Meeting called to order at 8:55 AM. All board members present.

CARETAKER'S REPORT: Repaired & patched roads, cleaned out gutters, water-proofed fire house block walls and brick on cabin fireplace. Took 1 week of vacation.

Pres Bell brought up subject of timber cutting out of usual order for discussion prior to arrival of timber man. Don Stephenson read the proposed contract. Pres polled the board individually, and it was unanimously agreed to proceed with timber cutting. This cutting will be a stand improvement harvesting of trees that are mature or diseased to be done with a minimum of disturbance to to forest. M Hildebrand, S Dean that we approve the contract as read by Stephenson. Motion carried.

MINUTES READ and approved with minor correction. FINANCIAL REPORT read and accepted.

## MEMBERS APPEARING BEFORE THE BOARD:

Ron Austin, resident, and a member of our volunteer fire dept, has been attending classes for police officers standardization, a requirement for police and firemen. He suggests a weekly meeting of the volunteer fire dept each Sat at 3 PM to practice skill in operating the truck and fire fighting. M Moody, S Stephenson that we buy 2 copies of the books on the basic post course on police & fire at \$4.20 each. Motion carried.

Don Allenwood inquiring if any progress has been made in searching the titles to determine if there is any overlapping of boundary of his lots and the Scout Camp. Pres replied that Western Title had been making the search on the side without cost to us, but when Allenwood went to them requesting an answer, the Title Co. opened an escrow and completed the report, billing the Ass'n \$50. Elwyn Wallis inquiring who makes the water valve box at his service connection. Reply, the member does.

Everett Akers inquiring about progress in the By-laws. Pres replied he has talked to the Atty, who is working on the corporation setup first and secondly on the rules and regulations.

Mrs Dietrich inquiring about the Sheriff's sale of delinquent lots if there is any control over requirement of a buyer to qualify as a member of the Order. Reply, yes! the buyer must qualify.

COMMUNICATIONS READ: letters from Simpkins, Bradshaw, Micholsen, and Hanscom with arrangements to pay dues; from Setbacken advising of sale of his lot; from J. Dietrich and DeLuca regarding proration of their dues; from Thiemann regarding material charged thru PDM, which he had already paid; Cameron asking Ass'n to help sell his lot; Beauregard reported his son, Gary, was seriously injured in a trampoline accident; Barbara Johnson, real estate agent in Long Barn, offering to list property resales; U.S. Forest Service sent an "Application and Permit to Burn' form to be used by the Park to burn the refuse pile in meadow. Sec will reply as indicated.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Roads - Blacktopping is done for this year except for the divided section of Jordan way, which will be done this week, weather permitting. Water - Com will make further investigation of possibilities of developing the new spring recently located. Sec read copy of letter she sent to City of Manteca re purchase of salvage hydrants. Real Estate - No sales this month. Equip - Various strike delays have held up delivery of our new HD truck. Wausau snow plow will arrive next week. Dump bed is ready & waiting. The loader required more repair, but is essential to keep running. The gas storage tank has a small seepage leak, not repairable. Recommends we purchase a new tank, wholesale, from Modesto Tank & Welding. M Moody, S Cakebread purchase be made. Motion carried. Blgs & Health & Safety - Doors to Rec Hall need automatic

closures. Porch floor needs solid flooring in coke machine area. Dean will handle. Recreation - Toboggan run is marked and trees felled. Lake can be drained now. Finance - M Stephenson, S Hildebrand that we pay off the \$\frac{4}{5}000\$ note at Mother Lode Bank. Motion carried.

Pres called a recess to hear Mr Joe Martin, Jr, logger, regarding the proposed timbering. The contract approved by the board is satisfactory to him. He can start tomorrow. The contract calls for a \$10,000 prepayment, with semi-monthly payments as logs are delivered to the mill. M Moody, S Hildebrand the contract be accepted. Motion carried. Check for \$10,000 received.

OLD BUSINESS: Stephenson read the amended rental agreement for use in Rec Hall rentals. M Lee, S Cakebread we accept this agreement with minor changes. Motion carried. Copies will be ready shortly.

Lee reported filing small claims actions on 4 members. All others have paid or made arrangements to pay.

NEW BUSINESS: M Moody, S Lee that \$335.19 balance owed by Hughins, who sold his lot, be written off as uncollectible. Motion carried.

Fire House phone is required by Tele Co to be on a business line. We are on a line with I business, who will be contacted with request to relinquish line for fire emergency.

Lee reported receipt of \$65 from J. Freitas for his share of repairing Wheeler Rd. Sec will send note of thanks.

Moody suggested sympathy cards be sent to families on death of Mr. B.T. Bradshaw and Mr. Bartholomew and a get well card to Gary Beauregard.

M Dean, S Lee that we purchase paint for Rec Hall now at favorable price offered by Everett Akers. Motion carried.

Applications for membership by:

Jan Reed, a member of Hayward Rebekah #26, Hayward. Raymond DeLuca, a member of Hughson #461, IOOF, Hughson. Albert E Goman, a member of Romero #413 IOOF, Gustine.

Joseph H Dietrich, and his wife, members of Capitol #87 and Martha Rebekah #329 Sacramento.

Jean C Kuc, a member of Sunnyvale Rebekah #363, Sunnyvale. Everett L Baker, a member of Fountain #503 IOOF, Albany. M Hildebrand, S Dean they be accepted. Motion carried.

Applications for Hall reservations from:

BSA #618 for Jan 25-26, with \$60 deposit. Harry Gai sponsor.

Star of the Sea for Feb 9-10, with \$40 deposit. Harry Gai sponsor.

Bethel #298 for Feb 16-17-18. Deposit previously made. Betty Young sponsor.

Y's Guys, for Mar 15-16 with \$10 deposit. Walter Fowler sponsor.

St. Lucy's Council for Mar 22-23-24, with \$40 deposit. Betty Young sponsor. M Harmer, S Fridrich they be approved. Motion Carried.

Minutes read back for publication. Meeting adjourned at 12:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted.

Margery W. Lee, Secretary.