

SDC Board Meeting

April 7th, 2010 (approved on 04-28-10)

LOCATION: City Building

TIME: 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.

ATTENDING:

Lonnie Kitt (Vice President)
Jerry Karnatz (Secretary)
Charlie Heavican (Treasurer)
Kem Cavanah (EDC)
Richard Folda
Jeff Gall
David Johnson
Jon Knutson
Steve Thompson
Brian Vavricek

ABSENT:

Larry Karel (President)
Chris Langemeier

Guests:

Jim McGowen

TOPICS:

7:00 a.m.

- SDC Board Meeting called to order by Lonnie Kitt (Vice President).
- Minutes (03-17-10) approved.
- Marv Capoun has resigned from the SDC effective 04-06-10.
- **'Proposed Considerations to FIFund'** were approved by Directors. Kem will review the Proposed Considerations with Mary Peschel - City Council's approval may also be required.
- Reference the **Schuyler Industrial Park concept** ~ developing **'Competitive Preparedness'**, Directors were unanimous in voting their support recommending to the City Council a \$3,000 expenditure from economic development funds requesting a preliminary rail design (10% Rail Design) for the 95.5 acre site.
- Housing Update: Consultants' **Progress Assessment** Results (March 11th, 2010) were distributed and discussed with Directors. Report may be viewed @ **SchuylerDEVELOPMENT.net** (see **RESOURCES**). As outlined in the **Recommended Actions**→, a Housing Leadership Team (HLT) was formed to provide a written report to the Mayor and City Council within 60 to 90 days. In addition to the EDC, Directors volunteering to serve were: Charlie Heavican, Jerry Karnatz, Steve Thompson. HLT will meet on the non-SDC Board Meeting Wednesday mornings @ 7 a.m. – 8 a.m. in the City Building basement.
- Colfax County was awarded a \$689,862 Disaster Recovery grant to evaluate and make necessary restorative measures and repairs to the Hughes-Payzant Drainage Ditch.
- As of January 2010, Sales Tax Revenues were down -9.3% (-\$13,041) from the previous fiscal year. Compared to '07-'08, revenues are up +6.7% (+\$8,050). LB 840 Revenues were down -9.3% (-\$6,521) from the previous fiscal year. Compared to '07-'08, LB 840 Revenues are up +8.4% (+\$4,911).
- Monthly report, **LB 840 Expenditures / Revenues** Estimate, was provided to Directors. Projected 2009-2010 Year-End LB 840 Balance to be \$193,278. Estimate changes monthly.
- Cargill Community Survey results were distributed. Results discussed at next SDC Meeting.
- As of 4-06-10, private donations to the Kracl Garage Fire Fund total \$2,315.
- Miscellaneous:
 - YTD SDC Expenses Paid (Oct. 1 – March 31st) were \$26,353.10 (45.8% of budget)
 - 297 FT / PT employment opportunities within 20 mile radius (as of 04-05-10)
 - February '10 unemployment for Colfax County was 4.4% (250 individuals)
 - Colfax County Net Labor Force +130 in past twelve months
 - Unique Visitors three month average to **SchuylerNebraska.net** was new high (2,449)

8:00 a.m. – adjourned

Next **SDC Board Meeting:**

DATE: April 28th, 2010 (Wednesday)

TIME: 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.

LOCATION: City Building