

Developmental Disability Services of Jackson County - eitas

Property Committee Meeting

October 21, 2009

Topic/Issue	Minutes	Summary of Action Taken or Pending
Attendance	Betty Sharp, Tom Davis, Don Saxton and Barbara Winkler, Board Members. Jake Jacobs, Nancy Nicolaus, Marvin Blake and Kathleen Ganaden, Staff. Brian Hogan, Guest.	
Call to Order	Tom Davis, Board Vice-President called the Property Committee meeting together at 4:38 PM at the Administrative offices of Developmental Disability Services of Jackson County located at 8508 Hillcrest, Kansas City, Missouri.	
Update on Properties - Marvin Blake	<p>Marvin Blake, Properties and Facilities Coordinator came before the committee to make his monthly report. Mr. Blake shared that the renovation and remodel of the former Nova Center building in Grandview is in progress and going well. Foundation Warehouse administration will occupy the building which is across from the Foundation workshop. Upon completion of the renovation the agency will have new administrative offices.</p> <p>Mr. Blake shared that some roofs on some of the properties need to be recoated to prevent leaks. All eitas properties have been winterized and maintenance is done on an as needed basis.</p>	Information
New Business	<p>Brian Hogan, Executive Director for Blue Valley Industries came before the committee to make a presentation for funding of additional parking spaces at the Blue Valley facility and inside renovation of the workshop.</p> <p>In the presentation it was shown that 6 or more additional parking spaces could be available with the removal of several concrete posts in the parking lot and with the utilization of empty grass area even more spaces available if made into a parking lot.</p> <p>Inside renovation of the facility would include the removal of one back interior wall and partial removal of another wall. Removal of the walls would permit the agency to reconfigure the work and dock areas and thus redistribute the weight load on the floor which has been of concern since the workshop obtained a contract for the packaging of</p>	

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New Business Continued	<p>lawn mower blades. The proposed renovation would also be in compliance with recommendations from the structural engineer.</p> <p>Tom Davis made the suggestion to proceed expeditiously. Jake Jacobs, Executive Director asked Marvin Blake to get some numbers for the renovation and asked Mr. Hogan to follow-up with the structural engineer regarding the renovation. Also, at this time it is felt that concentration on the safety aspects of the facility is a priority and at a later date come back to the committee with the parking lot request.</p>	Information
Old Business	<p>For new committee members, Brian Hogan made a presentation regarding the greenhouse project. Pictures and comments relating to a 2007 visit to a greenhouse in Oregon that employs people with developmental disabilities was shared as well as plans for a Kansas City greenhouse employing people with developmental disabilities.</p> <p>Mr. Jacobs shared with members that plans to utilize space for this project at the Kansas City Parks and Recreation former greenhouse space in Swope Park is no longer an option and that the proposed greenhouse will now have to be built on eitas property. It was also explained that funding for this endeavor has been on hold until other issues were resolved.</p> <p>Following a brief discussion regarding the greenhouse project it was apparent that all members were in favor of going forward with the project. Mr. Jacobs asked Mr. Blake to get a stake survey of the eitas property where the greenhouse is to be built.</p>	
Public Comment	None.	
Adjournment	<p>There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 PM. Following adjournment members were given a brief tour of the 8511 Hillcrest building.</p> <p>Respectfully submitted, Staff</p>	