



**Minutes of the February 11, 2009 Langley Research & Development Park**

**Business Association Meeting**

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Old Business:

1. **Signage Fees:** The Association discussed with City staff which group should be collecting the signage fees. Through email discussions between the Association Board and City staff following today's Association meeting, it was agreed that the City should be responsible for collecting signage fees from participating park businesses and that the Association should simply collect the membership fees. A memo (attached) was drafted by the Association to establish the roles and responsibilities with regard to the signage. This memo was accepted by the City.
2. **Magruder Construction:** The intersection at the entrance to the business park will be re-done at the end of the construction (est. spring 2010), including new landscaping. The IDA will provide an update on these plans to the Association at the March LR&DBPA meeting.

New Business:

1. **Hampton Police Visit:** The Hampton police attended the meeting to address vandalism and theft in the park as well as the increase in teens wandering through the business park at various times of day and whether these teens were from Bridge-port Academy. The point was raised that one of the concerns that the Association voiced to the City prior to the establishment of Bridge-port Academy was that of the teens from the school wandering through the business park. At that time, the City assured the Association that the teens would arrive and be picked up by bus or car and that no students would be allowed to drive to school. According to Hampton Police, the teens are running off of the property at the end of school rather than boarding the bus. The officers also reported that there has been a marked increase in crime in the park, but could not necessarily correlate the increase to the establishment of the Bridge-port Academy. There were 24 reported incidents in 2008 compared with less than a handful of incidents being reported in

recent prior years. 2008 crimes were primarily salvageable metal-related incidents, vandalism, burglaries and larcenies (mostly auto). The officers reported that there was a warrant for the arrest of a person who has burglarized in the park. The Hampton Police will provide a description of the person to the Association so that this can be circulated to the businesses in the park. Officer Snyder said that he will discuss the Bridge-port Academy bussing issue with the Principal, Mrs. Sharp. If any Bridge-port Academy students are off-premises, this should be reported to the School Resource Officer (SRO) at Bridge-port Academy or directly to Officer Snyder on his cell at 268-6558. Dan Girouard of the IDA reported that there has been rampant 4-wheeling at Hampton Roads North Campus and that the IDA is prepared to prosecute if the people can be caught. The police suggested using deer cameras (available at BassPro) to try to record video since this would be key in prosecuting the offenders.

2. It was agreed that the web site would be reviewed at the March meeting since there was not sufficient time at the February meeting to adequately review the new site.

Announcements:

1. The next meeting of the Langley Research & Development Park Business Association will be held Wednesday, March 11, 2009 at STC.