

SDC Board Meeting

July 16th, 2008 (approved on 8-06-08)

LOCATION: Alegent Hospital

TIME: 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.

ATTENDING:

Larry Karel (President)
Jerry Karnatz (Secretary)
Charlie Heavican (Treasurer)
Marv Capoun
Kem Cavanah (EDC)
Richard Folda
Jeff Gall
Brian Vavricek

ABSENT:

David Johnson
Lonnie Kitt
Jon Knutson
Chris Miller

Guests:

Jim McGowen

TOPICS:

7:00 a.m.

- SDC Board Meeting called to order by Larry Karel (President).
- Minutes (06-25-08) approved.
- The proposed 2008-2009 SDC Budget (**SEDPlan** Administration) was reviewed and discussed. During the discussion, Jim McGowen informed the Directors that the Department of Utilities will not provide funding to the SDC for the upcoming fiscal year. The Utilities Department may decide to set aside \$15,000 for a future economic development project. Proposed 2008-2009 SDC Budget will be presented to the City Council at the next Budget Meeting on July 29th. There were no objections.
- Directors reviewed the proposed **2008-2009 Schuyler Housing Production Program (Part I & II)**. Revisions to the Housing Program were lifted up for discussion. EDC will present the 2008-2009 Housing Program to the City Council on July 29th.
- On July 14th a one-hour informal discussion was held between the City, SCS, SDC and the Department of Utilities. The discussion pertained to future plans for the land west of HW 15 (Colfax St.) and north of west 22nd Street – including the Wagner property (42 acres) and the Stoltenberg farm (5.7 acres). Communication, coordination and cooperation were a point of emphasis. If possible, SCS desires to purchase additional acreage for future expansion. EDC stated the need for additional commercial lots adjacent to HW 15 and to create new housing opportunities wherever possible. Both the City and Department of Utilities do not have plans to acquire additional land in this area.
- Lonnie had requested the topic of an access entrance road into the area west of QC. Due to an out-of-town business commitment, Lonnie was unable to be in attendance. It was agreed to have this topic tabled and placed on the 8-06-08 SDC Meeting Agenda.
- The need for recruitment and retention of workers of all skill levels, and the need to expand the housing stock, was again demonstrated by the 333 employment opportunities within a 20 mile radius of Schuyler posted on the Nebraska Workforce web site (Nebraska JobLink).
- Kem advised Directors that he will be addressing the SCS Board Of Education at their July 22nd meeting. He will be providing a brief update on the availability of housing and also discussing the District Residency Policy For Administrators and the relocation incentive for Certified Staff.
- Copies of an Advanced Flood Warning System (Shell Creek) were given to Directors. EDC had presented the same information to the Colfax County Commissioners on July 14th and will be presenting this information to the City Council on July 22nd.

8:00 a.m. - adjourned

Next SDC Board Meeting: **DATE:** August 6th, 2008 (Wednesday)

TIME: 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.

LOCATION: TBA