



MINUTES

HISTORICAL RECORDS COMMISSION

GLENN COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

Thursday, March 27, 2003



Members Present

Gene Walker
Vince Minto
Keith Hansen
Marilyn Rehse
Joanne Overton

Sandy Kennedy
Susie Alves
Al Ball {V}
Linda Greenacre {V}

Others Present

Don Hampton, City Librarian
Di Aulabaugh
Matt Gomes
Pat Rumiano

1. Introduction & Announcements

Gene Walker convened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. and introductions were made.

2. Review and consider letter from Professor Cullen re County maps

Upon discussion, Gene advised that he has located a map dated 1900, which shows land ownership and was adopted as the official County map. In addition, the County has another map dated 1894, which Professor Cullen may be interested in purchasing a reproduction. Vince and Susie advised that map preservationist Dennis Currin from Brown's River, will be in the area in June, and that they would consult with him regarding the cost of having a copy made preserving the original.

Keith questioned if Public Works department might have a particular map. Matt Gomes of Public Works advised that his department has a map dated late 1800's.

Vince advised that he has a spare map case for use by the Commission.

It was decided that Gene would contact Professor Cullen to advise him that the County has a map dated 1900 and are currently looking for others mentioned in his request, and also question what he intends to do with the maps, such as, possibly place with the Library of Congress, and if he would consider paying for a second copy for the County.

Matt stated that he would look for other maps requested by Professor Cullen.

3. Hold discussion and consider implementation on the following:

a. Map inventory and method of finding in Board of Supervisors Minutes
Upon discussion, it was decided to research Board Minutes.

b. Continue inventory of records in Memorial Hall
Gene advised that there are many records yet to inventory.

c. Old county records stored in basement of Willows Museum and ultimate disposition
Gene advised that there are three types of records stored at the Museum: 1) Articles of Corporation filed with the County Clerk; 2) Newspapers dated from 1887 to 1909, and that

newspapers dated from 1909 on are maintained at the County Library; and 3) Assessor records, which have been microfilmed.

Don stated that newspapers at the Library have been microfilmed. Gene suggested that the originals should be preserved. Vince and Gene will look at the records at the Library and possibly retrieve and consider preservation.

d. Continue efforts re Law Book sales

Joanne advised of a “Friends of the Library” book sale on April 8th, also Orland will be holding a book sale at the St. Dominic’s Church soon. Gene advised that the Commission needs to establish a price before offering the sale of the books, and offered several websites that he has accessed, including www.lawbook.com, which could possibly give the value.

Marilyn questioned if Keith had spoken to the Law Library Board of Trustees re wanting 50% of the proceeds of the sale of the books. Keith advised that he will be meeting with the Board of Trustees tomorrow and will inform the Commission of the outcome.

e. Available records of Assessor re map inventory & land ownership

Efforts will be made to research necessary records to locate certain maps and document as they are inventoried.

4. Other matters

Gene advised that he located a book titled “The Law Book Price Guide: A Market Value Reference for Antiquarian, Out-of-Print and Rare Law Books and Documents and Other Law-Related Material” through the site www.Lawyerviews.com for \$25, and recommended purchasing it for the Commission’s use. Vince advised that he had funding and would purchase the book.

Joanne shared the Lithograph of the Declaration of Independence, which she had professionally framed for \$200, and will be hung in the Courthouse along with other historical pictures. The Lithograph was produced between 1870 and 1875. Discussion was held regarding the sale of the remaining Lithographs to the public in order to help fund the Commission’s preservation project. Vince advised that he could also pay for the framed Lithograph from allotted funding.

Discussion was held re notifying interested antiquarians of the Commission’s inventory. It was suggested to scan the list of inventory of the old law books and email to interested parties. Al Ball advised that he had taken some digital pictures of some of the books, and could also be attached with the inventory.

Pat Rumiano expressed an interest in volunteering her time to help with the map inventory.

Further discussion was held regarding the reproduction of maps, and Pat suggested checking with the Cemetery Districts to make sure that the work of the Commission is not being duplicated. It was requested that Pat consult with the Districts on this matter.

Don submitted catalogs pertaining to restoration of documents for the Commission’s use.

5. **Consider member work schedule**

Upon discussion, the Commission decided to continue inventory on the following days:
April 9th & 10th – 9:00 am to 12 noon and April 23rd & 24th – 9:00 am to 12 noon.

6. **Schedule next meeting** – The next meeting is scheduled for **April 24, 2003** at **9:00 a.m.** in the **Board Conference Room.**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Distribution: All County departments, Board of Supervisors, Vince Minto, Keith Hansen, Gene Walker, Marilyn Rehse, Joanne Overton, Sandy Kennedy, Susie Alves, Linda Greenacre (v), Al Ball (v), Pat Rumiano (v), Di Aulabaugh, Connie Oreggia, Jack Campbell, Don Hampton