CLARKSBURG GENERAL PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE Thursday, July 10, 2008 Meeting Minutes

- 1) The meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. and Bob Webber led the Pledge of Allegiance. In attendance were committee members: J. Spain, R. Webber, P. Dutra, G. Merwin, M. Heringer and N. Kirchhoff. Also attending were: Bill and Barbara Fraser, Dave Wilson, Mary McTaggart, Ramona Ruppert-Schlesinger, Jimmy Barsoon, Ryan Bogle, Don and Claire Fenocchio, Ken Wilson, James Reamer, Michelle Stephens, Mark Pruner, Judy Serpa, Richard Marshall, Craig Kirchhoff, Jeff Duarte, Mike Dutra, Mark Wilson, Kathie Merwin. In attendance from Yolo County: Leroy Bertolero, Wes Ervin, David Morrison, and Rick Landon,
- 2) Minutes from June 19, 2008, meeting were approved as written, with a 6-0 vote.
- 3) No action items.
- 4A) Sherriff update: No Sheriff update.
- 4B) Fire Department update: Presented by Mark Pruner: The Clarksburg Fire Department is currently fighting the wildfires due to mutual-aid agreements. The Fire Department is posting information on a bulletin board at the Clarksburg Post Office.
- 4C) School report included Delta Elementary Charter School information from Don Fenocchio: School is out for the summer and recruitment is ongoing.
- 4D) General Plan and AG Update: www.yolocountygeneralplan.org.

 Update provided by David Morrison, Yolo County. The draft will be completed on September 10, 2008, and presented to the Board of Supervisors (BOS) on November 16, 2008. There will be a 60-day public comment period. The County will visit each advisory committee with the plan for feedback. Planning Commission will consider the General Plan in December and present it to the BOS in July 2009 for adoption. Habitat Restoration Plan: Heritage Foundation will share their program in two weeks. The Yolo County general plan will set future policy for all towns and communities. The general plan will not have to re-project its housing element. Once the general plan is adopted, the final numbers for growth will be adjusted. Currently there are approximately 8,000 houses in the county and may grow by 7 percent in the next five years.
- 4E) Ag update under item 5.
- 4F) ND CARES: (www.baydeltaoffice.water.ca.gov/sdb/bdcp/index_bdcp.cfm). Presented by Mark Pruner: State Land Commission maps are held at the commission office and the delta argument is based on restoration. These maps may hold information showing the Bay Delta Plan is not restoration, but changing historical habitat. The number one area being considered by Bay Delta is the bypass and number two area is Clarksburg. The inlet for Clarksburg continues to be north of Freeport. The plan will be in place by the fourth quarter of 2010. Public workshops will be held in the near future by the Delta Protection Commission. The ND CARES steering committee meets every Monday morning at 6:00 a.m. at the Clarksburg Community Church. All are invited to

5) Information/Ag District: What measures can the county take to help Clarksburg? Presented by David Morrison, Yolo County:

Yolo County is number 8 out of the top 15 wine producing counties in the state and Clarksburg accounts for two-thirds of the production.

- A) Permitting
 - 1) Reduce regulation
 - 2) Exempt certain buildings
 - 3) Speed up the process
 - 4) Extend the ag department
 - 5) Information regarding the business license application could be streamlined and standardized allowing business owners to correctly fill out the application them selves.
 - 6) Permit multiple homes on separate parcels with shared infrastructure
- B) Help with water quality?
 - 1) The school wells are an issue the county may be able to help with.
- C) Water system and sewer system?
 - 1) The town has to vote on it and it must pass by 51 percent. The town would have to pay for it.
 - 2) The groundwater ordinance is being reworked.
- D) Incentives (Economic)
 - 1) Low-interest loans
 - 2) Fee waivers
 - 3) Business assistance, start-up
 - 4) Enterprise zone
 - 5) Change in valuation of property
 - 6) Conservation easements
- E) Promotion of the area
 - 1) Wine initiative and information
 - 2) Yolo food and ag program
 - 3) Ag district land use
 - 4) Exempt permits in the ag districts? How will the ag tourism district live alongside the active farms?
 - 5) Should the district be located within the town to minimize conflict with farms?
- F) Farm labor housing:
 - 1) Eviction takes 60 days
 - 2) Children and farm chemicals
 - 3) How to help them become landowners
 - 4) Provide low-income housing
- 6) No public requests.
- 7) No future agenda.
- 8) Meeting adjourned at 9:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Jerry Spain, Chairman