

B.U.I.L.D. Minutes
April 1, 2008

Thought for the day:

“Progress always involves risks. You can't steal second base and keep your foot on first.”
- **Frederick B. Wilcox**

Members and guests present: Terri Scholting, Dee Arias, Kari Wockenfuss, Ken Kratky, John Plucknett, Andy Mixan, Todd Ray, John Harrington, Gabriel Kerlik, Shannon Josoff, Susan Renner, Pat Schliefert, Jeff Power, Nancy McManis, Joel Jones, Jean Heim, Kathy Cople, Allison Gifford, Gary Nashleanas, Barnita Williams, Alan Mueller & Dan Henry.

President Terri Scholting presided over the meeting. The minutes from the March 4th, 2008 meeting were read and approved (Motion to approve by Dee Arias, 2nd by John Plucknett. Motion passed).

Special Guests –Mayor Alan Mueller & City Supervisor Dan Henry

Mayor Alan Mueller and City Supervisor Dan Henry informed the group of two special issues that will appear on the May election ballot: Keno in Louisville and City sales tax.

Spotlight Business of the Month – J.L. Williams Construction

Barnita Williams attended the meeting to represent J.L. Williams Construction. Barnita reported that their business is going well lately and that they are focusing most of their efforts in Louisville and the surrounding areas. Their services vary from home remodels, basements, kitchens, etc. to the construction of commercial buildings. Barnita and her husband, Jim, have been in business for about 30 years. They have certainly left their mark on Main Street over the years as J.L. Williams Construction was responsible for the Art Gallery remodel and was instrumental in assisting with the building process of the Home State Bank.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer John Plucknett

The BUILD account balance is \$4,546.00. BUILD has received all outstanding grant money.

Demo – Shannon Josoff, Boot Camp Fitness

Shannon Josoff woke the group up with a series of quick exercises. She also reported that in addition to her morning Boot Camp for Ladies, she is trying to put together a co-ed class in the evenings. For more information, please visit Shannon's website: www.josofftrainingonline.com or email her at shannonjosoff@yahoo.com.

Old Business:

Terri reported that she had received a bid from Bright Ideas, a contractor, for uniform holiday lights on all Main Street buildings. The group discussed several alternatives to this bid, due to the price. The Presentation Committee will also be looking into grant options for the lights and shall research for discussion at a future date.

Terri also reported that although all donations are in for the Main Street Banner project, we are having difficulty recruiting artists to paint the banners. As of the meeting time, we were way below the amount of artists needed for this project to be a success; therefore the group came to a consensus that it would be a good idea to delay the project in order to give time to recruit artists to participate.

Welcome Committee:

Two new welcome packets were handed out in the month of March.

There are not very many welcome packets left, and the inventory of goodies to stuff in the packets is getting thin. If you represent a business that contributes goodies to the welcome packet, please drop off more to Terri's office ASAP.

Events Committee:

Parade and Art Fair applications are available. You can pick them up at the City Office or apply online at www.louisvillenebraska.com. The BUILD group is also looking for a volunteer to dress up in the McGruff, the crime dog, suit for the parade. Please contact Dee Arias or Nancy McManis for a parade application or if you are interested in being McGruff.

Advertising grants for BUILD's 3 main events (Air Your Art, Last Hot Sunday & Ringing In The Season) have all been received.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR "AIR YOUR ART IN LOUISVILLE."

Economic Development Committee:

No report.

Presentation Committee:

No report.

Marketing Committee:

Nancy & Dee are working on advertising for "Air Your Art In Louisville".

New Business:

The BUILD group has been approached to head up the local fireworks tent in June & July. A motion to accept this invitation was made by John Plucknett and seconded by Kari Wockenfuss. The motion was approved.

An additional motion was made by John Harrington to allocate the proceeds from working the fireworks stand towards the holiday lights on Main Street. This motion was seconded by Dee Arias. After a short discussion, the motion was rescinded by John Harrington.

BUILD will once again have a booth at the Cass County Fair from August 6th – 9th.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, May 6th, 2008 at the Assisted Living Facility.

