

January-February 2010

Gate City Development Association met on **January 21, 2010** at the Gary Fire Hall. Present were: Will Stone, Angel Oeltjenbruns, Marion Denekamp, Mary Nosbush, Lynda Rol and one guest. Will called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Meeting moved into Executive Session. At 8:50 p.m. the meeting came into open session.

Lynda reported that the City Council is researching playground equipment for the City Park and the softball park. Two of the companies offer grants for public entities. The second penny sales tax may be on the February agenda.

Angel suggested a fundraiser for the playground equipment to get the community involved.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Mary Nosbush, Secretary

Gate City Development Association met on **February 4, 2010** at the Gary Fire Hall. Present were: Will Stone, Angel Oeltjenbruns, Marion Denekamp, Mary Nosbush, Lynda Rol and one guest. Will called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Angel moved, seconded by Mary to go into Executive Session. At 8:00 p.m. the meeting came into open session.

Will reported contact from a Minnesota business interested in relocating to Gary. He has contacted the Governor's Office of Economic Development and we are working with them on the project.

Discussed possible sites for an industrial park, future housing and engineer's study.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Mary Nosbush, Secretary

Gate City Development Association met on **February 18, 2010** at the Gary Fire Hall. Present were: Will Stone, Angel Oeltjenbruns, Marion Denekamp, Mary Nosbush, Lynda Rol and two guests. Will called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and moved into Executive Session.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Mary Nosbush

Gate City Development Association met on **February 24, 2010** at the Gate City Lodge. Present were: Will Stone, Angel Oeltjenbruns, Marion Denekamp, Mary Nosbush, Lynda Rol and one guest. Will called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

We discussed issues relating to an industrial park, including water, sewer, annexation of property and street access for truck travel.

Angel will gather information on SD Workmen's Comp. rates.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Mary Nosbush, Secretary

Gate City Development Association met on **February 25, 2010** at the Gate City Lodge. Present were: Will Stone, Angel Oeltjenbruns, Marion Denekamp, Mary Nosbush, Lynda Rol, and two guests.

We discussed industrial park issues, training of workers, housing development, truck access, streets and exact location of city limits. We will request the City Council begin investigating possibilities for direct street access for trucks to Midwest Converter and possibly an industrial park area on the south side of town, off of SD 101.

Gate City Development Association met on **March 4, 2010** at Gate City Lodge. Present were: Will Stone, Angel Oeltjenbruns, Marion Denekamp, Mary Nosbush, Lynda Rol.

We discussed issues relating to City sales tax. Mary will present information at the City Council meeting on City revenue sources and on sales tax generation and the figures which show that about 90% of this tax is generated from sources residing outside the City.

Angel will present information on ways the new revenue could be used, including: new sidewalks from Buffalo Ridge Resort to the retail area; land purchase for an industrial park and for housing; park improvements including a new shelter with kitchen facilities, playground equipment, infrastructure development into new housing area; pay off the loan on the lagoon project.

Discussed the request from DADi for information about our \$99,900 revolving loan fund grant from USDA Rural Development. We currently have requests for \$90,000 of the funds.

Lynda reported that her research on our municipal property tax rebate idea showed that the law does not allow this, based on a principle called "Dillon's Rule".

Mary Nosbush, Secretary