

SUN CITY WEST METAL CLUB

Special Membership Meeting Minutes - April 1, 2009

This special meeting was called to have members vote in favor of, or to oppose the Board's recommendation regarding moving the Welding Area from the front of this building to the rear of this building. The Board's proposal was made in consideration of the health and well being of our members and guests.

The front of this building is cooled by refrigerated air. Ventilating the Welding Area to the outside would create an unacceptable increase in utility costs. Failing to ventilate the Welding Area would permit the polluting effect of the toxic fumes circulating within the shop to continue.

An additional hazard exists to members and visitors who are using pacemakers or defibrillators in an area with strong electromagnetic fields created in the welding process.

The rear of the shop is equipped with evaporative coolers which expel air into the atmosphere. There are also two overhead doors and two hinged doors that could be used to increase the flow of fresh air to the proposed Welding Area.

We have secured approval of the fire department to make such a move providing we erect a fire retardant wall between the Paint Booth and the proposed Welding Area. The cost of such a move would cost the club well under (\$3000.00).

The Discussion of this move, together with models designating the new Welding Area site, has been discussed for several months and members have been kept aware of this proposal from the beginning.

At this point I would entertain a motion from the floor to approve the Recommendation of the Board of Directors, After such a motion is seconded and questions from the floor the floor responded to we will, by secret ballot vote either – (A.) In Favor of the Board's Recommendation or – (B.) Opposed to the Board's Recommendation.

A motion to approve the Recommendation of the Board of Directors made by Bill Wagner Badge #133, Seconded by Gene Nieman, Badge #486.

A Discussion followed and replies were made to all questions raised relative to the motion.

A motion to call the question was made by Don Smith, Badge #186, Seconded by Bob West, Badge #778 and approved by voice vote.

Secret ballots were then distributed and the final count was::

Of the 128 votes cast, 101 were in favor of the motion; 24 were opposed to the motion; 3 ballots were invalid. The motion carried

An announcement of the outcome was made shortly after tabulation was completed and thanks were extended to all who attended this special meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Si Handzik, Secretary