



Centennial Council of Neighborhoods - 23 August 04 Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 6:50 p.m. and was adjourned at 9:05 p.m. with a total of 22 members present

Arapahoe Library District - Eloise May

- The computer catalog of library items has been updated and now shows additional information (book jackets, reviews, summaries, and in some cases, the first chapter of the book, author bio's, etc)
- Library is participating in the "September Project" on September 11th. It is a "Day of Democracy in Our Nation's Libraries", and will be providing voter registration
- Koelbel library will be holding a "Culture Fest/Diversity Fair" on September 18th
- Smoky Hill library is looking for a new vendor for the coffee shop

South Suburban Parks & Recreation - Jean Flynn

- Because of illness of a board member, the fees and charges budget meeting, scheduled for October 13, may be postponed
- Citizens may provide input to the budget at the board meeting on September 8th, or through the district's web site, email, or regular mail
- Entire building for the new Littleton recreation center will be completely enclosed by Labor Day. Work is on schedule. Hope to have grand opening in spring, 2005
- Walnut Hills HOA and Castlewood Library have been working together concerning the playground at Walnut Hills park. Plans for the playground will be posted in the library during the last 2 weeks in September, along with comment cards for resident's use
- Awaiting a decision from the judge concerning the withdrawal of Cherry Hills Village from SSPRD

Arapahoe County Sheriff - Mark Fisher

- Sheriff 's Office is participating in the Pegasus Project which allows law enforcement agencies across the country to share over 7 million pieces of criminal database information
- There have been several problems with juveniles constructing home-made fireworks and explosive dry ice devices
- A 39 year old man who was making fireworks on south Lincoln Way was severely injured when the chemicals exploded
- Juveniles who were shooting paintballs and marbles at traffic on Smoky Hill Road were arrested
- On Highline Circle, a woman was found with a knife in her head. It had been thrown at her by her boyfriend

- On east Prentice Circle, a man was held up at gunpoint in his garage

Cunningham Fire District - Jerry Rhodes

- John Mullin is the new fire chief for Littleton Fire District
- September is "Preparedness Month", and is based on the "Standing Tall Project" from last year. Provides information on how to be prepared for a disaster in the home or at work
- Fire Prevention week occurs in October. In general, residents in Centennial have been successful in preventing fires
- During recent heavy rains, a Piney Creek Ranches resident attempted to drive through running water, and had to be rescued from the creek
- Contrary to recent media reports, the fire department does have alternate emergency routes into the north side of Piney Creek Ranches during periods of flooding
- CERT program in Colorado is quite a ways ahead of most of the rest of the country in promoting the CERT program

City of Centennial - Nancy Reubert

- Construction of another access road to north Piney Creek Ranches area will be considered by the County for the future
- There will be a hearing on September 8th concerning the temporary suspension of some types of development applications
- Final City Council approval given for the Cherry Creek Center development, which includes 106 dwelling units and a large retail center
- Requests for a GID have been approved by the City for water mains for Antelope and Chenango
- City now has an official quilt. It will be on display at the City offices as soon as a display case is completed
- Most storm water concerns over the past ten years have been from the Willow Creek area
- Ward 1 Town Meeting will be on September 19th, Ward 3 Town Meeting will be on October 20th, Ward 4 Town Meeting will be on September 15th

Arapahoe Park & Recreation - Rebecca Nash

- New recreation center is on schedule and under budget
- Construction of the skate park along Orchard Road is also on schedule
- Working on a horse trail connection in the communities south of the new recreation center

- Working on a pedestrian crossing over Piney Creek where it passes Bow Tie park. Should be complete by the end of August
- Bids have been let out for construction of Piney Creek Hollow Park
- A park, probably named Willow Trace Park, is scheduled for the corner of Himalaya and Jebel
- Mesa neighborhood, near Dakota Valley Elementary School, wants additional trails provided, instead of a park

City of Centennial - Randy Pye

- County has proposed a storm water utility. Preliminary estimates are that 40% of the expenses are in the City and 60% in unincorporated areas, but financing will be 60% from the City (higher density of taxable residences) and 40% from unincorporated areas. The City is taking a serious look at this, and wants the finances to come from the areas where the projects occur. City residents should not bear an extraordinary burden, but the County so far has not changed the reapportionment of cost of storm water amelioration. Most work in the City is west of I-25 in older sections of the City
- Proposed changes by the County and CDOT for Arapahoe Road between I-25 and Parker Road will hurt the City's retail business
- Proposed changes include: addition of one to two traffic lanes in each direction, construction of grade separations at several intersections, and making it a limited access road (designating Arapahoe Road as an "urban expressway"). No new access points would be allowed
- Completion of the connection between Dry Creek Road & Broncos Parkway will ease some congestion on Arapahoe Road
- The proposed changes would cost approximately (in today's dollars) \$200 million
- City suggests that travel on E-470 between Parker Road to I-25 be toll free. This would eliminate some traffic from Arapahoe Road
- City cannot afford to let changes to Arapahoe Road affect the City's retail businesses

Presentation - Littleton Church of Christ - Gus White, Kevin Stevens

- Located north of Arapahoe Road on Colorado Blvd, just south of Hanover Place sub-division
- Planned expansion will be in two stages to accommodate growth from 200 to about 800 members
- Main entrance will be from Colorado Blvd, and building will be more attractive than the current building
- Major concern from surrounding residents is water drainage from new, expanded 300 car parking areas

CenCON Reports - President - Cathy Noon

- Meeting scheduled with City officials about the distribution of the CenCON City Contact & HOA Newsletter Editor lists
- Will also review the update of last year's action item list of requested URS improvements and tasks

- Treasurer - Gerry Cummins

Checking account	\$730.37	Savings account	\$3815.53
Previous balance:		Previous balance:	
Income	\$0.00	Income (Dues)	\$270.00
Expenses	\$0.00	(Interest)	\$1.32

Closing Balance

\$730.37

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\$4086.85

- Secretary - Frank Green

- Moved by Ron Weidmann and seconded by Gerry Cummins that the June 2004 minutes be approved as read. Approval was unanimous
- A short summary of the meeting between the affected HOAs and Denver Christian Schools developers was provided. Major concerns are: Lighting, Traffic, Retail in residential area, and Environmental issues about the existing ground pollution
- Want grades 9 to 12 by fall 2005, and grades 6 to 8 added by 2007 or 2008. Moving high school from current location at Pearl & Evans

- Plans - Ron Weidmann

- Mr. Randy Pye, Ms. Andrea Suhaka, Mr. Todd Miller, Ms. Betty Ann Habig, Ms. Gail Carissimi, Ms. Nancy Reubert, & Ms. Betty Wotring left the CenCON meeting and did not participate in any discussion of the developer plans or comments
- 3 new developer plans were received. Copies of the detailed comments will be sent to all CenCON members

- Membership - Michael Kirrane

- Cherrybrook HOA has completed the information form for joining CenCON, and may be the next new member
- Jackson Farms has requested information about joining CenCON

Next CenCON meeting is September 27, 2004 at the Library Administration Building, at 6:45 PM

Map showing location of the meeting provided on: www.cencon.net