Steve,

I think Larry Fleming mentioned that he thought it a good idea to setup VSPA emails for job-specific titles, such as: VSPA.President@gmail.com. This is actually a timely matter.

As you know, Larry Poss and I are working our VSPA five-year-plan to make it easier for someone to replace us should either of us suddenly find ourselves trying all our keys to open the Pearly Gates.

I know zip about Gmail, other than there may be:

* Advertisement included,
* Limitations on numbers of emails sent daily(?).
* And other inconveniences trying to get you to cough up the $6 monthly fee for a full-ride Gmail.

I there are Gmail fees for company accounts, the cost will be determined by how may new Gmail.com accounts we set up. This will dovetail with your expressed concern limiting SPAM and Hackers acquiring personal information from our Board and Staff members.

Can you come up with job-specific titles for VSPA Gmail accounts? Obvious accounts might include:

VSPA.Webmaster@gmail.com

VSPA.Director.Communitions@gmail.com

VSPA.Treasurer@gmail.com

VSPA.1st.Vice.President@gmail.com

VSPA.2nd.Vice.President@gmail.com

VSPA.Membership.Chair@gmail.com

VSPA.Contact.Troubleshooter@gmail.com

VSPA.Donate.Tax-Deductible@gmail.com

VSPA.BX.Store.@gmail.com

I’m sure there are many other new Gmail accounts to be considered. You may notice I have used “.” Between account names. A “.” Is valid and presents a more readable email address.

Also, starting all VSPA Gmail accounts with “VSPA” will *sort* them together when someone searches for VSPA info.

If you prefer, you may send this revised or otherwise to the Board for considerations, such as who will be the driver monitoring VSPA Gmails once established? I do not foresee much work. However, someone will have to pay the total monthly fees. I will not do this, as I already pay $45 monthly for Constant Contact’s mass-email project. I also have ongoing renewals for a number of webmaster apps. I just paid $600+ for Office and $99 for Acrobat PDF editing.

My suggestion is for the Treasurer to pay all repetitive VSPA charges, whether monthly or annually. Personally, I have directed Kathy to cancel all credit cards immediately upon my croaking. That will stop all auto payments and renewals. Anyone paying ongoing fees leaves us vulnerable to suddenly stopping something that could definitely impact VSPA’s operation.