

B.U.I.L.D. Minutes
May 6, 2008

Thought for the day:

“Without a sense of caring, there can be no sense of community.”

- **Anthony J. D'Angelo**

Members and guests present: Terri Scholting, Dee Arias, Ken Kratky, John Plucknett, Andy Mixan, Todd Ray, John Harrington, Gabriel Kerlik, Nancy McManis, Joel Jones, Kathy Copple, Gary Nashleanas, Bruce Breitreutz, Mike Krambeck, and Tonee Gay

President Terri Scholting presided over the meeting. The minutes from the April 1st, 2008 meeting were read and approved.

Special Guest – Tonee Gay, Midlands Community Foundation

Tonee Gay, Executive Director of the Midlands Community Foundation (MCF) addressed the group. Mrs. Gay spoke about the background of the MCF and the MCF mission statement and she shared with the group how MCF has provided financial support and service to the Sarpy and Cass County areas. Mrs. Gay provided a list of donations and grants that have been given in the Cass County area since 2000 to help illustrate what MCF has been able to do for our area. She also touched upon the two main fundraisers for MCF, their annual golf tournament and Reflection Ball. This years' proceeds recipient for the Reflection Ball is Cass County's own One World Community Health Centers. For more information on the Midlands Community Foundation, the 2008 Reflection Ball, or the MCF Annual Golf Tournament, please contact Tonee Gay at (402) 991-8027 or look them up on the internet at www.midlandscommunity.org.

Spotlight Business of the Month – Gabriel Kerlik, Ameriprise Financial

Gabriel spoke to the group to highlight some of the services that he is able to provide through his business, Ameriprise Financial. Gabriel ran the group through a Financial Planning 101 session and taught us that there is much more to financial planning than just saving money. He shared some statistics in regards to investing in the stock market, touched upon proactive tax planning, discussed accumulating and preserving wealth, and estate planning to protect the wealth that you will accumulate and preserve. Gabriel also spoke about retirement planning and gave the group Ameriprise Financial's *Dream Book* which helps investors figure out what they really want out of their retirement. For more information on financial planning or anything touched upon in this write-up, please contact Gabriel Kerlik at (402) 334-7265 Ext. 218, or email him at gabriel.x.kerlik@ampf.com.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer John Plucknett

John shared some good news and some bad news with the group in regards to the BUILD group's current financial situation.

GOOD: The BUILD account balance is currently \$2,116.00.

BAD: \$3,000 is earmarked for the canvas banner art contest that has been postponed.

Some unexpected good news came when Terri Scholting presented the BUILD group a \$100 donation check from American Family Insurance.

Old Business:

After discussion for several months on the topic of Holiday Lights in downtown Louisville, the group approved a motion from Joel Jones (seconded by Nancy McManis) for BUILD to “take over” the Holiday Lights project. The group also decided to wait and see if any money can be raised for this project before any maintenance or a complete overhaul is undertaken.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Welcome Committee:

No Report

Events Committee:

“Air Your Art in Louisville” is Saturday, May 17th.

Advertising for this event has been appearing on KGOR (radio) and Fox 42 (TV). On May 15th, there will be a special on the Omaha Living Program featuring “Air Your Art in Louisville.” Six different magazines also have ads in them. This was all made possible by a \$2,500 advertising grant that the BUILD group received.

Main Street will close at 12:00 (noon) on May 17th, for “Air Your Art in Louisville.” There will be shuttle services between parking lots because of this. The shuttles will run from the following locations: behind the Taylor Quik Pik, the school parking lot, Copple’s parking lot, and the 5th Street Studio.

Parade Applications need to be turned in ASAP if you haven’t done so already!!!!

Dee & Nancy need volunteers for “Air Your Art in Louisville.” Please let them know if you will be able to help.

Brochures for the Health Fair that will be held at the Louisville Care Community on Saturday, May 17th, from 11 am – 1 pm were handed out. Please call Kari for more information at 234-2125.

Economic Development Committee:

VOTE ON MAY 13TH!!!

Presentation Committee:

No Report

Marketing Committee:

No Report

New Business:

The BUILD group voted UNANIMOUSLY to support all three proposals (see below) on the May 13th ballot.

(John Harrington motion, Todd Ray second)

- 1) Raise Sales Tax by ½%
- 2) Re-allocate sales tax toward debt reduction on water treatment facility
- 3) KENO

The goal of these proposals is to reduce pain of increased water costs due to recent upgrades (i.e. water tower, water treatment facility, etc.)

Please attend the Memorial Day services at the local cemeteries.

Ken Kratky announced that there was a job opening at Timber View to help run the store. They are looking for someone to work the Wednesday and/or Thursday hours, and possibly be able to work an occasional weekend day. Please contact Ken with any questions at 234-2481.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, June 3rd, 2008 at the Assisted Living Facility.