CENTENNIAL COUNCIL OF NEIGHBORHOODS



In Person Meeting **Arapahoe Library Services building** 12855 E Adam Aircraft Cir., Englewood, 80112 **September 27, 2021**

Minutes

President Gerry Cummins called the meeting to order at 6:37pm.

Attendance (A quorum was present.), Members:

Cherry Knolls Hanover Place (2) The Knolls (2)

Mill Creek Nob Hill/Ridgeview Hills South

Orchard Valley Palos Verdes (2) Ridgeview Hills North Smoky Hill Southalenn Tiffany Village at Centennial Village Cooperative Walnut Hills

• Guests: 18th Judicial District, Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office, Arapahoe Library Dist., Rhonda & Gary Livingston

Highlighted areas below are good information for neighborhood newsletters.

2. **CenCON Business**

A. President's Report, Gerry Cummins

- Cummins announced that Ryan Thompson from the City will present the City's new Short Term Rentals Ordinance.
- B. Secretary, Andrea Suhaka
 - A motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to approve the August, 2021, minutes as mailed. (Spaulding/Manning)
- C. Treasurer, Jill Meakins
 - Cummins submitted a bill for renewing the CenCON subscription to the Community Associations Institute (CAI) in the amount of \$137.

• Balance Forward: \$3,594.97 Deposits: 40.00 Expenses: Field trip food, Cummins \$75.74 (466.93)

Suhaka, 353.92

New checks 37.27

Interest Income: 0.00

Ending Balance: \$3168.04

• *Notes*: 2020, 37 paid members 2021, 41 paid members

3. **Regular Guest Presentations**

A. 18th Judicial District, Vicki Klingensmith

- DA John Kellner will hold a "Community Conversation", tomorrow, 6-7pm, on his diversion program, to keep people out of the criminal justice system.
- Oct. is Domestic Violence Awareness Month and the DA's office will be producint short videos for TikTok on the issue.
- Monthly newsletter -- find out what's going on in your District Attorney's Office in our monthly newsletter: community events, programs, resources, courtroom updates, education, news and more. September newsletter below: myemail.constantcontact.com/District-Attorney-s-Office-18th-JD---September-Newsletter.html?soid=1134683955228&aid=EmbiAelJYCk

- B. Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office (ACSO), Capt. Ken McKlem, written report
 - Current Citizens Academy is full.
 - 10/8/21, 8-11am Faith and Blue Event: Meet the Mounted Unit at Our Lady of Help Christian Academy, 32100 E Colfax Service Rd, Watkins, 80137
 - 10/13/21, 8-10a Coffee with a Cop, 5070 E. Arapahoe Rd./Starbucks
 - 10/23/21, 11a-4pm, Treat Street/ArapCo Fairgrounds, 25690 E Quincy Ave
 - 2-4pm, Trunk or Treat/Cherry Creek State Park
 - 9am-2pm, Drug Take Back Day at 4 sites in Centennial
 - o Kaiser Permanente, 5555 E Arapahoe Rd.
 - Centennial Hospital, 14200 E. Arapahoe Rd.
 - o Smoky Hill Library, 5430 S Biscay Cir.
 - Deputy Sickafoose added that he was planning a Sheriff's Academy Alumni meeting in Nov.
- C. South Suburban Parks & Recreation District, Lindsay Robinson
 - See the flyers attached in the email.
- D. Arapahoe Library District, Holly Whelan
 - Libraries are open 7 days a week, different libraries have different hours.
 - Kelver Library Earns Designation as a 'Family Place' Library
 - Kelver Library in Byers recently earned national recognition as a "Family Place" library. Kelver along with Eloise May, Koelbel, Sheridan & Smoky Hill libraries joins a network of libraries across the country that believe literacy begins at birth and libraries can help build healthy communities by nourishing families with expanded access to resources.
 - The overall goal of Family Place Libraries is to develop a family-friendly environment by transforming libraries into community centers for literacy, early childhood development, parent education & engagement, family support, and community information.
 - At Kelver Library, parents, caregivers and children can play with puppets and play kitchens, blocks and dolls, manipulative toys and more to keep young minds captivated.
 - For more information, call 303-LIBRARY (303-542-7279) or visit here
 - Chef Tips: Expand Your Culinary Skills
 - Whet your appetite and ignite your culinary inspiration with a virtual cooking demo and presentation by author Leticia Moreinos Schwartz on Thursday, October 7 at 6 pm.
 - Leticia is the author of three bestselling cookbooks. She's also been featured in many TV appearances and teaches virtual cooking classes.
 - Leticia will show us how to cook one of her dishes and talk about her books, followed by a Q&A. Cookbooks will be available for purchase from BookBar.
 - For adults. Free online event presented through Zoom. To register, visit here.
 - Black Communities in Colorado
 - Join us for a virtual, three-part discussion series centering on Black voices in Colorado on the following Wednesdays: Oct. 13, 20 & 27; 6-7:30 pm.
 - We will cover diverse subjects that promote healthy communities. This event is part panelist discussion, part Q&A and part attendee engagement.
 - o For adults. Free online event presented through Zoom. To register, visit here.
 - Bilingual Stories: Day of the Dead / Dia de Las Muertas

- Listen to stories surrounding the celebration of the Day of the Dead on Thurs.,
 14 Oct., 5 pm.
- Hear stories from Mexico, including The Hungry Goddess, What the Dogs Saw and Calaveras. This interactive show will be presented in English and Spanish by storyteller, podcaster and author Carolina Quiroga.
- For children and families. Free online event presented through Zoom. To register, visit here.
- E. <u>City of Centennial</u>, Council Member District 2 Christine Sweetland. Reprt was submitted.
 - We want to thank everyone that attended the 20 year anniversary celebration on 18 September 18th at the Streets of Southglenn. It was wonderful to see all the former Mayors, City Council Members and leaders that helped establish the City 20 years ago in addition to the number of Centennial neighbors who came out to celebrate the establishment of our City. It was a great event and very well received by the community as you can see from the following pictures.

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- This past week Mayor Piko and several Council Members attended the Colorado Municipal League conference in Westminster. This allowed us to meet other elected officials throughout the state. Governor Polis attended our luncheon and talked about the partnership between the State and Local Government. We attended sessions for 3 days that included topics regarding electric vehicles, creating sustainable communities, affordable housing, diversity inclusion equality & equity, HB 21-1110, relating to persons with disabilities, in addition to numerous other topics. Tammy walked over 5 miles with City of Westminster's Open Space staff viewing how they have incorporated outdoor art into their 150 miles of trails.
- On 20 Sept. the City Council unanimously approved a short term rental ordinance that will require all short term rentals to be licensed in the City. It also has a good neighbor policy so the neighbors on either side and to the back of the short term rental property will have contact information of a local person if problems arise.
- On 7 Sept., City Council approved the annual federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program through the U.S. Dept. of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) to be used for Nourish Meals on Wheels, \$40,000, and Project Angel Heart, \$12,773. Both these programs provide home delivery of meals.
- The proposed Centennial budget is now posted on the City's website <u>www.centennialco.gov/Government/Departments/Finance/City-Budget</u>. Council started initial discussions at the 13 Sept. work session and will continue at Budget Workshops on Oct. 11 & 12.
- Have you noticed the newly art wrapped traffic boxes throughout Centennial?
 There are 5 different designs that focus on community, neighborhoods, education, innovation, and business. See if you can find all 20.
- Upcoming Events:
- 23 Oct., Whiskey Warmer at Centennial Center Park from 1 5 pm and will include whiskey & spirit distillers, music & food trucks. The event is free, however tickets are required for the tastings & food may be purchased at an additional fee.
- 14 Dec., Holiday Artisan Market at Centennial Center Park, 11am 4pm and will include live music, family activities, local vendors & food trucks.
- We expect to start up our District 2 Chats in Nov. Please go to the City's website for your respective City Council District meeting.

- 4. **Active Shooter Program**, Deputy Scott Sickafoose What to do in case of an active shooter event
 - He gives this class to larger groups, churches, businesses/office buildings, (not schools, they're different.)
- 5. **Plans**, Rhonda Livingston, Vice President **Virtual Community Meeting**
 - Site Plan & Plat, 5000 E Arapahoe Rd & 4751 E. Costilla Ave., Someren Glenn Community
 Living Center: applicant proposes a 2-phased project; Phase one will include a 6,000 sf addition, repositioning the ground floor suites & repositioning of amenity & service areas on levels 1 3; Phase two concerns the existing building at 5000 E Arapahoe Rd., the current building will be demolished and replaced with a 3-story, 119,000 sf independent living building; additionally, a 3-story, 44,000 sf skilled nursing & transitional care facility is proposed. Upgrades of courtyards, patios, landscaping, signs, etc. would take place in the second phase.
 - Deadline for <u>comments</u>: 29 Sept.
 - Site plan to redevelop Cobblestone Carwash, a functionting car wash facility at 7919 E Arapahoe Rd.: the proposed project will demolish the existing building & pavement to make way for a new car wash building & associated parking, drive aisles, landscaping, sidewalks, etc., the proposed project will not change the access point to the site off of E. Arapahoe Rd. The existing retaining walls around the site will remain in place, as well.
 - Deadline for comments: 19 Oct.
- 6. Adjourn: Cummins adjourned the meeting at 9pm.

Minutes submitted by Secretary Andrea Suhaka.

Next Meeting: 25 October 2021