

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

JANUARY 10, 2006

‘TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE IT HAPPEN’

Visitors: Rick Setchell-Plattsmouth Journal Reporter / Katherine Coager – Cass Gram

Pat Joyner-UNL EDGE Program / Rod Little, Phil Pankonin, and Don Anderson

Hurricane Katrina Clean-up Efforts.

New Members: Mike Krambeck of Krambeck Photography and The Lions Den

Members: Todd Ray, Bob Copple, Ken and Nancy Kratky, Paul and Nancy McManis, Dee Arias,

Allison Gifford, Carla Knott, Joan Payne, John Plucknett, Richard Berner, Terri Scholting, Lynn Berner-Smith, Rod Little, Jeanne Anderson, Kari Wockenfuss

Treasurer’s Report: Terri reported in Maureen’s absence. Balance of \$1954.26. \$96.81 with an outstanding invoice for bulbs and clips for lighting.

EVENTS COMMITTEE: Co-Chaired by Nancy McManis and Dee Arias-

“Last Hot Sunday in July” is in the planning stages and the committee has been working on additional activities to be held on that same day.

WELCOME COMMITTEE: Carla Knott-Chairperson Reported that no bags were delivered in December. Quiet time of year because of Holidays.

PRESENTATION COMMITTEE: Maureen Gulizia-Chairperson Flags will be changed soon. Lynn Berner-Smith reported that Bright Ideas was not interested in assisting with our lighting needs of maintenance and replacement. Superior Lighting will assist with a fee of \$65.00 per hour. Paul McManis did not get in contact with Boy Scouts as of this date. Dee Arias will check with the City Maintenance Personnel to see if they would be interested in assisting with lighting needs.

MARKETING COMMITTEE: Lexi Scholting, Chairperson-Nancy McManis reported completing an application for BUILD from the Cass County Tourism Group. Was mailed in timely and waiting for a response.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: John Plucknett, Chairperson-John reported that the Federal Environmental Agency has “signed-off” on the Highway 66 by-pass. Continues to work on a possible site south of Louisville for Industrial Park.

OLD BUSINESS: Discussion held about changing BUILD from a businesspersons organization to an “open enrollment” type of group. Motion made and passed. The Events Committee will plan a coffee type “Open House” to invite the public to participate with our group. A suggestion was made concerning a new slogan for the group.

Rod Little, Phil Pankonin and Don Anderson spoke to the group about the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina in Pas Christian they encountered on the trip to assist with clean-up efforts. They thanked all those who participated with donations or funding. The devastation is so vast and the cleaning up is slow to progress. As for adopting a "Sister City" it would not be possible to take on such an endeavor for this sized group. Adopting a family was discussed and Rod Little will discuss the issue with Pastor he has been working with in Pas Christian and report back to the group.

Pat Joyner shared information about the EDGE Program that can assist business owners or prospective business owners. This Program is part of an on-going effort by UNL,UNO and UNK

to assist the business community of the state. An upcoming Workshop will be held in Plattsmouth on January 16, 2006.

Katherine Coager spoke to the members and introduced the membership to the Cass Gram. The Cass Gram is a daily newspaper printed and delivered to the businesses that advertise in the paper to distribute to customers/public. Businesses in the community will be or have been visited and inquired as to their participation. The gentleman who originated the Cass Gram has a great deal of experience in the newspaper business.

Mike Krambeck shared with the group his new Website, "The Lions Den". This Website displays Sports Events, Scores, Photographs, , Outcomes, Etc. He advised the group he is accepting more advertisers if anyone is interested. He also expressed his intentions of being a member of the group.

Next meeting will be February 7, 2006, and will be held at the Senior Center at 7:15 A.M. Paul McManis will provide rolls for this meeting.

Respectively submitted by Lynn Berner-Smith