

**Minutes**  
**BOARD OF MUSEUMS AND HISTORY**  
**September 11, 2015**

**Location**  
**The Lost City Museum**  
**721 S. Moapa Valley Blvd.**  
**Overton, NV 89040**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Robert Stoldal, Chairman  
Bryan Allison  
Alicia Barber  
Sarah Cowie \*  
Renee Diamond  
Pete Dubé \*  
Doris Dwyer \*  
Daniel Markoff  
Robert Ostrovsky  
Anthony Timmons

**BOARD MEMBERS EXCUSED**

Seth Schorr

**DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS STAFF PRESENT**

Claudia Vecchio, Director, Department of Tourism and Cultural Affairs  
Peter Barton, Administrator, Division of Museums and History  
Rebecca Palmer, Historic Preservation Specialist II, State Historic Preservation Office  
Carrie Edlefsen, Administrative Services Officer II, Division of Museums and History \*  
Deborah Rabe, Administrative Assistant III, Division of Museums and History \*

**GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE**

Jim Bertolini, Historic Preservation Specialist II, State Historic Preservation Office  
Elyse Jolly, Historic Preservation Specialist II, State Historic Preservation Office  
Tom Fransway, Berry House, Humboldt County, Winnemucca (Teleconference In)

1. The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:00am. Roll call was taken and quorum was confirmed and present. The meeting was posted in accordance with NRS 241. (1, 2)
2. New member Tony Timmons was introduced to the Board.
3. There was no public comment. (3)
4. The Board approved the Meeting Minutes of the June 19, 2015 meeting after making two corrections. Renee Diamond and Doris Dwyer both cited corrections. Renee Diamond moved, Robert Ostrovsky seconded, approved without dissent. (4)
5. Chair took Item No. 5, Calendar for next meeting.

5A, had nothing additional and was already voted on.

5B, a motion was made and a second by Doris Dwyer for March meeting to be March 11<sup>th</sup>, Friday, at the Railroad Museum in Carson City.

5C, discussed scheduling for Board Planning Retreat. Was not a formal motion. Decided that there is need for a facilitator, two-day planning session located in potentially in Reno in the Spring of 2016. (5A, 5B, 5C)

6. Chair took Item No. 6A1, State Register of Historic Places. The Board considered the application of Berry House, Humboldt County, Winnemucca. Mr. Pete Dube made a motion to approve, seconded by Member Renee Diamond and approved without dissent. (6A)
7. Chair took Item No. 6B1, National Register of Historic Places. The Board considered the application of Douglass-Frey Ranch, Churchill County, Fallon. Ms. Doris Dwyer made a motion to approve. Mr. Pete Dube seconded the motion and it was approved without dissent. (6B)
8. Chair took Item No. 7, National and State Register Overview and Training. Mr. Jim Bertolini presented a National and State Register overview and training for informational purposes and discussion. (7)
9. Chair took Item No. 8, Agency Reports.
10. The Board reviewed the Agency Report of Department of Tourism and Cultural Affairs. The main point discussed was the relationship with China. Also discussed the marketing efforts and direction. (8A)
11. A break was called and the Board dispersed for 10 minutes.
12. The Board reviewed the Agency Report for the State Historic Preservation Office. Ms. Rebecca Palmer presented a report and opened up for discussion.
13. The Board reviewed the Agency Report for the Divisions of Museum and History. Mr. Peter Barton informed the Board of a legislative audit that took place focusing on State Museums in Carson City, Las Vegas and the Railroad Museums. The report is not public but findings were relatively benign. (8C1)
14. Mr. Peter Barton discussed the Personnel Report highlighting Carrie Edlefsen for completing an 18-month program to become a Certified Public Manager in Nevada. He also discussed a variety of open positions and recruitment. Mr. Barton also discussed the license plate factory and its relocation. (8C2)
15. The Board discussed and reviewed consideration of special gallery naming for Retired Board Member Janice Pine. Mr. Daniel Markoff made a motion to approve, Ms. Renee Diamond seconded, and was approved without dissent for the naming of a gallery in the Reno History Gallery. (8C3)
16. The Board discussed and reviewed the consideration of a letter of support concerning threats to funding of Nye County Museums. Mr. Daniel Markoff made a motion to approve and Mr. Tony Timmons seconded; was approved without dissent to write a letter of support. (8C4)
17. PIO Felicia Archer presented a report of the efforts they have made. She also noted a program on the Travel Channel, Monumental History that Senator Key Pittman will be on. (8D)
18. The Chair took Item 8E, Board Reports. The Board discussed in detail 8EB, OSHA Violation. There was a motion and a second for approval of repairs to the compact storage that failed. It passed without dissent. (8EA, 8EB)
19. The Board took recess for lunch.
20. The Chair took Item 8E2, Nevada State Museum, Carson City. Mr. Peter Barton discussed the Annual Coin Show report. (8E2)

21. The Chair took Item 8E3A, Nevada State Railroad Museum, Carson City. Mr. Pete Dube made a motion to approve the deaccession of the items listed. Ms. Renee Diamond seconded the motion. The motion was approved without dissent. (8E3A)
22. The Chair took Item 8E4A, Stakeholder Group Meeting, Nevada State Railroad Museum, Boulder City. Mr. Peter Barton gave the report on the meeting. This was an informational item. (8E4A)
23. The Chair took Item 8E4B, Litigation, Nevada State Railroad Museum, Boulder City. Mr. Peter Barton gave an update on the issue. This was an informational item. (8E4B)
24. The Chair took Item 8E5A, Nevada State Railroad Museum, East Ely Depot. Mr. Peter Barton gave an update on the interlocal contracts. This was an informational item. (8E5A)
25. The Chair took Item 8E6, Lost City Museum, Overton for a request to deaccession a taxidermy mount. Mr. Pete Dube made a motion, Ms. Renee Diamond seconded the motion. The motion was approved without dissent. (8E6A)
26. The Chair took Item 8E7, Nevada State Museum, Las Vegas. The Board discussed the update concerning the real property located at 711 South Seventh Street, Las Vegas.
27. The Chair took Item 9, Committee Reports and Appointments. The Chair gave an update on Collections. Mr. Dan Markoff gave the report on Facility Use. (9-1, 9-2)
28. The Chair took Item 9-3, Finance Report. Mr. Robert Ostrovsky briefed the Board on the report from Morgan Stanley. Mr. Ostrovsky asked for a replacement Member to the Finance Committee as Janice Pine is no longer on the Board. Tony Timmons accepted the position. Mr. Ostrovsky asked consideration for establishing a "Major Donor" Committee. He moved for approval, Mr. Pete Dube seconded the motion. The motion to create a Major Donor Committee was approved with no dissent. (9-3-1, 9-3-2)
29. The Chair took Item 9-4, Membership. Mr. Seth Schorr was not on the line to comment. (9-4)
30. The Chair took Item 9-5, Museum Store. Mr. Pete Dube discussed the state of the museum stores. This was an informational item. (9-5)
31. The Chair took Item 9-6, Nevada State Prison. Ms. Alicia Barber gave an update to the Board on the Nevada State Prisons. This was an informational item. (9-6)
32. The Chair took Item 10, Nevada Cultural Affairs Foundation. Mr. Robert Ostrovsky gave an update to the Board. This was an informational item. (10)
33. The Chair took Item 11, Private Funds Budgets Adjustments. The Chair noted there were no changes approved by the Division Administrator. (11, 11A)
34. The Chair took Item 11B1, request from the Board to increase authority in Budget Account 5036. Mr. Robert Ostrovsky made a motion, Mr. Pete Dube seconded the motion to approve the change. The motion passed without dissent. (11B1)
35. The Chair took Item 11B2, request from the Board to establish new authority in Budget Account 5035. Ms. Renee Diamond made a motion, Ms. Doris Dwyer seconded the motion. The motion was passed without dissent. (11B2)
36. The Chair took Item 11B3, request from the Board to establish new authority in Budget Account 5033. Mr. Pete Dube made a motion, Mr. Tony Timmons seconded the motion. The motion was passed without dissent. (11B3)
37. The Chair took Item 11C, Restricted Funds/Donations Received. Board discussed approval of 11C1, the acceptance of restricted funds of \$1,000 from Todd Russell on behalf of the John & Grace Nauman Foundation for the Museum's Nauman Fund. Ms. Renee Diamond made a motion, Doris Dwyer seconded for approval of acceptance of the restricted funds. (11C1)
38. The Chair took Item 11C3 out of order, to accept restricted funds in the amount of \$1,100 from Steve and Wendy Kaplan for the Board Trust Fund. (11C3)

39. The Chair took Item 11C2, to accept restricted funds of \$2,700 from the NV 150 Foundation. Ms. Renee Diamond made a motion, Tony Timmons seconded for approval of acceptance of the restricted funds. The motion was passed without dissent. (11C2)
40. The Chair took Item 12, Public Comment. There was no public comment.
41. The Chair took Item 13, Board Member Comment. There was no Board Member comment.
42. The Chair took Item 14, Future Agenda Items. Mr. Markoff asked to add a report on V&T Coach No.17 to the next Agenda. Other items to include an update on the LoPresti property, the long-range planning and a report from SHPO on the NR/SR process and policies.
43. The Chair took Item 15, Adjournment and adjourned the meeting at 3:20pm.