

**VBEA DIRECTORS MEETING
JANUARY 10, 2009**

PRESENT: Steve Juk, Mary Margaret Hamlett, Jane Latter, Tony Greene, Charles Chase, Barbara Schneider, David Birnbaum, Larry Hays

Guests: Stan Fossick(chair Parks and Recreation Board), Steve Prather & Matt Woodard (Chas Hawkins Co)

- **MINUTES**

PROPOSED BY Charles Chase and seconded by Barbra Schneider that the minutes from the last meeting be accepted as presented - adopted unanimously – emailed to all members before meeting

- **TREASURER’S REPORT**

Not presented at this meeting

- **PRESENTATIONS**

Charles Chase presented: a power point presentation that he prepared to present to the city and any other potential partner in our search for a new home for the VBEA – several changes were suggested and accepted by all. Key point is to make the presentation short (less than 5 minutes), concise and clear what our expectations are. We will have on hand greater details on our presentation for anyone present that may want them.

Stan Fossick, Chair of Parks and Recreation responded by agreeing to arrange that this be presented to his committee and possibly other interested parties in the city gov’t.

He talked about several available sites for relocation and what our next steps could/should be.

Chas Hawkins Co. presented: a property (1.25 acres) on Sidco and Thompson Ln. It is actually 2 properties, one with a brick/block warehouse and green field for a potential parking lot (asking \$485,000) and the 2nd property is adjacent to this lot with an existing parking lot (\$515,000). Renovations to warehouse are estimated to be \$270K and another \$90,000 to renovate the existing parking lot.

The warehouse would not be purchased immediately and the rent would be \$4200/month. We would rent until the existing owner dies or in 10 years , which ever happens first.

- **PLEDGE LETTER**

It was proposed by Mary Margaret and seconded by Larry Hays and passed (5 for, 1 opposed and 1 abstention) that a pledge letter be sent to all members now so that we can get an estimate of how much cash we might expect to be able to amass for a future building.

- **NEW BUSINESS**

David Birnbaum presented a request from a member that the Saturday game start at noon instead of 1 p.m. – After discussion, David agreed to return this request to the member and ask that they obtain a petition to see if the majority of members would like this also.

Caryl Schenker had asked that a 0-750 game be run beside the 299er game on Wednesday afternoons. Pros and cons were discussed and it was decided to table this until next month.

Psych bidding was discussed and no decision was made regarding its legality or not – at present the VBEA has no rules about it.

Steve Juk
President

Jane Latter
Secretary