

Community Building Development Team

Minutes

Date: Tuesday, August 18, 2015

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Cedar Springs Public Schools Board Room, Hilltop School, Cedar Springs

MISSION:

The Community Building Development Team (CBDT) exists to advance the construction of buildings and spaces where the greater Cedar Springs community can gather for cultural, educational, recreational, commercial and family/community events.

VISION:

The Vision of the Community Building Development Team (CBDT) is to retain the small-town character of Cedar Springs, incorporate natural features, link neighborhoods and people, enhance characteristics that already define our community and make it easy for families, youth, senior citizens, organizations, and all community members to gather, celebrate and serve each other.

- I. Call To Order – 6:05
- II. Welcome of new board member Julie Wheeler
- III. Approval of minutes from July 21, 2015 Team Meeting.
- IV. Treasurer's Update
- V. Roll Call – Members Present: Kurt Mabie, Tom Mabie, Betty Truesdale, Carolee Cole, Sue Wolfe, Dale Larson, Nick Andres, Sally Howland, Julie Wheeler
All Team Members introduced themselves
- VI. Nick Andres made a motion to approve the agenda with the following additions: Sue Wolfe
Second. Approved.
 - A. Add North Country Trail
 - B. Add Property Acquisition
- VII. Reports
 - A. Library Building – Noted that additional volunteers are needed for various aspects of this project
 1. Duane McIntyre is getting a new elevation done that has a more turn of the century look.
 2. We have been meeting to put together a presentation to the local groups. Danielle Phillips will be presenting for the Library. Kurt will be presenting for the CBDT.
 3. Capital Campaign Committee Update
 - a. September 12 – Kick Off Party – Nick did a good job of getting the launch party off the ground.
 - b. There will be an email invite sent to all CBDT mailing list.\
 - c. Kevin Marcus of Kelly's is doing the catering at a reduced cost.
 - d. The American Legion is offering their building at a reduced cost.
 - B. Update on presentations to City and Planning Commission – A frustrating meeting. We had been told the steps to take included taking the proposal to the Planning Commission as a first step but then were told that we needed to address ownership concerns first.
 - C. Amphitheater – Update – Noted that additional volunteers are needed
 1. We have hired Hubbell, Roth and Clark, Inc., (HRC) an engineering firm, to give us advice for the boardwalk and they have agreed to help with the amphitheater as well. We are very thankful to have John Ensley, a local resident, attending our meetings on a regular basis and also working for HRC.
 - D. Natural Spring / Rain Garden / Beautification – Update – Noted that additional volunteers are needed
 1. Josh Zuiderveen has applied for permits.
 2. We are waiting for these and for the amount of water that will need to be addressed running off buildings in order to determine the rain garden size.
 - E. Walking Trail/Boardwalk Along Cedar Creek – Update – Noted that additional volunteers are needed
 1. HRC will have a design as soon as possible.
 2. Permits will need to be obtained before work can begin.

- F. There is a Rain Barrel Workshop scheduled for September 11 at 6:00 p.m. in Morley Park. Everyone is invited. Cost is \$30. Register through Trout Unlimited.
- G. City Council
 - 1. The City Council is supportive of the various parts of the CBDT's plans but the City Planner and City Manager don't seem to be sure of what the process for getting our projects through City Council and the Planning Commission.
 - 2. There will be a series of meetings but we don't know when yet.
- H. Design Committee – Update – This month's meeting was cancelled.
- I. Review/Questions from August 11, Board of Directors Meeting Minutes – None.
- J. Property Acquisition – The CBDT was asked if we would be interested in purchasing the property at 157 North Main St. Leon Stout is working on the details.
- K. North Country Trail – Include Hal in the next meeting. Luke wanted us to highlight 10 different things to do that draw people into town within a year for the Trail Town Status.
- L. Veterans Memorial Park – Kurt asked for a person to spearhead the continued development of the Veteran's Memorial Park.
 - 1. Rose Powell agreed to take the lead on this project.
 - 2. John Ensley volunteered Pat Ensley.

VIII. Other Old Business

- A. It was requested that we be more specific regarding what volunteers we need. Hopefully, as we clarify what we need from the various committees in the process and procedures flowchart we will be able to identify what we need from the volunteer pool.
- B. Question regarding who will operate the amphitheater. We need to discuss that.

X. New Business – None

Next Team Meeting Date: Tuesday, September 15, 2015, 6 pm at Hilltop School Board Room

Adjournment: 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted
Carolee Cole
Secretary