

**CITY OF WALKER**  
**COMMISSION/STAFF MINUTES**  
**June 21, 2010**

Mayor VerHeulen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor VerHeulen, Commissioners: Holt, Parent, Versluis, and Deschaine.

Absent: Commissioner Kent and Commissioner Stek.

Also Present: City Manager Vander Meulen, and Mike Slobodnik, and Kenowa Hills Hockey representation.

Kenowa Hills Hockey would like to propose the construction of a locker room at WIFC. The construction cost would be from private donations. They would like to have the locker room constructed prior to the 2010-2011 seasons. This will be a partnership with Kenowa Hills Hockey and WIFC. The concept would be for Kenowa Hills Hockey to fund the construction and the City of Walker would maintain, heat, and cool the addition.

Other features discussed: Consider building it in a way that it could be expanded.

A second sheet of ice is not a viable option now, nor, in the near future, however, if this locker room construction occurs it would prevent the second sheet of ice to be added on the current pending foundation that is already in the ground.

This locker room will also benefit both Kenowa Hills Hockey and WIFC. There will not be a rent cost to Kenowa Hills; however, if they are not using it, WIFC can rent it out to other districts.

The City of Walker cannot help fund this project, however, the City Commission was in favor of this project and approved moving forward with project details. It was a concern that this addition look like it blends in and belongs, rather than stand out.

Mike Slobodnik stated: "If economically this can be built and fit into the future plans of WIFC, it will be beneficial to WIFC. Mike also gave an update on the Recreation department merger with WIFC. Soccer applications are coming into WIFC. The training and coordination is working very well.

Catherine Garcia-Lindstrom arrived.

Catherine stated Jason Howe graduated from Sergeant schooling this week. The proximity reader upgrade was recently completed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Bydalek CMC  
City Clerk