

B.U.I.L.D. MEETING MINUTES

4-5-05

“SHOW YOUR LOYALTY, SHOP IN LOUISVILLE”

Visitors : -

New Members Present: Angie Allphin

MEMBERS: John Harrington, Todd Ray, Nancy McManus, Lloyd Braack, Maureen Gulizia, Mark Liebman, Dick Berner.

Treasurer's Report: Balance of - \$738.93.

Minutes from 3-1-05 were approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE (John Harrington)

- Have 18 active members. Will be getting a full list out on the WEB site. Maureen will be getting the Membership Decals out to the businesses.

WELCOME COMMITTEE (Terri Scholting)

- (Terri Absent) . Cedar Creek and South Bend will be forwarding names of new people to Terri for the Welcome-ing activity.

EVENTS COMMITTEE (Nancy McManus)

- Will be asking the JayCees for help in running the Louisville DAZ parade. Applications for the parade will on the Louisville Web Site. Tricycle Contest needs a coordinator.
- May 21 & 22: Will be having a Scavenger Hunt on May 21 (Linda G & Betty Bridges are running) and also a Sidewalk sale on both May 21 & 22.
- Also discussed a possible Classic Car “Drive In” event for Louisville sometime in August. The organizers in Plattsmouth want to hold an event in Louisville.
- The bank is also planning a 90th Anniversary Event sometime in August.

ECONOMIC DEVEL COMMITTEE (John Plucknett)

- The Sub-committee had its first meeting of John Plucknett, todd Ray, Bob Cople & Dave Pankonin. Discussed acquiring or optioning 1-2 Industrial sites near the town. Will also be pushing to resurrect the By-Pass project. Plucknett also reported that he was elected Chairman of the Cass County Nebraska Economic Development Council, so B.U.I.L.D. will now have a “direct” link to that group, and its contacts with the County and State Economic Development efforts. John Winkler of Plattsmouth is the new Executive Director of the CCNEDC.

PRESENTATION COMMITTEE (Maureen Gulizia)

- Maureen reported on the new street flags getting out. Also reported on the Signage project on Highway 50 on the west side of town. Adam Stoner, a LHS student, is designing and building a new sign, that will replace the current sign. May get help from the JayCees to hang the sign and clear out the site. Should get done in early May.

GENERAL DISCUSSION:

- Discussed Louisville going after the largest US Flag in the world display, but cannot afford \$1,700,000 price tag.
- Discussed fund raising for Warner. John H to approach Ash Grove and OPPD for help.
- Discussed recent new young people working in Louisville (Joe Faubion at the Hardware store, Andy Mixan at the bank, Paul Pankonin at the dealership.
- Louisville Care Center is getting close to submitting final plans to the city for their expansion project. Should see more later on this.

NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY, MAY 3rd at the Senior Center at 7:30 AM.

WILL DISCUSS:

- Committee Reports

Submitted:

John Plucknett - Secretary.

Mission Statement

B.U.I.L.D. Is a voluntary, not-for-profit association of business people in the Louisville, Nebraska area who share the goal of promoting cooperation between city, civic and business organizations; representing companies doing business within the jurisdiction of Louisville; improving the business and civic environment; and encouraging the growth and vitality of commerce and the community. Communication and planning are the keys to turning our blessings and opportunities into a better future for the citizens and business people of Louisville.

B.U.I.L.D. believes it can best serve the needs of the city of Louisville and its business community by aiding and promoting existing businesses; presenting an attractive, safe and inviting downtown business district; encouraging new business to locate within the Louisville jurisdiction; and nurturing a business environment open to diversified, sustainable and managed growth.

COMMITTEE REPORTS TO B.U.I.L.D.
MONTHLY MEETING:

(Please make enough copies for everyone at the next BUILD Meeting)

COMMITTEE: _____

CHAIR: _____

MEMBERS: _____

SUMMARY OF LAST MEETING:

PRIORITIES FOR 2005, and TIMETABLE:

BUDGET NEEDS:

Submitted by:

_____ Date: _____

PRESS RELEASE:

At its April meeting, the B.U.I.L.D. group of Louisville received a report from John Plucknett on the latest activity of the Economic Development Committee. The Committee is pursuing two main goals at this time. They are 1) identifying potential Industrial Development tracts in the Louisville area, and 2) progress of the Highway 66 By-Pass project around Louisville. Both topics are critical for economic development in Louisville and Cass County in the near future.

Plucknett also reported that he was recently elected to be Chairman of the Cass County Nebraska Economic Development Council, and that the CCNEDC is in the process of finalizing the hiring of John Winkler as Executive Director of CCNEDC. Winkler will continue in his current position as Plattsmouth City Manager and Economic Development Director, but will now also be able to lead and coordinate economic development efforts across all of Cass County. Plucknett stated that these actions will help Louisville's local economic development efforts by being better coordinated and connected to other development resources across the county and across the state.