

SDC Board Meeting & Citizens Advisory Review Committee

DATE: January 5th, 2011 (approved 01-26-11)

LOCATION: Alegent Hospital

DIRECTORS ATTENDING:

Larry Karel (President)*
Lonnie Kitt (Vice President)*
Jerry Karnatz (Secretary)*
Charlie Heavican (Treasurer)*
Richard Folda
Jeff Gall
David Johnson*
Jon Knutson
Steve Thompson
Brian Vavricek

DIRECTORS ABSENT:

Chris Langemeier

Guests

Cheryl Brandenburgh
Jim McGowen

CARC Members*

Larry Karel
Lonnie Kitt
Jerry Karnatz
Charlie Heavican
David Johnson

Mission Statement: *To provide leadership in facilitating community development and sustained economic growth.*

7:00 a.m.

- Meeting called to order by Larry Karel (President).
- Statement of Compliance with Open Meets Act posted and acknowledged.
- Minutes (12-15-10) approved. 'Approved' Minutes posted @ Schuyler DEVELOPMENT.net.
- LB 840 Revenue / Expenditures report reviewed. Compared to August-October 2009, revenue is up \$3,072 (+6.2%) for the same three month period in 2010.
- YTD SDC Expenses Paid report for the current fiscal year (October – December) distributed to Directors. No action required.
- Jim McGowen, Utilities Department Superintendent, updated Directors on current and pending water / sanitary sewer projects in Schuyler.
- If opportunity would be presented for the City of Schuyler to gain ownership of 302 E. 11th Street (aka, Top Notch Building), SDC Directors recommends the City Council approve the property for the Commercial Building Rehabilitation Program. Prior to Directors' unanimous recommendation, a strong consensus was voiced for the importance of new ownership at the earliest opportunity.
- Cheryl Brandenburgh, DED, discussed the progress of the proposed Schuyler Industrial Park. Marketing of the site will be the next step forward in the long process of site's development.
- Directors provided copies of **LOU (Letter Of Understanding)** recently received from UPRR. Favorable action requested at the January 26th SDC Meeting.
- DEQ has completed the Phase 2 Environmental Assessment for the 95.5 acre Industrial Site. Other than elevated nitrates in ground water, no environmental concerns identified.
- SCS District Residency Progress Report for the 2010-1011 school year reviewed. Noted were all nine (9) SCS Administrators domiciled in school district; seventy (70) Certified Staff (51%) domiciled in school district. After some discussion, Directors were in agreement on 'district residency' remaining an SDC priority and requests an annual update to the Residency Progress Report from SCS.
- Miscellaneous:
 - 82 employment opportunities within a ten mile radius of Schuyler (01/04/11)
 - November unemployment rate for Colfax County was 3.1%
 - Valuation and Tax Rate information updated to online FACTS Book

8:08 a.m. – adjourned

Next **SDC Board Meeting:** **DATE:** January 26th, 2011 (Wednesday)

TIME: 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.

LOCATION: First National Bank