the Commission.

The Honorable Mayor Mark Acuna, City of Placerville, welcomed the Commission and commended the Commission's efforts throughout the state.

Chairman Grenda acknowledged in the audience: Carol Novey, past member of the Commission; Alan Dreyfuss, Chair of the State Historical Building Safety Board; John Foster, Acting Chief of Archaeology, History and Museum Division, California State Parks; Sharon Marovich, California Preservation Foundation Member, and member of the Tuolumne County Heritage Committee.

### **V. APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 27, 2006 MINUTES**

Chairman Grenda asked for corrections or additions to the minutes. Chairman Grenda asked for a motion to approve the draft minutes of the October 27, 2006, meeting. Motion made by Vice-Chair Moss, Commissioner Phoenix seconded. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously.

### **VI. COMMISSION AND STAFF REPORTS**

Chairman Grenda instructed the Commission to make clear and concise motions on action items; and that he will be a voting member of the Commission. Chairman Grenda thanked Marshall Gold Discovery State Historic Park for the tour on Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup> 2007.

Chairman Grenda reported that he attended the Society for Historical Archeology Annual Conference in Williamsburg, Virginia and presented a paper on the Influences of Politics and Media on Excavation of Burial Grounds.

SHPO Donaldson reiterated what Chairman Grenda said about the great tour and interpretation at Marshall Gold Discovery State Historic Park. He also thanked the staff for a job well done.

SHPO Donaldson stated that OHP is working on a proposal with Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to develop a GIS database inventory proposal to record the historical resources as found within the CHRIS which will include all National Register of Historic Places and the California Register of Historical Resources.

SHPO Donaldson mentioned that OHP is finishing a six year contract with the Mojave Desert partners. The contract was to develop a browser-based GIS database program for historical resources in the greater Mojave Desert.

SHPO Donaldson acknowledged Alan Dreyfuss, Chairman of the State Historical Building Safety Board (SHBSB). Commissioner Bertoli, and SHPO Donaldson have seats on the SHBSB. The SHBSB has finished their last revision for the California Historical Building Code.

SHPO Donaldson attended the California Main Street Conference on January 30, 2007 in Folsom, California. An amended Cooperative Agreement between California Main Street Alliance (CAMSA), non-profit organization and the OHP for the California Main Street program was approved by the CAMSA Board of Directors. The new agreement version allows more participation by CAMSA in the certification of new Main Street communities and a larger role in the National Main Street Organization. On August 24, 2006 we celebrated the City of Redding as California's first new Main Street Community since 2003.

There will be a SHPO/Tribal Historic Preservation Officers (THPOs) Summit on February 14, 2007. SHPO Donaldson mentioned that in California there are eleven THPOs throughout the state and approximately 105 federally recognized tribes. Non-federally recognized tribes have also been invited. The Summit will discuss how to protect cultural resources in the data management of sites as we move from a paper inventory to a digital-based world.

SHPO Donaldson introduced Deputy SHPO Stephen Mikesell to discuss the Governor's Awards for Historic Preservation and Preserve America programs. Deputy SHPO Mikesell stated 2007 will be the 21<sup>st</sup> Governor's Award. Deputy SHPO Mikesell urged El Dorado County and City of Placerville to look at these two programs on OHP's website.

## **VII. RESOLUTIONS**

The following resolutions were awarded by Chairman Grenda and SHPO Donaldson:

### **A. Marshall Gold Discovery State Historic Park**

Scott Nakaji, Superintendent of Gold Fields District, and Superintendent of Marshall Gold Sector Mark Gibson of California State Parks, accepted the resolution.

**B. El Dorado County Historical Museum**

Mary Cory, Director of El Dorado County Historical Museum, accepted the resolution.

**C. E Clampus Vitus**

SHPO Wayne “Wingover” Donaldson, Ray “Bare” Burn, Bruce David Terry, Leon Abrams, and William “Raven” Howland accepted the resolution on behalf of all ECV chapters in California.

**D. Carol Novey**

Former Commissioner Novey accepted the resolution.

**VIII. CLOSED SESSION OF THE COMMISSION**

Chairman Grenda convened the meeting in the closed session at 9:50 a.m.

**OPEN SESSION OF THE COMMISSION**

Chairman Grenda reconvened the open session of the Commission at 10:07 a.m.

**IX. POWERPOINT PRESENTATION OF ALL NOMINATED PROPERTIES**

Cynthia Howse Supervisor of the Registration Unit, and Patricia Ambacher, State Historian I, gave a PowerPoint presentation nominated properties.

**X. CONSENT ACTION ITEMS**

Chairman Grenda moved the Sharkey Building California Register nomination from the consent items to the discussion and action items. Chairman Grenda asked the Commission if there were any other requests to move a consent item.

**A. National Register of Historic Places**

Eden Congregational Church  
Hayward (Vicinity), Alameda County  
Local Level of Significance

William J. Paugh House  
Jackson, Amador County  
Local Level of Significance

Newhall Estate (La Dolphine)  
Hillsborough, San Mateo County  
Local Level of Significance

Hewlett Packard House & Garage  
Palo Alto, Santa Clara County  
National Level of Significance

Oroville Carnegie Library

Andrew McNally House

Oroville, Butte County  
Local Level of Significance

Altadena, Los Angeles County  
Local Level of Significance

Glassell Park Elementary School  
Los Angeles, Los Angeles County  
Local Level of Significance

Whaler's Cabin  
Carmel (Vicinity), Monterey County  
Local Level of Significance

Chairman Grenda asked the Commission for a motion on the consent items. Commissioner Bertoli moved to approve the consent items, seconded by Commissioner Polanco. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously.

Alisa Smith, representing Glassell Park Elementary School, thanked the Commission and those who wrote letters of support for the nomination. Nancy Stoltz, represented the owner of the Newhall Estate, thanked the Commission on behalf of Lillian Howell, the owner.

Charles Bancroft, State Parks Ranger of Monterey Sector with California State Parks, thanked the Commission for approving the Whaler's Cabin nomination.

Chairman Grenda invited the Commission to address any comments or questions on the consent.

Commissioner Fernandez reflected on how history affects the variety and diversity of the contemporary population. Commissioner Fernandez thanked the applicants for all their efforts.

SHPO Donaldson commented it has been about 30 years since a state owned historical resource like the Whaler's Cabin and the S. S. Pomona, Shipwreck were nominated. He said that its part of California State Parks' strategic initiative. SHPO Donaldson thanked staff Patricia Ambacher for helping State Parks non-profit partner.

**XI. NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES**  
**DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS**

- A. S. S. Pomona, Shipwreck  
Jenner (Vicinity), Sonoma County  
National Level of Significance

Cynthia Howse introduced John Foster, Acting Chief of the Archeology, History and Museum Division of California State Parks, and Dr. Charles Beeker, Director of Underwater Science at Indiana University. Dr. Beeker introduced Ania Budziak, an instructor in underwater science at Indiana University. Mr. Foster made a presentation on the S. S. Pomona. OHP staff recommended listing the shipwreck under Criterion A at the State

Level of significance in the areas of commerce and transportation; and under Criterion C at the National Level of significance in the areas of architecture and engineering; and Criterion D at the National Level of significance in the area of archeology.

Chairman Grenda stated he always appreciates seeing archeological sites nominated. Chairman Grenda thanked them for the presentation.

Commissioner Fernandez asked what was the 16 foot draft? Dr. Beeker said it was the depth of the vessel's hull (when loaded) and is the necessary minimal depth required to avoid grounding. Commissioner Fernandez asked how was the electricity generated on the ship? Mr. Foster said that the electricity was added to the S.S. Pomona after 1897, and a steam-driven electric generator was added which is still on the ship. Commissioner Fernandez asked who provided the generator? The S.S. Pomona had a steam powered General Electric generator. Chairman Grenda asked for a motion from the Commission.

Commissioner Fernandez moved that the Commission recommend that the S. S. Pomona Shipwreck be eligible for the National Register under Criterion A at the State Level and under Criteria C and D at the National Level of significance. Commissioner Moss seconded the motion. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously.

## **B. Tuolumne County Courthouse (Boundary Increase)**

Patricia Ambacher presented a staff report.

Sharon Marovich, of the Tuolumne Heritage Committee, who prepared the nomination and encouraged the Commission to approve the nomination.

Chairman Grenda asked the Commission if there was any discussion.

Chairman Grenda entertained a motion from the Commission. Commissioner Moss made a motion to accept the staff's recommendation to approve the boundary increase adding the periods of significance 1936 to 1956 in the areas of Social History and Landscape Architecture and forward the nomination to the Keeper. Commissioner Brandes seconded the motion. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously.

## **XII. CALIFORNIA REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS**

Sharkey Building  
Martinez, Contra Costa County

Patricia Ambacher presented a staff report. The Sharkey Building was removed from the consent items because staff had to revise the staff report because a letter from the City of Martinez, the property owner, arrived after staff had sent the materials to the Commission.

Commissioner Fernandez asked if it is required to include the changes into the nomination? Ms. Ambacher said the applicant noted the windows had been changed in the nomination, but not as described in the letter from the City of Martinez.

SHPO Donaldson clarified the Commission's options on the Sharkey Building nomination. The Commission can: 1) Make a motion to support the staff recommendation to adopt the attached findings; 2) Make a motion to list the Sharkey Building in the California Register on the condition that the description be revised; 3) Make a motion to ask for a continuance to hear it again in three months; or 4) If the Commission finds the nomination inadequate the Commission can return the nomination to the applicant for revisions. SHPO Donaldson stated the applicant can work with the staff to make the revisions, and the Commission can move forward with a motion, and it does not have to be brought back to the Commission.

Ms. Ambacher stated it is important for the record that the existing condition of the building be adequately reflected in the nomination. Commissioner Bertoli asked staff what will be staff's recommendation? Ms. Ambacher answered that staff is recommending that the Commission adopt the findings and list the Sharkey Building in the California Register on the condition the physical description include the information noted in the City of Martinez's letter. Commissioner Bertoli asked about the changes to the windows. Ms. Ambacher responded the Sharkey Building is not being nominated for its architecture, but for its association with William Sharkey and the California Register regulations allow for a lower degree of integrity than the National Register. Staff believes the building meets the requirements for the California Register.

Chairman Grenda asked for a motion from the Commission. Commissioner Brandes made a motion to approve staff's recommendation and adopt the attached findings on the condition the nomination is revised to adequately to reflect the condition of the property. Commissioner Phoenix seconded the motion. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously.

#### **A. Progress Report**

Chairman Grenda asked staff why the Tallman Hotel National Register nomination was denied listing in the National Register of Historic Places. Ms. Ambacher answered this nomination was heard by the Commission's May 5, 2006 meeting. The nomination was approved and forward on to

The Keeper of the Register. The staff felt that there were too many changes and the Keeper agreed. Written comments from The Keeper, were forwarded to the applicant and the Commission.

### **XIII. OPEN PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Kristin Henderson, the applicant for the Sharkey Building, thanked Patricia Ambacher and the Commission.

Chairman Grenda announced there will be groundbreaking on Monday, February 19, 2007 in Fresno, California, for the Pinedale Assembly Center Landmark designation.

SHPO Donaldson elaborated on the groundbreaking stating this property is already listed as California Landmark #934, and is part of a thematic Landmark listing for the assembly centers. The assembly centers were the first phase of incarceration of the Japanese and Californians ancestry in War World II. There will be a plaque dedicated to the more than 4,800 Americans of Japanese ancestry who were confined at the Pinedale Assembly Center from May to July of 1942.

### **IX. DISCUSSION AND ACTION AND ITEMS**

Chairman Grenda stated the Commission will discuss 2007 committee formation. According to the Rules of Order adopted by the Commission at the October 27, 2006 meeting the Chairperson shall appoint members to each committee not to exceed two members per committee; annually by majority vote the Commission can create new committees or abolish old committees. The following committees exist:

- Archeological Resources Committee
- California Cultural Diversity Committee
- Cultural Landscapes Committee
- Cultural Resources for the Modern Age Committee
- Information Center Procedural Advisory Committee
- Public Policy and Legislation Committee
- State Historical Building Safety Board Committee •Yearly Goals and Objectives Committee.

Based on the discussions at the duly noticed Commission Workshop on Thursday, Chairman Grenda entertained a motion to abolish the Cultural Resources for Modern Age Committee and Cultural Landscapes Committee and create a new committee called the Modern Cultural Resources Committee. All other committees shall remain.



Commissioner Polanco moved to accept the committees as Chairman Grenda described: to abolish the Cultural Resources of the Modern Age Committee and Cultural Landscapes Committee and to combine those for a new committee called the Modern Cultural Resources Committee. All other committees shall remain. Commissioner Fernandez seconded the motion. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Grenda appointed the Commissioners to the following committees:

**Archaeological Resources Committee** – Commissioner Fernandez, Chair, and Commissioner Grenda, member.

**California Cultural Diversity Committee** – Commissioner Moss, Chair, and Commissioner Shek, member.

**Information Center Procedural Advisory Committee** – Commissioner Grenda, Chair, and Commissioner Fernandez, member.

**Modern Cultural Resources Committee** – Commissioner Polanco, Chair, and Commissioner Bertoli, member.

**Public Policy and Legislation Committee** – Commissioner Fernandez and Commissioner Polanco, Co-Chairs.

**State Historical Building Safety Board Committee** – Commissioner Bertoli, Chairperson.

**Yearly Goals and Objectives Committee** – Commissioner Brandes, Chair, and Commissioner Phoenix, member.

## **X. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS**

### **A. Archaeology Resources Committee**

Commissioner Fernandez, Chairperson of the Committee, and Commissioner Grenda, member of the Committee, reported the committee has been working with OHP in implementing the Statewide Historic Preservation Plan for the years 2006- 2010. The committee is specifically looking at the preservation archeology chapter in the plan.

The archeological community is reviewing the third draft of white papers which will be printed in the upcoming newsletter of the Society for California Archaeology in March. The Committee will be gathering input from the community at the Society's Annual Meeting in San Jose. After the gathered information is documented the committee will bring it to the SHPO, Deputy SHPO, and OHP staff for review. This is an important step

to receive the backing of OHP and the Commission in order to provide a solution to the community.

Chairman Grenda commended Commissioner Fernandez for doing a great job.

**B. Information Center Procedure Advisory Committee**

Chairman Grenda reported that the Information Center Procedural Advisory Committee, staff member Eric Allision and Chairman Grenda met via telephone. There is no report as of now, but will be at the next meeting.

**XI. COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS**

SHPO Donaldson asked that Patrick Kolasinski, intern with California State Parks, Legal Office, speak regarding the California Register regulation changes. Mr. Kolasinski stated that he was brought on to review possible proposed regulation changes to the California Register.

Commissioner Fernandez said the Commission was pleased to have Patrick reviewing this subject.

**XII. Meeting Dates And Location For 2007**

May 3, 2007            Hollywood    Regularly Quarterly Meeting

August 3, 2007        Oakland       Regularly Quarterly Meeting

November 2, 2007    Palm Spring Regularly Quarterly Meeting

Chairman Grenda adjourned the meeting at 11:50 a.m.