

TOWN OF HIGHGATE SELECTBOARD MEETING

Thursday, July 26, 2017 @ 6pm
Executive Session @ Highgate Sports Arena

Approved Minutes

NOTE: All actions taken are unanimous unless otherwise stated.

Present were Dick Wilcox & Tom Dacres - VHV, Mark Gilbert, Don Gilbert, Ryan Maskell, Steve LaFar, Randy Connelly, Bruce Butler, Josh LaRocque, Sharon Bousquet, Heidi Britch-Valenta, Ty Choiniere, Brian Spears

The group met to discuss the dehumidifier at the arena which was installed by VHV and has failed to meet the needs of the arena despite a recent upgrade to the system.

Dick offered the Ice Rink Guide as a reference for standards. He believes the problem is caused by the arena's cold temps and suggested a heater. He also noted that the arena is not air tight and that this is the cause of the issue.

Mark Gilbert cited several other arenas that have very cold temps and they are not experiencing the fogging and moisture on the glass.

Dick said that they use Munter systems which require much more energy. He believes these units would serve the arena well.

It was noted that the original RFP was for these units but VHV suggested an alternate which was installed at their suggestion. They noted the RFP referenced a 40 degree building.

Josh explained that the team did a site visit and understood the characteristics of the site prior to bidding. Then again they offered a solution for our building after knowing the conditions.

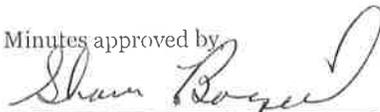
The various changes that have been made to the system to attempt to rectify the problem were discussed. The need to document all changes and issues with as much data as possible was discussed. Ty suggested VHV create a form that would encompass all of the data that would be useful so they could just fill it out easily.

Dick suggested trying to get more information about the building envelope to understand heat loss by contacting Efficiency VT to do a blower test.

The committee expressed a concern for the approaching season and the need for a resolution. Dick said he would get back to us in a week or two.

The meeting ended at 8:30.

Minutes approved by



Sharon Bousquet - Chair, Highgate Selectboard