

SHANDON ADVISORY COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES

01 July 2026 7:00PM

CLUB HOUSE AT CRAWFORD W. CLARKE MEMORIAL PARK

Board Members: J. Tallent Joseph, J. Starks, M. Arroyo, J. Toevs, S. Hoy-Hernandez, G. Hoy-Hernandez, S. Howard

Alternates: O. Joseph

Absent: J. Goswick (Alternate)

1. Call to Order – 7:01pm
2. Flag Salute
3. Instructions & Introductions
4. Minutes Review & Adoption
 - A. Moved adoption of May minutes to next month's meeting
 - B. Made amendment to June minutes – add “do not have a Council quorum to adopt minutes” – motion to approve as amended made by J. Tallent Joseph / 2nd by J. Toevs, all in favor
5. Treasurer's Report – S. Howard
 - A. No change to balance, \$4406.47
 - B. Application for operating funds of \$1665 has been received by the SLO County District 1 Supervisor's Office – follow up at next month's meeting.
6. AGENCY REPORTS AND UPDATES
 - a. Sheriff's Department; Templeton Division (Not in Attendance) – report read by S. Hoy-Hernandez
 1. Stats for June 1-30, 2026: 50 calls for service vs. 75 in June 2025. 4 reports taken in 2026 vs. 6 in 2025. Calls in May 2026 – 4 for assault & battery, 1 resulted in report; 2 for disturbances (no report taken); 1 for vandalism resulting in report; 1 for scam (no report taken); 2 for suspicious circumstances (no reports taken). No calls for burglary, theft, or trespassing.
 2. Note that Department will be upstaffing for the July 4th holiday.
 - b. California Highway Patrol; Templeton Division (Not in Attendance)
 - c. Cal Fire; Shandon Station 51 Battalion 5 (Not in Attendance)
 - d. Supervisorial District One – J. Peschong
 1. Surf Net and/or BCI trucks are still in town replacing underground cables to improve internet service for their subscribers, specifically on Calle Carmelita, Calle Arroyo, Sagitta Way, Archer Circle, East Cemetery, etc.
 2. CSA 16 Water System – looking at improvements estimated at \$7.2million; staff are actively pursuing grant funding to cover costs. System remains financially stable with reserves in place. Recent maintenance highlights – a fire hydrant at the CalFire station was replaced “in house” and equipment at well #5 was repaired with minimal downtime.
 3. Issue previously identified regarding County Clerk Recorder's website incorrectly listing 1 position for the Shandon School Board elections; discrepancy corrected to 2 open positions. Staff are working to ensure consistency moving forward.
 4. Received photo of downed sign near west end of park; requested evaluate, repair, or reset by Public Works and Parks Department.
 5. County is preparing a new street sweeping contract through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process, will continue to monitor.
 6. Park restroom vandalism has been dealt with.

7. Update on individual sleeping in Library doorway – individual has been identified through Community Action Team, family has been contacted and is now receiving rehabilitation support.
8. Public Works has completed painting the curb red near crosswalk out front of the post office. If vehicles continue parking in marked area, please call CHP or text John Peschong who will call CHP.
9. Roadside mowing – the county has been mowing streets throughout Shandon, over the next two weeks there are plans to continue mowing; S. Gillis Canyon, Cemetery, and Bitterwater Roads have been mowed.
10. Investigation occurred after receiving a couple of Facebook notifications about an unpermitted event at 1411 W. Centre St.; no event happened.
11. Fireworks remain prohibited in Shandon; there is going to be a big push by the Sheriff and Fire Departments. Fines can reach up to \$1000 per violation and 6 months in jail. Drones will be flying over North County to assist with enforcement and reduce wildfire risk.
12. Memorial Day BBQ was a great success.
13. Certificates of recognition provided by the SLO County District 1 Board of Supervisors for the Shandon School District Employee and Teacher of the Year.
14. Lifeguard staffing – 8 certified lifeguards on staff. In July, the pool will be open Thursday the 2nd, Sunday the 5th, Wednesday the 8th, Friday the 10th. Additional dates will be added; mid-July through Labor Day schedule will be posted online in the next few days.
15. Shandon Emergency Access Road sign was repaired.
16. The handball court looks awesome – kudos to Juliane for being so proactive with the project; will follow up with information on the anti-graffiti paint to cover the mural, which makes it much easier to clean up if it does get graffitied.
17. Mid-State Fair is coming up, July 15-26, students from Shandon FFA will be there. J. Peschong will be the announcer for lambs and goats during the auction last Saturday of the fair (July 25).
18. Still have 1 vacancy on the Bicycle Advisory Commission and 2 vacancies on the Commission on the Status of Women & Girls.
19. County is reviewing water customer billing concerns. If someone receives a water bill and has concerns, please call 805-781-5252.
20. Comment from Joey Ley at library – received notice from PG&E that they will be replacing a power pole on Monday the 13th which will result in two, 30-minute outages, from approximately 8-8:30am and sometime between 3:30-5pm. J. Peschong responded that he will look into it and see if he can get more information sent out to everybody.
21. Comment from community – concerns about dirtbikes being ridden in the park. J. Peschong will follow up with Sheriff's Deputy.
- e. County Planning & Building Department – Blake Maule (Not in Attendance)
- f. County Public Works (Not in Attendance)
- g. SLO County Parks & Recreation (Not in Attendance)
- h. Shandon Community Library – Joey Ley
 1. Closed on Saturday, July 4th
 2. 7/8 @ 11am Reptile Ron at the library
 3. 7/16 @ 2pm Festival Mosaic orchestra concert
 4. Summer Reading Program for teens & adults ongoing, ends August 8th
- i. Shandon Unified School District – report read by Kate Twisselman

1. Two planned board meetings occurred in June – one to have a budget hearing and then another to adopt the budget and sign a new contract for superintendent. The day following, one of the board members resigned, resulting in a special board meeting being held to discuss.
2. There will be three positions up for election this November – two that were already planned (full term, 2026-2030) and one to finish the vacated term (2026-2028).
3. Projects going to the Mid State Fair – industrial arts, pigs, goats, & lambs.
4. Provided a supply list for the elementary and high schools.
5. The septic system work is underway, that is the reason the parking lot is torn up and currently taped off. You will see cars parked on the side of the school until the work is done.
- j. Caltrans District 5 (Not in Attendance)
7. **Open Forum / Public Comment – for items not on the agenda for discussion**
 - a. Comment from Kate Twisselman on behalf of the Cemetery Committee – thanks to Jared Toevs for repairing the squeaky windmill at the cemetery.
 - b. Memorial Day BBQ recap – Maria is working with Susan Howard, reviewing number of tickets sold, etc. to determine how much money will be donated to the County Parks Department. The donation amount is approximately \$3320.79. Clarification provided on donation process – the Shandon Advisory Council supports the event but has no financial ties to the donation; check needs to come directly from non-profit Supporters of the Shandon Valley Community with a special note that the funds are for the Shandon Pool. Maria thanked the community for a great turnout, volunteers for their help, and for the sponsorships. There was a large response by the Sheriff's Department for a call regarding a fight towards the end of the event – no fight was observed.
 - c. Question from one of the Secretaries about how to get reimbursed for printer ink and paper used to circulate materials for the meetings. An expense report with receipts needs to be provided to the Treasurer via email.
 - d. Kudos was given to the school district for the recent graduation ceremonies.
8. Old Business
 - a. Mural Update – Julianne worked with community members Nadine and Khiel, as well as two of the students that submitted chosen artwork, to sketch and paint the mural over the weekend. Everyone agrees that it looks fantastic! There is a request/suggestion from Jennifer Tallent Joseph that a story or blurb be written about the project to showcase the purpose behind it and celebrate those that helped make it happen. This story will be shared, along with photos, to our email subscribers and social media accounts. There was a comment made about needing signed releases if photos of the students will be shared. Plan to circle back next month on the storyline for the handball wall mural.
9. New Business
 - a. Upcoming SAC Elections – election meeting will be October 7th and nominations are due September 2nd. We don't have any full council positions open, but there are alternate positions available; we typically aim for three alternates, and those have a one-year commitment.
 - b. School Supply Drive – this is the fourth year we have done this as a community. Supply list was provided by Dr. Benson, items such as pencils, tape, notebooks, and monetary donations are welcome. Money is used to buy items such as clothes, socks, etc. throughout the year. We will collect items at the August meeting, or folks can bring items to the library, to provide them to the school prior to the first day on the 13th, although donations are welcome at any time.
10. Adjournment
 - a. Motion made by G. Hoy-Hernandez / 2nd S. Hoy-Hernandez Time: 7:37pm

