

**VALLEJO HEIGHTS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION
GENERAL MEETING
MARCH 22, 2008**

Call To Order: David Cates called the meeting to order at 10:07 am.

Welcome and Introductions: All present introduced themselves. David provided information on the 10 million dollar Wilson Avenue project. He said that the VHNA coordinated supplying the coffee and refreshments for an Appreciation Day for the Wilson Avenue workers on March 14. On March 15 there was a walk on Wilson Avenue to celebrate the lighting of the newly installed street lights.

Treasurer's Report: Valerie Duda reported that there was \$1,489.45 in the VHNA's bank account.

Neighborhood Watch Speaker: Rich Baker, of the Vallejo Police Department, made a presentation on the Neighborhood Watch program. He explained what neighbors can do to start and maintain a Neighborhood Watch program on their street. He explained the importance of keeping a log to show the date, time and type of problems.

Action Committee:

145 B Street David passed around a draft letter on 145 B Street. The Board is recommending the letter be sent to the Planning Commission representing a neutral position by the VHNA and asking the Planning Commission to make a decision one way or another on the plans. There were no suggestions or objections to the letter. The letter will be sent when the hearing on the proposal and plans is scheduled for a Planning Commission hearing.

Walk the Hill: On May 10 at 10 am VHNA members will do the annual Walk the Hill to pass out the VHNA newsletter and invite residents to attend the annual picnic to be held in Circle Park.

Adopt a Street: The next Adopt a "Street Clean up day will be April 5th at 8 am.

MIRA Theater: Stacey Lowe, MIRA Board President, explained the problems that MIRA has had over the last two years and the efforts being made to bring MIRA up to code. An Action Plan is being developed. Tom Bartee will be a sponsor for MIRA. A \$1,000 donation has been received. On March 29th at 10:00 am a group of volunteers will work on the building.

Graffiti Paintout: Katy Miessner and Bob Weir reported on the volunteer program to remove graffiti. Fifty people have volunteered. Tony Pearsall is assigning team leaders. March 29th will be the next graffiti paintout day. Volunteers will meet on Mare Island and be assigned specific sites to remove graffiti.

Community Development Commission (CDC): Kathleen O'Sullivan reported on the CDC and the block grant program process. The Vallejo Heights area is a designated area because the area has enough low income residents for getting block grant funds. Groups can ask for grant money for roadways, sidewalks, etc. The Commission meets every two months. Since Kathleen's term is ending, the VHNA needs another representative for the CDC.

Next General Meeting will be held on April 26, 2008

Meeting Adjourned at 12:05 pm.

Minutes submitted by Patricia Gatz, Secretary