

Steering Committee Minutes
Perinton Congregations for Greater Rochester Habitat for Humanity
A Ministry of Ecumenical Ministries of Perinton, Inc. (EMP)
May 22, 2023, 7:00 p.m. via Zoom

Attendance: **Church of the Assumption:** Charlie Szilagyi; **Fairport United Methodist Church:** Carlee Brown, Rick Hill (Co-Secretaries); **First Congregational Church:** Dave Conrad; **Mountain Rise UCC:** Nick McClain; **Perinton Presbyterian Church:** Mark Stevens (Chair); **St. John of Rochester Church:** Jay Saylor; **Member-at-large:** Chris Hirschler
Regrets: George Orosz, Dan Killoran

The meeting was called to order by Mark.

GRIB: Mark reported that Greater Rochester Interfaith Builders (GRIB), comprised of the six faith-based coalitions in Monroe County (Perinton, Penfield, Greece, Brighton, Harvest Home, Habitat Interfaith Partnership) has been meeting the third Wednesday of every month at 7:00. The group is co-chaired by Mark and Tom Gillett of Harvest Home. We still need an alternate member from the Perinton Coalition. If anyone is interested, contact Mark.

2023 Build: It will be a two-story house at 108 Ackerman Street in the Beechwood area of Rochester. The homeowner will be Tatiana, a single woman with no children. The tentative date for the foundation dig is July 8. The construction schedule will be available in June. Volunteer registration will be online through Greater Rochester Habitat as it was for the last house. They will fill empty slots if we can't get enough volunteers for our work days. They suggested we do a wall raising rather than a groundbreaking because it would be more apt to generate publicity.

The payment structure will be different from our previous house. Fifty percent will be due before construction and the remainder upon completion. We authorized our \$28,000 for the 2023 build to be paid by June 8. The Penfield coalition is contributing \$32,000 and the remainder is coming from the other four coalitions. Checks will be made payable to Greater Rochester Habitat for Humanity but will be sent to the GRIB treasurer.

Fundraising: Each coalition has a donation page on the Greater Rochester Habitat website for individual contributors, which would be separate from what churches contribute.

GRHFH has asked if we would be interested in having a St. Pauly Textile shed in Perinton to benefit our coalition. They pay by the pound for used clothing, shoes, belts, purses, linens, blankets, and curtains. The United Methodist Church already has a shed, and no one else was interested so we agreed to pass on the opportunity.

Treasurer's report: Current bank balance is \$69,445 (see attachment for full report).

Next meeting: June 26, 7:00 p.m. at Perinton Presbyterian Church

Respectfully submitted,

Carlee Brown

Carlee Brown, Co-secretary
Perinton Congregations for Flower City Habitat for Humanity, a ministry of EMP, Inc.