

What's Developing

It was in 1961 that the first organized efforts for economic development officially began in Eureka when the Eureka Development (it was spelled that way in the official papers) Corporation was established under the State Securities Commission of South Dakota.

In 1986 the nonprofit organization, which is currently in existence, was approved by members and the Secretary of State. It is known as Eureka Community Development Company, Inc.

Until the old organization officially ceased, the same board of directors served both organizations.

Eureka Designs, working towards regional development, developing a brochure for Eureka, Schaeffer's Manufacturing, Day Break, Inc., and The Midway Café were top concerns for 1986.

Those serving on the board of directors that year included Robert Gab, Harley Neuharth, Rick Mehlhaff, Milbert Neuharth, Milbert Schick, James Fischer, Stanley Hieb, Willis Schnabel, Dean Krein, Duane Wanner, and Sandy Opp. Elections and resignations happened during the year, so all of those just mentioned served during 1986, but not all at the same time.

Eureka Community Development Company is celebrating its 30th anniversary this year. This column will include highlights from those years and the role that it has played in the community during the past three decades.

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