

Citizens Advisory Review Committee (CARC) / SCD Board Meeting

DATE: August 5, 2015 (approved 08/26/15)

LOCATION: Municipal Building

DIRECTORS ATTENDING

Larry Karel (Vice President)*
Jerry Karnatz (Secretary)*
Charlie Heavican (Treasurer)*
Javier Arizmendi
Richard Folda
Jeff Gall
Denise Kracl
Brian Vavricek

DIRECTORS ABSENT

Lonnie Kitt (President)*
Jarrod Gillig
Jon Knutson
Chris Langemeier*

Invited Guests

Jim McGowen
Brian Bywater

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.*

7:02 a.m.

- SCD Meeting called to order by Larry Karel (Vice President).
- Statement of Compliance with Open Meetings Act posted and acknowledged.
- Meeting Minutes (07-15-15) approved. Minutes posted @ Schuyler DEVELOPMENT.net.
- Department of Interior has advised SHPO the Top Notch Building's nomination to the NRHP is being returned for additional information. Hope to refile nomination within 90 days.
- Cliff Mesner (Mesner Development) will be in Schuyler on Monday, August 10th, to continue the discussion with both individuals and corporate citizens on the need for private funding to help construct speculative R1 housing within the city limits.
- In Dan Hoelsing's absence, Brian Vavricek stated the bid opening for the new rec building will be August 5th. Also, the SCS Foundation Gold Tournament raised \$5,000 this past weekend.
- CHS, Brian Bywater, presented information on Fair Housing. In 1964, Title VI was signed into law - the foundation for federal fair housing laws. Also discussed was LEP (Limited English Proficiency) – and its impact on municipalities receiving federal grant funding (CBDG).
- During Directors Open Input, EDC presented an Omaha World Herald news article pertaining to the importance of recruiting minorities to better reflect the community being served.
- Infrastructure Update: Utilities Department Superintendent, Jim McGowen, reported the pouring of concrete has been completed and will be laying pipe at the north lift station; wet weather continues to delay construction.
- Miscellaneous:
 - 2.7% June unemployment in Colfax County (155 individuals)
 - 466 employment opportunities within 25 mile radius of Schuyler (08/04/15)
 - September 17th SCD 30th Anniversary Celebration & Homestead Center ribbon cutting
 - October 7th (SCD Annual Meeting)

7:30 a.m.

- Becky Lerch, Colfax County Planning / Zoning Administrator, presented residential zoning regulations for Colfax County. Currently, request for a minimum of 10 acres for non-farming / residential use would be considered. Anticipate minimum to be reduced to 5 acres within the next few weeks. During her presentation, Becky answered numerous questions from Directors. County process for consideration: Zoning Board reviews / recommends, County Commissioners approve / disapprove.

7:52 a.m. - adjourned Next **SDC Board Meeting:** **DATE:** August 26th, (Wednesday)

TIME: 7:00a.m. – 8:00a.m.

LOCATION: **SCS Preschool** (16th & Colfax)

Minutes prepared by Kem Cavanah, EDC

SCD Supports Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity