

Citizens Advisory Review Committee (CARC) / SDC Board Meeting

DATE: August 22, 2012 (approved 09/12/12)

LOCATION: Municipal Building

DIRECTORS ATTENDING:

Lonnie Kitt (President)*
Larry Karel (Vice President)*
Jerry Karnatz (Secretary)*
Charlie Heavican (Treasurer)*
Richard Folda
Jeff Gall
Jon Knutson
Chris Langemeier
Jeff Schmidt*
Steve Thompson
Gil Wigington

DIRECTORS ABSENT:

Brian Vavricek

Guests

Jim McGowen

CARC Members*

Lonnie Kitt
Larry Karel
Jerry Karnatz
Charlie Heavican
Jeff Schmidt

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

7:00 a.m.

- Meeting called to order by Lonnie Kitt (President).
- Statement of Compliance with Open Meetings Act posted and acknowledged.
- Minutes (08-01-12) approved. 'Approved' Minutes posted @ Schuyler DEVELOPMENT.net.
- LB 840 revenue (October - June) up \$ 9,017 from the previous year (+6.1%).
- YTD SDC Expenses Paid (October 1 – August 20) total \$49,469. End of fiscal year expenditures projected at 91% of budget.
- Schuyler Department of Utilities update: Jim stated new Frontier substation energized and operational. In the process of finalizing next year's budget; scheduled capital improvement projects most likely delayed due to the summer's additional utility demands impacted by the excessive hot and dry weather conditions.
- Following a lengthy discussion, Directors were in agreement to begin the process for changing current IRS status from 501(c)(6) to 501(c)(3). A new filing for incorporation (Schuyler Community Development) will need to be approved by the State of Nebraska before proceeding with the 501(c)(3) application to the IRS.
- EDC advised Directors their breakfast cost for the Annual Meeting on October 3rd will be \$10 each. Cost includes invited guests.
- Directors recommended amending the Commercial Building Program's current budget from \$60,000 to \$120,000. City Council will consider at their September 4th meeting.
- On 08/21/12, the City Council extended an invitation to Mike Bacon, TIF attorney, to present legal services and fee structure. Date for Mr. Bacon's presentation has yet to be determined.
- Meeting with representatives from Cobblestone Inns was held at Schuyler's Pinnacle Bank on August 14th. A follow-up meeting with both local banks is scheduled for September 6th. Cobblestone Inns' business model requires local investors.
- Top Notch Building: proposals to purchase building as well as contractors' repair cost estimates due at the Municipal Building by 3 p.m. on September 14, 2012. City Council to consider on 09/18/12.
- Miscellaneous:
 - 497 employment opportunities within a 25 mile radius of Schuyler (08/21/12)
 - Northwest Sanitary Sewer Study (JEO) to be finalized in the next few days
 - Verizon Wireless / Z Wireless to open this week
 - Reference updating the 2006 Housing Study, housing survey (bilingual) available online
 - Environmental Study (FONSI) for Industrial Park near completion by NENEDD
 - status of Dowd property unchanged since previous meeting

Next **SDC Board Meeting:** **DATE:** September 12, 2012 (Wednesday)

TIME: 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.

LOCATION: Municipal Building

7:53 a.m. – adjourned

Minutes prepared by Kem Cavanah, EDC