

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

**11-2-04**

**SLOGAN:**

**“SHOW YOUR LOYALTY, SHOP IN LOUISVILLE”**

**Visitors: From the EDGE Coalition:**

**Michelle Griffith: E.D. of SE NEBR EDGE Coalition**

**T.O. Davidson: President of the same**

**Lowell Daisley: Coalition member and ED of CCNEDC**

Met with the group to discuss and explain the EDGE program. Coalition of Nemaha, Otoe, Richardson, Pawnee, and now Cass Counties. This is a 12 week class that emphasizes all areas of a business, with the goal of completing a Business Plan. Cost to the student is \$350, and the next class starts in January in Tecumseh. Details of the course and enrollment forms are at the City offices and at Home State Bank.

**Treasurer's Report:** Have \$980 in the bank, including \$160 from the NET sales of the ribbons. There was discussion to pay Sno-Dog for a bill pending from the Lewis & Clark program this summer. Bill is pending due to waiting on reimbursement from the State of NE. Agreed to pay Sno-Dog now, and BUILD to keep the reimbursement when received.

Election of new officers for 2005:

**PRESIDENT:** John Harrington

**TREASURER:** Maureen Gulizia

**SECRETARY:** John Plucknett

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Magnetic Yellow Ribbons:** All costs are paid, have \$160 in surplus, plus approx 45 ribbons yet to sell. No plans now to re-order. Will have to decide later what to use the proceeds for.

**SIGNAGE UPDATE:** Do not have a total cost estimate from the school, but expect approx \$500. Need a plan for demolition of old sign and erection of new sign. Todd is following up.

**LB 840 Economic Development Plan:** Re-capped the presentation to the City Council in OCT. Information and applications are with the City Clerk.

**Community Redevelopment Authority:** Re-capped the presentation to the City Council. The Council asked for more input from BUILD on goals and priorities for this program in Louisville. Harrington appointed a committee to put together thoughts and ideas for the NOV Council meeting. (Plucknett, Sherman, & Gulizia)

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Membership Structure, Dues, Charter Mandates:** There was more discussion about incorporating more structure into BUILD. Harrington appointed a committee to discuss alternatives and present some recommendations to our next DEC meeting, for a possible vote at our JAN meeting. (Harrington, Gulizia, Plucknett, Scholting, N.McManis) They plan to meet 11-4 at 7:00 PM at the bank. There will be a concentrated effort to communicate this meeting and this discussion to all potential members before the JAN meeting.

**RAFFLE BASKETS:** Decided to create 3 raffle baskets. Gulizia & I.Harrington to organize. Drop off points for contributions to the baskets are the Bank and the Hardware Store. Raffle sales to start 11-24, with the drawing to be 12-21.

**COMMUNITY XMAS TREE:** There was discussion about getting a better community XMAS tree, and it was decided to use the net proceeds from the Raffle Baskets to pay for a better tree and decorations. Harrington and Sherman are to talk to the JayCees and work with them on this project.

**BUILDING ROOF LIGHTS:** It was decided to have them on at night from Thanksgiving through New Years. Jason Rohrs volunteered to do some rooftop maintenance of the lights for businesses that need it on main street. Gulizia encouraged all participants to check their lights, cords, fasteners, and holders in advance so the appearance is impressive.

**NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7<sup>th</sup> at the Senior Center at 7:30 AM.**

**WILL DISCUSS:**

- Possible Dues & Structure to BUILD
- Possible Economic Development Efforts by BUILD.
- Other items.

Submitted:

John Plucknett, Secretary.