



## **Centennial Council of Neighborhoods 1 April 02 Minutes**

Meeting was called to order at 6:58 p.m. and was adjourned at 9:54 p.m. with a total of 20 members present

### **Arapahoe Library District – Eloise May**

- Castlewood Library remodeling is well under way and library remains open. There will be a time during construction when shelves will be inaccessible, library personnel will get the books for the patrons. Construction should be complete by fall 2002
- Remodeling of the children's section at Koelbel and Castlewood libraries will be coordinated so that at least one will always be accessible. Koelbel should reopen June 1
- Construction at the new Smoky Hill library is underway
- April is National Poetry Month, and Friday, April 26th is the day the poetry contest winners will be announced

### **South Suburban Park & Recreation - Jean Flynn**

- One of the 8 candidates for the 3 board positions has dropped out of contention. The election will be held on May 7th. Call 303-798-5131 for more information, or to request an absentee ballot application
- A meeting to discuss the proposed improvements at Newton middle school will be held at 7:30 p.m. on April 10th at the Goodson Recreation Center
- The discussion of the new sports complex at the land fill has been postponed until the public meeting on May 8th
- There will be a meeting concerning the trail project in the Lone Tree area on April 9th

### **Arapahoe Sheriff's Department - Mark Campbell**

- Participated in an air crash training session for 3 nights at Centennial airport, along with fire and rescue and emergency management groups
- Kids are setting fire to mailboxes in the area bounded by Holly to Yosemite, Orchard to County Line, usually on weekends
- The Amber Bill to report child abductions over the Emergency Broadcast system was passed by the State Legislature & is expected to be signed by the Governor
- New "County Sheriffs of Colorado" car decal design for squad cars belonging to all county sheriffs is being tested. It will make the squad car design common for whole state

- Arapahoe County Road & Bridge will respond to citizen's complaints about potholes, plowing, etc.
- There have been a rash of commercial burglaries from north Aurora to Douglas County, where thieves smash the glass in the front door, then grab as much as possible. Mostly at small retail businesses. Police looking for six known burglars
- Traffic Safety Team is being trained to conduct safety inspections on all classes of trucks and buses. Team will also be licensed to drive all types of vehicles, from motorcycles to the large semi-trailers
- Sheriff received a shipment of 12 additional portable defibrillators for a total of 32 units. Every supervisor's car as well as shift cars east of Parker Road will get one
- Smoky Hill substation reestablished at the original location. Had been temporarily relocated due to construction by property owner
- Meth labs and the commercial burglaries will be the main focus of the Sheriff's Impact Team when they can be spared from Patrol

### **Fire Districts - Bob Rinne**

- Work is being completed on the state level for a mutual aid agreement between all fire departments from Fort Collins to Colorado Springs in response to the events of September 11th
- Next on the agenda is a state-wide mobilization plan to shift equipment to wherever it is most needed during a disaster
- Local fire departments participated in the disaster exercises during the demolition of the old Mile High Stadium
- Construction of the new hospital is moving quickly. It may be upgraded to a level 1/2 trauma center
- Because of the events of September 11th, more federal money is being made available to the fire & rescue departments

### **City of Centennial – Mayor - Randy Pye**

- City has allocated about \$4 million for rehabilitation of about 12.8 miles of roadways within the city, most on east side of Parker Road. After final approval, maps will be provided showing the areas affected
- A ban on the sale of fireworks in the city of Centennial has passed. There were 6 fireworks stands in Centennial last year. Sale still legal in unincorporated Arapahoe County
- An ordinance to ban the use of fireworks in Centennial after July 15, 2002 will have a second reading by City Council on April 18th. Public invited to attend meeting and give comments to Council
- Work is continuing on the nuisance ordinance
- Sales tax revenue has been less than planned because not all businesses have been collecting it. Of 2600 identified businesses, only about 1300 report monthly, and less than half of the 1300 reported collecting the tax. There are notification, educational, and enforcement issues that will be addressed and hopefully resolved by late spring

- The City will be very careful about spending money, even if already allocated, until it is determined that the City will really have the money in hand. Capital improvement projects may be delayed until the money is received.

### **City of Centennial – Ward III - Andrea Suhaka**

- Walnut Hills is sponsoring a community meeting about the T-REX project at the Walnut Hills school on April 11th at 7:00 p.m.
- There will be a ward 3 public meeting at the Creekside Elementary school on April 8th. Meeting is open to everyone
- There will be a meeting to coordinate Centennial events (Western Welcome Week, pancake breakfast, Founder's Day celebrations, etc.) on April 7th at 3:00 p.m. at the home of Randy & Susan Pye. Volunteers are welcome
- A law was passed at the state legislature to switch the administration of the General Improvement Districts (GID) from the Arapahoe County Commissioners to the Centennial City Council

### **Public Transportation Committee - Ty Henken**

- DRCOG is about \$1.8 Billion short in capital spending. As a result they will update their 20 year plan for 2020 to extend out to 2025, postponing some of the previously scheduled projects. One of the projects discussed was the widening of Arapahoe Road east & west of Parker Road

### **Discussion of Centennial Airport - Brian Vogt**

- Airport needs to be protected as a general aviation and corporate airport because it is an essential element of the regional economy
- Scheduled passenger service is opposed, and 30 seat compliance is unacceptable
- Airport requires funding for capital improvements, maintenance, rehabilitation, and security
- Another year's worth of interim funding may be needed, as follows:

Fuel flow usage fee continuation, as alternative to landing fees \$300,000

Arapahoe County \$1,500,000

Local cities and Douglas County \$300,000

- In the long term, to re-acquire FAA funding:

Airport Authority Board will drop prohibition on 9 seat or less passenger service

Place a mill levy increase of 1/3 of 1 mill on November, 2000 ballot for all of Arapahoe County, with a sunset provision upon compliance and/or resumption of federal funds, at 9 seats or 0 seats using a 25 mile rule or a reliever airport rule, or the retirement of bonds

Pursue federal legislation to provide for zero seat compliance, either by a 25 nautical mile amendment or a reliever airport amendment to federal aviation laws

- Extra \$0.02/0.03 on fuel tax for security since 9/11 attacks may be reduced if the FAA resumes funding
- Noise mitigation study actions are on hold at FAA because Centennial Airport is currently not in compliance with FAA rules. Hence there is no money for the noise abatement issues
- Two public meetings to discuss the Finance Committee's proposed resolution will be April 11th at the Holiday Inn at Centennial Airport (next to the Control Tower). First is at 3:00 p.m. and second is at 7:00 p.m.
- Centennial City Council voted 4 to 3 against Finance Committee proposed resolution since it might require Centennial to spend money it didn't have
- Greenwood Village and Aurora voted in favor of the proposed resolution
- It was moved by Ron Weidmann, seconded by Michael Kirrane that CENCON support the proposed Finance Committee Resolution. The vote was 19 in favor, 0 against, with 1 abstaining

#### **Officer Reports - President - Cathy Noon**

- A letter supporting the Finance Committee's proposed resolution about Centennial Airport will be sent to the Airport Authority Board
- Centennial ordinance committee will meet every Monday during April except April 29th. Report is due May 15th
- Arapahoe County's Transportation Plan has been submitted for adoption
- South Metro Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a transportation update, with the executive director of CDOT (Tom Norton) and the general manager of RTD (Cal Marsella) on Tuesday, April 16th at 7:00 p.m. the Hyatt Regency DTC. Will discuss latest transportation planning and legislative issues, including T-REX, FasTracks, and state funding alternatives. There is an entrance fee required
- Meeting on April 3rd at Dry Creek Elementary school at 7:00 p.m. concerning a proposed McDonald's gas & convenience store at Dry Creek & Yosemite on the Northeast corner. Plans have not yet been submitted
- CENCON is not getting the Planning Commission agenda by e-mail anymore
- There is a proposed construction for a new Tony's Meats on Dry Creek Rd. Other businesses will also be included
- Presentation by the Parker & E-470 hospital group is in May
- Storm water drainage issued will be presented in June
- The president suggested that the secretary be compensated. It was moved by Claudette Cooper, and seconded by Michael Kirrane, that the secretary receive \$45.00 per month. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote

### **- Treasurer - Gerry Cummins**

- Checking account Previous balance: \$399.18  
Income (dues) \$315.00  
Expenses \$0.00  
Closing Balance \$714.18
- Savings account Previous balance: \$1251.46  
Closing Balance \$1251.46

### **- Secretary - Frank Green**

- It was moved by Lynn Leader, seconded by Gerry Cummins, that the March minutes be approved. Approval was unanimous

### **- Plans - Plans Committee**

- Committee consists of: Brad Calbert (chair), Russ Powell, Ron Weidmann, Stephanie Piko, Tony Murray
- Committee will work with the Centennial Land Use Services Department
- One new developer plan for "Shoppes at Chester" was discussed and comments from the members about parking and drainage were noted. The Plans Committee will further investigate the plan for other comments

### **- Election of Vice-Presidents for 2002**

It was voted unanimously by voice vote to elect Michael Kirrane as First Vice-President for Membership, and Brad Calbert as Second Vice-President for Plans