

Citizens Advisory Review Committee (CARC) / SCD Board Meeting

DATE: October 22, 2014 (approved 11/12/14)

LOCATION: Municipal Building

DIRECTORS ATTENDING

Larry Karel (Vice President)*
Jerry Karnatz (Secretary)*
Charlie Heavican (Treasurer)*
Richard Folda
Jon Knutson
Chris Langemeier*
Denise Kracl

DIRECTORS ABSENT

Lonnie Kitt (President)*
Jeff Gall
Jarrod Gillig
Brian Vavricek

Invited Guests

Jim McGowen
Dan Hoelsing
Brian Bywater, CHS

CARC Members*

Lonnie Kitt*
Larry Karel*
Jerry Karnatz*
Charlie Heavican*
Chris Langemeier*

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

7:00 a.m.

- SCD Meeting called to order by Larry Karel (Vice President).
- Statement of Compliance with Open Meetings Act posted and acknowledged.
- 10-01-14 Meeting Minutes approved. Minutes posted @ Schuyler DEVELOPMENT.net.
- Schuyler Department of Utilities: Completed final specifications for the new sanitary lift station on W. 22nd Street – hope to complete construction by end of summer 2015. Handi bus, waste water equipment to be stored in new addition to west shop.
- Schuyler Community Schools: Preschool enrollment continues to increase as the income growth of parents' results in students moving from Head Start to SCS. Phase 1 renovation of preschool building \$3,000 under budget – Phase 2 (2015) will include second floor renovation and adding fire escapes. Parents' pick-up time has been reduced down to 12 minutes at elementary school. 130 students enrolled in After School Learning Program at the elementary – goal is to double enrollment. 67% of middle school students participating in extracurricular activities. High school competitive activities require mandatory drug testing – to date no student (none) has tested positive.
- After eleven months (October - August), LB 840 revenue up \$21,011 (+10.9%). Fiscal year ends September 30th.
- Brian Bywater (Community Housing Specialist) updated Directors; in addition to gaining a thorough understanding of Schuyler's 2012 Housing Assessment Study, he has been focusing on networking, assessing Schuyler's housing stock, and his CHS training. Brian requested to meet with each SCD Director in the near future to discuss housing issues.
- EDC recommended Javier Arizmendi for consideration to fill the vacant Directorship. Due to time constraint, discussion was postponed until the next SCD Meeting.
- S.E.E. (Schuyler Entrepreneurial Enterprise) received its first request (09/16/14) from a Schuyler business owner. Due to the urgency of the request, within forty-eight hours a '911' on-site response was execute by business coaches.
- Miscellaneous:
 - Oct. 23rd RSG Community Celebration – completion of downtown priority project
 - 2.7% September unemployment in Colfax County (161 individuals)
 - 490 employment opportunities within 25 mile radius of Schuyler as of 10/20/14
 - \$7.00 per Director needed for Annual Meeting breakfast
- Summary of Findings (Top Notch Building Feasibility Study & Analysis) presented by ALLEY POYNER MACCHIETTO ARCHOITUCTURE INCOPORATGED (Jay Palu, Abby Hegemann)

8:15 a.m. - adjourned Next **SDC Board Meeting:** **DATE:** November 12th, (Wednesday)

TIME: 7:00a.m. – 8:00a.m.

LOCATION: Municipal Building

Minutes prepared by Kem Cavanah, EDC