

Centennial Council of Neighborhoods - 6 October 03 Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 6:50 p.m. and was adjourned at 9:50 p.m. with a total of 19 members present

Arapahoe Library District - Eloise May

- Library has election information on their web site <u>www.arapahoelibraries.org</u> under the link "Election Central". This information is also available at each of the libraries near the front desk.
- Distributed a "fact sheet" concerning the reasons for the library's request for a tax increase
- Library usage has increased by over 30%
- Storytelling Festival is the weekend of October 10,11, & 12 at Koelbel and Smoky Hill libraries
 - At Koelbel Reservations required call 303-220-7704
 Friday, 10 October from 7 to 9 P.M. ages 8 and up Stories to Chill Your Bones

Saturday, 11 October from 8:30 to 11:45 A.M. – adults – Telling Biographical Stories & Whose Story Is It and Can I Tell It Saturday, 11 October from 1:15 to 3:30 P.M. – storytelling performances by guests of the library

At Smoky Hill

Friday, 10 October from 6 to 8 P.M. – Scary Stories for ages 11-18 at the Old Coal Creek School, 800 Telluride. Bring a flashlight Sunday, 12 October from 2 to 3 P.M. – all ages – Family Fun Stories

- Landscaping at Smoky Hill library is being upgraded and weed control is being applied
- Call Kathy Farrel at 303-740-8203 to obtain signs indicating your support for the library tax increase

Arapahoe Sheriff's Office - Bruce Williamson

- Deputies made arrests of "criminal mischief to a motor vehicle" of several people who were shooting out windows of vehicles parked on the street or in driveways.
 Hundreds of victims and a cost of at least \$50,000 to \$100,000 in damages
- Case of sexual assault on a child in Palos Verdes is still open. A person who was selling pizza coupons door to door and who committed a sexual assault near Highlands 460 HOA has been caught. A Centennial resident who sexually assaulted a 16-year-old from Colorado Springs has also been caught.
- Garage burglaries continue to be a serious problem. Close and lock your garage at night to prevent problems

- Residents can sign up for email advisories from the Sheriff's Office by going to <u>www.arapahoesheriff.org</u> and selecting the link to sign up. These advisories provide information about current crimes and arrests
- Neighborhoods who want to get information about "Neighborhood Watch" can call Deputy Amir Stephen at 720-874-3752 or email him at <u>astephen@co.arapahoe.co.us</u> Deputies will attend HOA meeting to present information

South Suburban Parks & Recreation - Jean Flynn

- Annual public hearing on proposed changes to fees & charges is on Wednesday,
 8 October at 7:30 P.M. at Goodson Recreation Center
- New dog park named "Bark Park", will have access and parking on County Line Road. Fence construction to begin within a few weeks, and park should be open by mid November
- Another "Living Well" free lecture on Thursday, 16 October at 6:00 P.M. at Goodson Recreation Center. Lecture will be "4 Steps to a Stronger Back"
- Halloween "Spooktacular" party will be on Friday, 24 October from 6 to 9 P.M. at the Goodson recreation center. Advance tickets are \$4.00 from the Recreation Center, or online at www.sspr.org
- Construction at Littleton and Lone Tree Recreation Centers going well
- There will be a new skate park facility at Sheridan
- "Matching Gifts" program will begin in January. About \$10,000 will be available if the annual budget is approved

Arapahoe Park & Recreation - Rebecca Nash

- District has been asked to maintain the Bow Tie property (near Cherry Creek State Park and Parker Road), but the property is not in the district, and is owned by the City of Centennial
- Asked for CenCON members' opinions concerning the need for funding for this
 maintenance. Will district members who pay taxes object to using tax money for
 maintaining this park? At this time, the relative costs for maintenance are not
 known
- Moved into a new District Office and have hired a District manager for the first time. Taking applications to hire a Rec Center manager
- Developing a design for a water slide for the Lookout Pool facility

Cunningham Fire District - Jerry Rhodes

- This week, 6 to 11 October, is Fire Prevention week. The theme for this year is "Get Out, Stay Out". Many fire related deaths caused by people who have gotten out of a fire, but then went back in to look for a loved one, a pet, or a prized possession
- Parker Fire will host fire prevention week festivities on Main Street on 11 October
- At Littleton Fire, there will be an "open house" at Station One on 11 October
- South Metro Fire will dedicate their new Station Thirty-Four on 18 October from 10 A.M. till Noon
- Cunningham Fire had a pancake breakfast at Station Sixty-Three. Between 700 and 1000 people attended

- Parker Fire Chief Dan Qualman and Operations Chief John York received a National Accreditation award. Prevention Chief Jim Drummond also received his credentials for arson investigation
- All four Fire Districts working on getting federal grants
- Fire equipment at Buckley Air Force base is now available for emergencies within the city

City of Centennial - City Council Ward 3 - Susan Nix

- Aurora gave Centennial, for free, the software used in Municipal Court administration, which is valued between \$100,000 and \$200,000
- City received \$1,400,000 Highway Users Tax fund money. City is now planning to hire a Code Enforcement Officer, an Accounting Technician, a Council/Citizen Request Liaison, a Liquor License Administrator, and a Deputy City Clerk
- Municipal Court will start in November
- City will annex property where Wal-Mart plans to construct a new store in Centennial. This will help provide much needed tax revenue
- Rocky Mountain News had a 2 page article about Centennial on Monday, 6 October
- Alan Fletcher, City Council member for ward 4, has resigned
- Also, Bob Cole, the attorney for Centennial, has resigned effective January 1
- City Council will start meeting on Monday nights (instead of Thursday) beginning in January
- Council is now working on the City's budget

City of Centennial - Community Relations - Nancy Reubert

 Asked for suggestions and discussions about putting HOA information on the City's web site community page. Contact Ms. Reubert at 303-754-3327 or nreubert@centennialcolorado.com

City of Centennial – Transportation -Tex Elam

- RTD Route #66 bus now extended to the Arapahoe Park-n-Ride on Saturdays
- In January, RTD Route #153 will be extended to end at the Arapahoe Crossings shopping center, and will connect with Route #66
- If Lone Tree joins the transportation district, Route 26X will be extended to end at the Skyridge Medical Center. Service offered on weekdays at 15-minute peak, 30-minute base, and 60-minute night frequency. Weekday & Saturday hours are 6 A.M. to 11 P.M., Sunday from 10 A.M. to 7 P.M. Saturday service is on a 30 minute frequency
- Route #473 will also be extended to end at Skyridge Medical Center. 30 minute frequency on weekdays and Saturdays from 6 A.M. to 11 P.M. with 60 minute frequency on Sunday from 10 A.M. to 7 P.M.
- Public hearings on these changes will be held at: Aurora Heather Gardens, 2888
 S. Heather Gardens Way, #102, on Thursday, 9 October at 7 P.M. and at Denver Tech Center, 6399
 S. Fiddlers Green Circle on Wednesday, 8 October at 7 P.M.
- For more information, call Mr. Elam at 303-741-4491 or telam@centennialcolorado.com

CenCON Reports - President - Cathy Noon

- First town meeting on City of Centennial's Comprehensive Plan will be October 28th at 7:00 PM. The Comprehensive Plan committee meets on the first and third Tuesdays of the month at the City Offices. The public is welcome to attend
- Because of the City Council's move to Monday, CenCON will have to move the monthly meeting starting in January 2004. Members indicated that the most popular choices for change are:
 - Fourth Monday of the month at the Library Administration Building
 - o First Thursday of the month at the Library Administration Building
 - First Tuesday of the month at the Library Administration Building
- Centennial residents can comment on the Marathon re-development on Wednesday, 22 October at 7 P.M. at the Littleton Courthouse
- City map has been updated with HOA locations, and a copy has been given to John Pazour at the City
- New Contact and Newsletter lists will be given to the City, Library, South Suburban, Sheriff, and Fire Districts
- Ward 4 forum for the City Council candidates will be Sunday, 12 October from 2 to 4 P.M. at the Smoky Hill Library
- Information about free web site from Neighborhood Link will be posted on CenCON web site, <u>www.cencon.net</u>

- Treasurer - Gerry Cummins

Checking account Previous balance:	\$ 737.87	Savings account Previous balance:	\$ 3102.69
Income	\$ 0.00	Income (Dues)	\$ 90.00
Expenses	\$ 138.99	(Interest)	\$ 5.72
Closing Balance	\$ 598.88	Closing Balance	\$ 3198.41

- Secretary - Frank Green

 Moved by Lynn Leader and seconded by Michael Kirrane that the September 2003 minutes be approved as read. Approval was unanimous

- Membership - Michael Kirrane

 Several HOAs who were delinquent in their dues have paid. Some inactive members have again become active

- Plans - Brad Calbert

- Seven developer plans were discussed. Copies of the comments for the plans will be distributed to all members
 - Estancia development
 - ACWWPID water storage tank
 - Wal-Mart property annexation
 - Personal Touch Catering

- Greenfield Pump Station Wells Fargo Bank
- Carter Custom
- o JoAnns Fabrics & Michael's Crafts & Wolf Camera, & Creative Leather