

Citizens Advisory Review Committee (CARC) / SCD Board Meeting

DATE: April 3, 2013 (approved 04/24/13)

LOCATION: NOR-AM Cold Storage

DIRECTORS ATTENDING:

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

DIRECTORS ABSENT:

Larry Karel (vice President)*

Invited Guests

Jim McGowen
Sue Jacobus
David Johnson
Greg Brandt

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 (03-13-13) approved. 'Approved' Minutes posted @ Schuyler DEVELOPMENT.net.
- Schuyler Department of Utilities: 15th & Gold Street sanitary sewer extension project has recommenced and projected to be completed within the next 30 days.
- LB 840 revenue for October - January was \$68,702 (+3.3% from previous year). As of 03/31/13, YTD SCD Expenses Paid were \$28,962 (47.2% of budget). Currently, annualized expenditures projected to be 94.4% with six months remaining in the fiscal year.
- The proposed 2013 Blight and Substandard Study was approved and adopted by the City Council on 04/02/13. Redevelopment Plan to be considered at the May 7th Council Meeting.
- Reference 03/26/13 email pertaining to 'for sale' car parked and unmoved for seven consecutive days at the corner of 11th & Colfax Street, Directors reaffirmed community appearance as a top priority because of its direct impact on property valuation / property marketability and to help facilitate accelerated growth of Schuyler's tax base by protecting both current and future financial investment. A comprehensive review by the City of its regulatory process for code effectiveness appears to be both prudent and necessary; consensus by Directors for the City to focus on a heightened priority for implementing needed changes to ensure prompt and decisive code effectiveness. As stated by the Community Assessment Team at the QCF, all residents needed to sell Schuyler.
- Cobblestone Hotel Project: Next Investors Informational Meeting scheduled for April 11th. Mike Bacon, TIF Attorney, will project anticipated TIF revenue for the hotel project as well as incorporating available local LB 840 funds (Grow Schuyler Incentive & ICC Loan Program).
- Miscellaneous:
 - 479 employment opportunities within a 25 mile radius of Schuyler (03/12/13)
 - Colfax County unemployment 3.7% (February 2013)
 - Chris L. stated Parkview OneStop (formerly, Oakview) will undergo significant exterior renovations the next few weeks - hoping to open by May 1st
- David Johnson and Greg Brandt conducted a 20 minute tour of the recently completed expansion (37,000 sq ft) of the NOR-AM Cold Storage facility.

8:00 a.m. – adjourned

Next **SDC Board Meeting:** **DATE:** April 24, 2013 (Wednesday)

TIME: 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.

LOCATION: Municipal Building