

Citizens Advisory Review Committee (CARC) & SDC Board Meeting

DATE: June 22nd, 2011 (approved 07/13/11)

LOCATION: Municipal Building

DIRECTORS ATTENDING:

Larry Karel (President)*
Lonnie Kitt (Vice President)*
Jerry Karnatz (Secretary)*
Richard Folda
Jeff Gall
Jeff Schmidt
Brian Vavricek
Gil Wigington

DIRECTORS ABSENT:

Chris Langemeier
Charlie Heavican
Jon Knutson
Steve Thompson

Guests

Jim McGowen
Sue Jacobus

CARC Members*

Larry Karel
Lonnie Kitt
Jerry Karnatz
Charlie Heavican

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 (06-01-11) approved. 'Approved' Minutes posted @ Schuyler DEVELOPMENT.net.
- Effective this date, Directors approved amending the September 15, 1985, SDC Bylaws. Amended Bylaws will be posted @ Schuyler DEVELOPMENT.net.
- As a founding / chartered member, Larry Karel was applauded by fellow Directors for his ongoing 26 year commitment of service to the SDC.
- Jim was called out of the SDC Meeting shortly after its convening and was unavailable to provide a Utilities Department update.
- SDC to be recognized on July 12th at the NENEDD Annual Business Luncheon. Directors are encouraged to attend.
- After seven months into the current fiscal year (October – April), LB 840 Revenue is up +\$2,681 (2.4%) over the previous year.
- Directors recommended to the City Council November 15th, 2011, as the date for the LB 840 Special Election. Recommendation will be considered at the July 5th City Council Meeting.
- During the June 8th Meeting, City Council agreed to take the 'Next Step' for the proposed Industrial Park by authorizing the requested \$30,500 LB 840 expenditure. A request to release the authorized funds and to execute two pending agreements was delayed for final approval until the July 5th Council Meeting.
- On June 21st, Dave Henke and Roger Protzman (JEO Consulting Group) presented the completed sanitary sewer study during a joint study session of the City Council, Board of Public Works and the SDC. Both the findings and future implications of the study were reviewed by Directors. Appears likely the Industrial Park project may be put on hold until the domestic sanitary needs of Cargill can be first met; regardless, constructing a new west sanitary sewer lift station will be required to provide service. Also, Directors suggested requesting an update from Jim on the Utilities Department's 1-3-5 Year Plan.
- Briefly discussed was the implementation of the 2010 Schuyler Downtown Revitalization Plan. In Chapter Five of the Downtown Plan, the Schuyler Development Company was identified as an organization that could provide leadership. An organizational structure to sustain a long-term effort (10 – 15 years) necessary to implement the Plan's downtown redevelopment will be presented at the next SDC meeting.
- Miscellaneous:
 - Directors recommended up to \$10,000 of LB 840 funds be authorized by the City Council to help pay City's \$25,000 expense to complete the Corps of Engineers' 205 Flood Study
 - unemployment in May for Colfax County was 3.3%
 - 468 employment opportunities within a 25 mile radius of Schuyler (06/21/11)

8:05 a.m. – adjourned

Next **SDC Board Meeting:** **DATE:** July 13th, 2011 (Wednesday)
TIME: 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.
LOCATION: Municipal Building