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Making decisions about what we want to do was discussed.
Should we still use Linux.

Linux is more secure and easier to manage.
There are concerns about getting people used to it. People don't like it because it isn't Windows.
There were a lot of complaints at Seal about Ubuntu.

Getting a portable projector and screen was mentioned. That would make training easier.

A three user license for Windows 7 Pro costs \$327.00
It's about \$300 for a single user license for Windows 7 Pro.

The RAM the computers use now isn't made anymore. It is very expensive to buy.

Long term goals:

One new computer for each hi-rise.

Residents Councils could be encouraged to purchase additional computers on their own.

New computers will have Linux. Hi-rises could purchase Windows themselves if they really want it.

New computers will cost around \$400.

Discrete graphics cards will cost around \$60.

DDR3 memory is dirt cheap.

\$400 a computer is too expensive.

Getting additional memory for the current computers was discussed.

The hi-rises can purchase their own.

\$300 a computer would be \$5100 total cost.

Routers and booster antennas might be other purchases. Routers are \$30-\$40 for low end.

Booster antennas are around \$30-\$40.

Most of the buildings can buy their own. A few backup items would be good though.

No money in the Presidents Council budget for computers this year.

3 routers and 3 booster antennas would be good. Routers with external antennas.

Wi-Fi cards for new computers. \$25 or so each.

Monitors?

3 Printers are still needed.

Privacy screens for the computers would be good.

Security:

Can security be upgraded?

People can still hack into things after we secure them.

There was another incident of downloading child porn recently.

Check under hotspot settings on the new router.

VPNs can be blocked. (That isn't foolproof though.)

OpenDNS can be put on the routers.

Work on a splash screen for routers.

Look into Ubuntu One and Skydrive for online storage.

Remote access would be helpful for troubleshooting.

Team Viewer is a good option. Remote sessions could be set so they have to be initiated by someone on the other end so there would be no accusations of someone going on the computers and changing things without the administrator's knowledge.

A VPN connection would be good.

Computer managers could check OpenDNS logs once a month.

Rattana's work plan:

He should not do training himself.

He can look for interested computer managers and design training for them.

He can also post flyers about the computer manager position.

Training will be in early September.