

**Habitat for Humanity of Merced County
Minutes January 13th, 2009 Meeting #180
Gateway Community Church**

President: Michelle Paloutzian present
Secretary: Genny M Mesa excused
Volunteer/Finance Chair: Patti Houbein present
Public Information Chair: Bill Sanford excused
Family Selection/Partnership: Pete Delacruz Present
Construction Chair: Lyle Allen present
Member at Large: Fred Pillsbury present
Member at Large: Diane Bair present

Vice President: George Gallaher present
Treasurer: Hilda Miranda excused
Administrative Chair: Donna Hall present
Church Relations Chair: Jan Sorge present
Fund Raising Chair: Pat Shay excused
Site Selection Chair: Jim Tolladay present
Member at Large: Kathy Upson absent

MSC: Motion, second, carried

Call to order: 7:101 p.m. by President Michelle Paloutzian.
A quorum was present.

Minutes: December 9th 2008 – MSC – Motion from Fred; 2nd Lyle: Carried.

Devotion:

Fred Pillsbury – read devotion: “Frog hat”

Treasurer’s Report

Committee Reports:

Public Information Report:

Administration:

Donna reported that our insurance is paid for another year.

Construction Report:

Lyle has paid \$750 for a grading fee and \$450 for a fee to begin the lot splitting process. Valley community school will help build our next homes. They will appear in an article in the Merced Sun-Star in the near future. Lyle presented a resolution to honor two employees from the Tolladay architectural firm for their hard work in getting our plans drawn and for helping with engineering work on the present project. Fred moved to approve the resolution with Jan seconding the resolution was unanimously approved. Lyle is working with local hardware/building material retailers and vendors to obtain discounts for materials for our next build.

Lyle is planning a volunteer meeting for Saturday January 17, 2009 at 9:00. Volunteers will sign waivers and become familiar with the project. Pati and Lyle will work to have a volunteer safety or building permit issuance celebration to gauge the amount of volunteer participation we can expect.

Site Selection:

Jim reported that much work needs to be done on the plans before they will be approved. The next step is gaining approval from the city redevelopment committee. Jim also emphasized that we need to have the building permit before getting too involved with volunteers. We can do limited grading but need to go no further until the building permit is issued.

Family Selection Report:

Pete read a partial application from an interested family. Diane and Michelle will meet with Pete to help acquaint him with the forms and the process. Pati will contact a family in LeGrand about our inability to help them with their request to rehabilitate their home. Lyle will contact a lady in Atwater and explain our inability to help her with remodeling her “Granny” house.

Fundraising Report:

Jan will contact SaveMart and Raley’s about card programs where these stores contribute a percentage of the purchases from card holders to organizations.

Church Relations Report:

Jan stated that newsletters were mailed to local churches and that the announcement for an upcoming volunteer event will also be mailed to local churches.

Volunteers Report:

Pati will plan and execute a Kick-off celebration or Safety or Building Permit Issuance celebration at the site on February 7th at 9:00 am.

Nomination Committee Report:

- Devotion Volunteers
February, Lyle
- March, Pati
- April, Jan

Adjournment : George moved to close – Jan 2nd and all in favor. Meeting Adjourned @ 8:08 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by George Gallaher for Genny Mesa