North Salina Community Development, Inc.

Grand Avenue United Methodist Church, 304 W. Grand Avenue October 20, 2016

# **Meeting Minutes**

The meeting began about 7 p.m. and was held at the Grand Avenue United Methodist Church, 304 W. Grand.

**Attendance** – Ten persons were present and all officers were present except Jeannette and Pat.

**Presentation** – Sandy Beverly and Dina Giron with Community Relations Department of the City. The presentation focused on fair housing standards and relationships between sellers and purchasers and between landlords and tenants. By partnering with Community Relations we are fulfilling a HUD grant requirement for additional funding for NSCD.

**Minutes** – A motion to approve the minutes of the September 15<sup>th</sup> meeting was offered by Sandy, seconded by Jon and approved.

**Treasurer's report** – Johnna reported: Art moved, Gary seconded and were approved. Will receive \$1,500 from Kohl's that will be split to cover last expenses on Hawthorne and then the remaining split between mounted patrol and our unrestricted fund. Group has dispersed all funds held for BARK. We will continue to be their fiscal agent, but they will need to do their own fundraising in the future.

# **Old Business**

**Prairie Land Food** - Food to be distributed October 22<sup>nd</sup> by Art. The food for this district will be at the church at 6:30 AM and will be either picked up or distributed at the Grand Avenue United Methodist Church. Notices to be sent out.

Salina Downtown, Inc. – Pat Brooks was absent and Brenda reported that it was a good meeting.

**North Salina landscape** - October 15- Gary Hobbie reported on Fall Fix Up that there were several projects worked on including Mounted Patrol landscaping and 5 corners clean up. Along with building playground equipment at Thomas Park, rain barrels and River clean up. There were around 100 people that volunteered.

Farmer's markets updates- Barb Goode- Was absent, but it was reported that the market was done for the year.

**Bike Share Project update -** Greg Stephenson – Was absent, so this was tabled. They still need a space for the hub, no new information.

**Party with a Purpose** – Barb Young- at the Salina Art Center on Santa Fe. Vote on a charity to donate the proceeds of the auction, 50/50 raffle, and cover charge. NSCD won second, but didn't receive any donations at this event. Good way to promote our organization and we will probably participate again if asked.

**Fe for the Cure-** Barb Young – Event went well and difficulties in the past were avoided this year. Less money raised, due to fewer participants, but overall still considered it a success. There was discussion about a possible move of the event to a September date.

**BARK** – Trillian reported that the Friends of the Animal Shelter and the Shelter gave generous donations of items for their give away. They also had 156 microchips and 139 rabies vaccines completed. That is 20 more than prior year. Total in kind donations were \$10,843. They had 6 student volunteers for a total of 15 volunteers. All participating doctors have agreed to help out again. Trillian is passing on the leadership of the group to others and NSCD will continue to help and support them.

#### **New Business**

**Entrepreneurial Workshop –** Barb Young – The Salina Chamber is looking at holding a workshop to help promote new businesses in North Salina. They are tentatively looking at November 15th as the date.

**Partner with Mahaska for Christmas - Barb Young-** It was decided to try and help with this event instead of the parade of lights. Greg was absent at meeting, but Barb will contact and see if he had any information.

**Little Libraries** – Brenda Gutierrez- Reported that MLKCDC was willing to have a library on their property. Brenda will contact previous builders of the libraries to see about getting one or having one built. She will report back in November.

**Mr. Imagination - Barb Young-** Katie England has given NSCD pieces of art. Ideas for use included in front of the neighborhood garden on Grand Avenue UMC property. Tabled for further discussion.

**Gold Leaf Award - Barb Young-** NSCD was award a Gold Leaf award for our work in front of Chuck's Bar. We won in the category of curb appeal.

## **Open Forum**

**Coalition Development Workshop- Brenda-** A workshop for Live Well Salina will be held November 9-10<sup>th</sup>. This is a day and a half conference.

7<sup>th</sup> Grade Cultural Crawl- Brenda- Majority of kids participating were USD 305 kids as other districts couldn't make it work logistically. However, there were still around 600 kids that participated. Kids were exposed to the Art Center, Access TV, Museum and other hands on activities downtown.

## The Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM.