North Salina Community Development, Inc.

Salvation Army Community Center August 15, 2013 **Meeting Minutes**

The meeting began at approximately 7:00 p.m.

Attendance. Twenty-three persons were present including Jon Blanchard, City Commissioner; Gary Hobbie, Director of Community and Development Services for the City of Salina; Johnna Voseller, USD 305 Board member and all NSCD officers.

Agenda. This was amended to include a presentation by Lori Berezovsky, Outreach Coordinator of the Salina public library.

Minutes. The minutes of the July 18th meeting were approved.

Treasurer's report as of August 15, 2013. Some income items were \$1,250.53 from individuals and businesses, a \$1000 "Love Your Community" grant to help develop 5 corners and \$1,100 to the Greater Salina Community Foundation. These latter funds are being held for the NSCD. Some expense items included \$959.98 for the hog roast and barbeque and \$600 for liability insurance. To summarize, there was a total of \$1812.33 in the checking account and \$629.00 in the Greater Salina Community Foundation.

Old Business

"5 Corners" project. Jon Blanchard reported that last Saturday the site was cleared and a hole dug for the concrete footing, which will provide a base for the sunflower sculpture that was created by a student of Mr. Bergen. A plaque will be prepared and United Methodist youth will help with this project beginning August 23rd.

Rain barrel assembly event. Carol Schaeffer reported that the rain barrel assembly day of July 20th was very successful with about 26 volunteers present. One hundred rain barrels were assembled, most of which were given to persons that day; however, 20 - 25 were delivered to people.

New Business

Little Free Libraries. Lori Berezovsky reported that the public library has initiated a project whereby four small stations located throughout the City will be stocked with books that can be borrowed. These items will be donated by the Friends of the Library and others. NSCD members, who were asked to suggest a location in north Salina, recommended the following: a City Go bus stop, a private yard, the Grand Avenue United Methodist Church and Woodland Park. A generous memorial was received to help support this effort, which is described at www.littlefreelibrary.org.

New bulk solids research facility on N. Front Street. A speaker was not available but one will attend the September meeting.

Another rain barrel assembly day will be held on Friday August 23rd from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. at Thomas Park. Rick Weber volunteered to supervise United Methodist Youth who will be helping.

Greater Salina Community Foundation grant. Applications for the next round are due September 9th. People visiting the NSCD booth at the NAACP block party on August 17th will be asked what projects they would like to be funded.

Salina Community Theatre. Mike Wilson reported that the new season will begin in September and discount tickets are available for Shrek the Musical productions for the 7th and 8th.

Open Forum

NSCD booth at the NAACP block party. Clay Thompson asked for volunteers to set up, disassemble and staff this booth. There will be drawings for several rain barrels that day. It was requested that 10 meeting attendees donate \$10 each to purchase tickets for a cash prize at the NAACP party.

Salina - Saline County Health Department. After some discussion Carol Schaeffer moved that a letter be drafted to city and county commissioners showing the support of the NSCD for City - County operation of the Health Department. The motion was seconded by Pat Brooks and passed.

Adjournment. 8:10 p.m.

Next Meeting. This is scheduled for September 19th.