North Salina Community Development, Inc.

Salvation Army Community Center October 18, 2012 **Meeting Minutes**

The meeting began at approximately 7:05 p.m.

Attendance

There were 14 persons attending.

Minutes

The minutes of the September 20th meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report

There was a \$45.00 contribution, which was a prize from tickets purchased for the NAACP block party, yielding total funds as of October 18th of \$727.05.

Old Business

Fall Fix-Up Salina 2012. Attendees were reminded of this event, which will be held Saturday, October 20th.

By - Laws update. Greg Stephens distributed the first drafts of the By - Laws of the North Salina Community Development, Inc. and the Conflict of Interest Policy. The Steering Committee will meet to complete a small amount of information in the former document and both of them will be considered at the November NSCD meeting

Peace Garden Artwork. The Community Art and Design Committee continues to consider a location, which must be approved by the city commissioners, for Mr. Imagination's artwork in the Hawthorne apartments and park area.

North Salina Design Workshop. The final preparation was discussed. Barb Goode will distribute flyers to Fix - Up day leaders. Mike Wilson has emailed workshop invitations to persons on the NSCD email list, city commissioners, candidates and numerous other individuals. A list of property owners has not yet been obtained to whom notices can be mailed. Gary Hobbie reported that maps have been printed and easels, paper pads and pens have been obtained. Jon Blanchard, who is responsible for most of the workshop presentation, was not present at this meeting.

Dillon's stores. It was reported that the Iron St. and south Ohio St. stores would be closed this Saturday and the new south Ohio St. store opened Sunday. A pharmacy is not interested in locating in the Iron St. store, although an independent grocer might be.

PRIDE Program. Enrollment in this will be considered next year.

New Business

Salina Downtown Christmas Parade. Ramona Newsom reported that the 20th Annual Parade of Lights, which will be held Saturday November 17th beginning at 6:00 p.m., has the theme of "silver bells". She registered the NSCD for a float entry. For information access www.salinadowntown.com and click on the "click to register" box.

Central Kansas Flywheels Yesteryear Museum. For the Christmas activity the NSCD might enter a large Christmas tree place on a trailer.

New Partners for Smart Growth Conference. Barb Goode reported that she would attend the conference, which will be held February 7, 8 and 9, 2013 in Kansas City. For more information access www.newpartners.org Anyone wishing to attend may contact her at barblj@ksu.edu for a shared ride.

Secretarial position. Mike Wilson's one year term as secretary expires this month and it was suggested that he continue in an interim position until the by - laws are approved.

Open forum

Greg Stephens reported that Phyllis Klima, Director of Salina Downtown Inc., and others are considering forming a peace group that would consider ways to bring together farmers, gardeners and other persons. Perhaps a kitchen would be available for use by people who want to prepare food for sale.

Barb Goode discussed the Circles of the Heartland and suggested that Shelly Martin speak at our November meeting.

Gary Hobbie reported that the North Central Regional Planning Commission had accepted 32 applications for housing rehabilitation grants. There was \$2 million available but Salina was not was awarded a grant. The Kansas Housing Resource Corporation will not provide funds for 2013. A revised property code is being considered by city commissioners. Bids are being received by the city for the demolition of 8 abandoned houses with the cost of this work to be accessed to the lot.

Next meeting. This is scheduled for November 15th.

Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.