



## Citizens Advisory Review Committee (CARC) / SCD Board Meeting

**DATE:** 9.16.2020

**LOCATION:** Homestead Center

### **DIRECTORS**

P Lonnie Kitt\* (President)  
P Larry Karel\* (Vice Pres.)  
P Kevin Hoffart (Secretary)  
P Charlie Heavican\* (Treas.)  
P Claudia Lanuza  
P Chris Langemeier\*  
A Jeff Gall  
P Javier Arizmendi  
A Denise Kracl  
P Jon Knutson  
A Sammy Renteria

P Brian Vavricek

### **Invited Guests**

A Jim McGowen  
A Dan Hoesing  
P Jerry Karnatz\*  
P Audra Jedlicka  
P Brian Bywater  
P Daryl Holmberg  
A Dick Seckman  
P Will DeRoos

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

\*CARC Members

The meeting was called to order by President Lonnie Kitt at 7:00 a.m.

The SCD Meeting minutes from 8.26.2020 were approved.

Confidentiality/Conflict of Interest information was presented by Larry. Motion by Charlie, second Chris to accept. Board members will all need to sign.

The Annual Meeting will be October 21, 2020 at Cobblestone. It will be an evening meeting starting at 5:30. The program will start at six, we have a guest speaker Kent Gardner, the new CEO of QC Supply.

Nominations are being accepted for the executive board. President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. Please send Cheryl any nominations for these offices. Please consider volunteering your time to this organization in a leadership role.

Housing Update: Brian Bywater

HDC is working on review of the International Property Maintenance Code. Chief Farber and Dick Seckman have been involved. There are vehicle codes that could be adopted to help within the community.

Residential Housing Construction Update, we have over one million dollars in new construction currently under development.

Residential Lot Availability has been decreasing: There is one lot left with the Schuyler Homebuilders, one lot in the Kehrli addition and 5 lots in the Water tower area. Brian is started dialogue with Gale Mares on a potential new housing addition that would be west of Eastview apartments. There is water and sewer already available in part of this area. This area is also not in the flood zone.

\*The tenant at 312 W 22<sup>nd</sup> street has given their 30-day notice on the home they are renting. They will be out on October 18, and our goal is to have ready on November 1<sup>st</sup>.



Economic Development Update: Cheryl Brandenburgh

Leadership Class started good first day. Great discussion by Dan on the History of Schuyler. Improvement for next year – drive around to see the infrastructure discussed.

Dairy Queen ceremonial groundbreaking will be September 23, 10:00 a.m. Senator Bostelman will attend. Loup Public Power, Schuyler Chamber and City of Schuyler are assisting in the event.

Eyecare Physician. Working with corporate real estate Don Mandel. Contacted again and no response. Will continue to pursue.

Project Silver discussed; value added processing is part of our targeted industry. We had the opportunity to submit a proposal but declined as our lagoon system will not handle the BOD's of this type of processing. This project was 175-million-dollar investment and in 5 years could employ up to 200 people. Competitive wages, salaries and a comprehensive benefit package. 25-30 acres, building size was 240,000 sq. ft, expandable to 350,000 sq. ft.

SCD and the Schuyler Chamber have been invited to attend a meeting hosted by the Columbus Chamber of commerce on the Highway 30 delay.

Schuyler Chamber of Commerce – Audra advised that she is working on retail window, email marketing, and community spotlights. They are working with the City/Oak Ball room to have a city Trunk or Treat. The Chamber coffee will be held September 17 at the Homestead Center, and the BAH will be held on October 24 at Cobblestone. Discussion on Wild West Barbeque – new chamber members.

Directors Comments:

Javier – advised he has reached out to El Mezcal, he has had a low offer, in discussion with David City, believes they were left with a bad taste on their Schuyler Experience. Action: Cheryl is to provide incentive information on this building for Javier.

Concern that we are losing retirement citizens to other areas including WestPoint and David City. Action: Cheryl/Brian develop plan / actions for assisted living discussion/actions

Discussion on Great Farmers Market. Encourage people to support this local activity.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:43

Kracl Meadows, LLC Agenda

The meeting was called to order at 7:44

We have a new tenant in Kracl Meadows.

We have 26 people on a waiting list. Discussion on parameters of waiting list. Originally it was focused on seniors but the low-income tax credits are not working on all ages. Discussed rental housing/apartments, current demand is focused on opportunities with pets. Discussion on what type of housing is needed for Schuyler. Action: Brian develop plan/strategy for all types of housing.

General discussion on information provided by KC Belitz from the Nebraska Community Foundation from the youth survey of what they wanted. There is a movement back to small towns. They see the opportunity to work at home remotely.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:03

The Next SCD meeting is October 7, 2020.

