

Citizens Advisory Review Committee (CARC) / SCD Board Meeting

DATE: March 30, 2016 (approved 04/20/16)

LOCATION: Homestead Center (1119 B Street)

DIRECTORS ATTENDING

Lonnie Kitt (President)*
Jerry Karnatz (Secretary)*
Charlie Heavican (Treasurer)*
Javier Arizmendi
Jarrod Gillig
Jon Knutson
Denise Kracl
Chris Langemeier*

DIRECTORS ABSENT

Richard Folda
Larry Karel (Vice President)*
Jeff Gall
Brian Vavricek

Invited Guests

Jim McGowen
Daryl Holmberg
Brian Bywater
Connie Peters
Dan Hoelsing

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 Lonnie Kitt (President).
- Statement of Compliance with Open Meetings Act posted and acknowledged.
- Meeting Minutes (03-09-16) approved. Minutes posted @ Schuyler DEVELOPMENT.net.
- LB 840 (Oct. - Jan.) was \$70,160. Revenue down \$1,729 (-2.4%) from previous year.
- Infrastructure Update - Schuyler Utilities: Jim McGowan reported dewatering to begin second week in April for extending sewer and water service to the WaterTower 2nd Subdivision. Also, excavation to begin extending water main from E. 22nd Street south along A Street.
- Jarrod Gillig and Connie Peters discussed the new Marathon Near Site Clinic for Schuyler Cargill production employees (hourly) and their families. Tentatively, clinic to open in the next two or three months and to be located on the medical campus of Schuyler CHI Health. Clinic to provide 'wellness coaching', good health practices / preventative care, properly adhering to prescribed medications, and to reduce unnecessary emergency room usage by emphasizing the importance of maintaining 'good health' by building relationships with primary medical providers.
- Schuyler Housing: Brian Bywater (CHS) discussed the Kracl Meadows 2.7 million dollars senior rental housing project scheduled to begin late summer (7 duplexes / 14 units). Also, construction continues to progress on the two spec houses (E. 22nd Street) being built by the Schuyler Home Builders Group and Mesner Development. Lastly, NIFA's Workforce Housing Initiative Pilot Project (WHIPP) remains a strong possibility – assembling the necessary funding components to help buy-down monthly rent below a \$1,000 per unit has been challenging.
- SCS Update: Dr. Hoelsing briefly discussed the 15 targeted priorities identified during this year's Phase 3 Strategic Planning process. Forty high school students have elected to participate in the after-school ACT training to help students achieve higher scores on their ACT Test. SCS staff provided financial incentive to return to college for additional education and training. With the restructuring of behavioral health counselling, the Alternative Ed instruction to be returned from the Rogers School to the middle school and high school buildings and a new partnership formed with East Central Health District. Two specific behaviors modeled by staff and students: respect and responsibility. High school truancy down 85% from a year ago. Scheduled this summer to tuck-point Preschool Building and to replace perimeter schoolyard fencing. New rec building at Middle School to be completed by end of May. Energy study requested for District buildings.
- EDC presented preliminary 2016-2017 SCD Budget – Directors review to continue on April 20th.
- Miscellaneous:
 - 459 employment opportunities within a twenty-five mile radius (03/29/16)
 - Colfax County 2.8% February unemployment rate (158 individuals)
 - April 5, 2016 (effective date for new FEMA Platte River Flood Map)
 - Downtown Schuyler Historic District nomination pending with SHPO (May 2016)

8:09a.m. - adjourned Next **SDC Board Meeting:** **DATE:** April 20th (Wednesday)

TIME: 7:00a.m. - 8:00a.m.

LOCATION: Homestead Center

