

**CITY OF SANTA MARIA
LANDMARK COMMITTEE
MINUTES
January 12, 2010
Santa Maria Library, Study Room C
4:00 p.m.**

1. Call to Order:

Committee Chair Dick Hall called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call:

Dick Hall, Chair	Present
Judi Kincaid	Absent
Marjorie Martin	Present
JoAnn (Joey) Wilson, Secretary	Present
Edward (Jim) Zemaitis	Present

- 3. Minutes:** Minutes of the December 8, 2009 meeting were not available. The committee reviewed notes taken at the meeting, and tentatively approved the minutes.

- 4. Communication:** Camp Fire USA Central California Coast Council District Director, Joey Hughes, wrote by E-Mail to Joey Wilson that the C.F.USA Board will meet at the end of January to consider approval of the Camp Fire Cabin, situated at the SE corner of Buena Vista Park, be designated a Place of Historical Merit. She will inform the Landmark Committee of their decision after the meeting.

5. Old Business:

- a. Continue discussion of plaques for Objects of Historic Merit.** Chair Dick Hall brought up the plan to install the plaques, and whether the Landmark Committee should begin approaching the Santa Maria City Council regarding approval of the plan and the costs of installation. Because of the financial difficulties facing the city government at this time, the board decided to table the plans for the plaques until later.
- b. Consideration of the Robert Easton home for special designation:** After reviewing the oral and written history of Robert Easton, it was determined that the dates of the moving and additions to his home are correct. Dick had a telephone conversation with Hal Johnston, who is doing research on William Weeks, the architect of the Easton home. He will inform the committee if he finds any information regarding Architect Julia Morgan's work on the additions done to the home in approx. 1927-28. Judge Flores is agreeable to possibly accepting a special designation. The Landmark Committee is invited to tour the house in February. Dick will be making the arrangements.
- c. Consideration of Camp Fire cabin as an Object of Historical Merit:** Assuming the Camp Fire USA Central Coast Council board accepts our special designation, an approval from the Santa Maria City Council will be required. After approval, an award ceremony can

take place in July, which is the 100th birthday celebration of Camp Fire. A certificate will be framed for presentation. Joey will be checking on the type and availability of frames.

- d. **Consideration of Beacon Motor Apartments as an Object of Historical Merit:** Jim will find the name of the person to contact at Teixeira Farms, so we can inform them of our interest in awarding a special designation to the apartments.
 - e. **Continue discussion of Knights of Pythias building as an Object of Historical Merit:** Jim reported that the building's owner will not accept a designation as a Landmark, but he is willing to accept an award as an Object of Historical Merit. Jim will pursue final negotiations.
 - f. **Review photos for Landmark Panel for McClelland Street kiosk:** Pictures are all available. Dick will finalize the project.
 - g. **Review updated flyer for Landmarks:** The committee approved the pictures and placement on the updated flyer.
6. **New Business:**
- a. **Election of committee officers:** Dick Hall chose to retire as Chairperson of the committee. The committee unanimously approved appointment of Edward (Jim) Zemaitis as Chairperson for 2010. The committee thanked Dick for his exceptional leadership in 2009. JoAnn (Joey) Wilson accepted the position of Secretary for 2010, predicated on her renewal on the committee by the S.M.C. Council this month.
7. **Announcements:** The next meeting will be February 10, 2010, 4:00 P.M., Library, Rm. C
8. **Adjournment:** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,