

### Centennial Council of Neighborhoods 6 May 02 Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 6:48 p.m. and was adjourned at 9:22 p.m. with a total of 17 members present

### Arapahoe Parks & Recreation - Rebecca Nash

- Election on May 7th at the Piney Creek clubhouse on Orchard Road. At issue is a tax for a new recreation center
- The new Lookout Swimming Pool will be dedicated on June 1st

#### Arapahoe Library District – Marlu Burkamp

- The 2002 Arapahoe Community Info Guide has been published. Call 303-798-2444 to obtain a printed copy. Also available on library's web site: www.arapahoelibraries.org
- Smoky Hill library ground breaking will take place on May 11th

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

- Election will be held on May 7th for 3 positions on the SSP&R board. There are 7 candidates for the positions
- "Name the Park" contest for the new sports complex being constructed at the landfill at County Line & Colorado. Deadline to submit suggestions is June 21st. Submit suggestions to: JeanF@ssprd.org

#### Arapahoe Sheriff's Department - Grayson Robinson

- Each HOA will receive information on how to start/revitalize a Neighborhood Watch program This will be a major effort by the Sheriff's department to double the neighborhood watch efforts in the next 12 months, as requested by the President of the United States
- The Enhanced Neighborhood Watch Program is part of the Homeland Defense
   effort
- Sheriff's department will work with the Boy Scouts, who will provide the installation of the signs
- Currently testing an e-mail alert system. This will provide automatic e-mail from the Sheriff's office to citizens with information about crime activities in our neighborhoods, crime prevention tips, and "special" reports about what is going on in the community. This service requires the citizen to register their e-mail address on the Arapahoe Sheriff's Department website: www.arapahoesheriff.org

## - Amir Stephen

- Call 720-874-3429 to schedule a visit to your HOA meeting by Deputy Stephen, who will assist is setting up the program
- Sheriff's office will present an award to the HOA with the best watch program at the end of the 12 months

# Fire Districts - Bob Rinne

- Swedish hospital is classified as a level 2 trauma center, but it meets all the requirements for a level 1 trauma center
- Divert status by local hospitals is much less frequent now than it used to be
- Local fire equipment was sent to help with the wildland forest fires. Federal funding is paying the expenses for this effort
- The Denver Metro Fire Chiefs are working on an inter-government agreement for mutual aid. Includes the front range from Poudre Valley to Colorado Springs.
- Next effort is a standard mobilization plan for the same areas. This will be extremely important if events like September 11th happen again
- Area fire departments get a daily update from T-REX as to road closures, trouble spots, etc.
- The Haz Mat fire truck which was stolen and wrecked has been repaired and will be in service shortly
- Fire department has applied for a \$200,000.00 federal grant to improve equipment, training, etc.
- South Metro's new administration building is at Mineral & Chester. Paid \$5 million for a building worth \$17 million

# City of Centennial – Ward III - Andrea Suhaka

- Bryan Weimer from Arapahoe County provided a list of probable Public Works for the period from 2003 to 2008
  - Dry Creek pedestrian bridge over I-25
  - Arapahoe Road reconstruction from Holly to Colorado
  - Arapahoe/University intersection
  - Parker/Arapahoe Interchange ROW
  - Parker Rd white-topping (1 mile south of Arapahoe to Lincoln)
  - Arapahoe/Clinton/Boston Intersection
  - Arapahoe Park-n-Ride Access Improvements
  - County Line/University intersection
  - County Line Rd from Colorado to University
- And also a list of possible projects (if enough money can be obtained)
  - Piney Creek Trail
  - Arapahoe/Colorado intersection
  - Arapahoe/Holly intersection
- Arapahoe Rd Corridor Study (I-25 to Parker)
  - Arapahoe/Parker Interchange Final Design
- It will help obtain funding if citizens will send letters to DRCOG requesting federal funds for these improvements. Normally, the north & west suburbs are well

represented at the meeting and make their opinions heard. Our area needs to be more vocal to obtain more of the available monies

DRCOG will hold a transportation hearing on May 15th at I-25 and Speer at 7:00 p.m.

## City of Centennial – Ward I - George Gatseos

- On September 14th, the City of Centennial will hold a 5K "Centennial Cup Race". Profits will go toward the benefit of Centennial youths
- No public monies will be used for this event

## City of Centennial - City Manager - John Pazour

- Majority of cities in U.S. that are the size of Centennial are "Council Management" type of governments
- Business Manager runs the city government on a "business" model, similar to a corporation
- Manager conducts the day-to-day "nuts & bolts" business, City Council establishes policy
- Community building is very important and is the first step of series of actions which will require heavy community involvement
- Manager is concerned with developing an on-going government structure
- How does the City collect all the taxes which have been authorized, approved, and budgeted
- Need to develop a small, permanent staff of people
- Need to enhance the contracts for the City services to include performance evaluation criteria
- Set up necessary administrative infra-structure
- Determine what the long term revenue base for the City will be, and how the revenue structure can be maintained
- Determine how the City will develop and eventually look
- Development of vacant properties
- Redevelopment of older areas
- Determine the best way to communicate information, issues, and problems to the citizens for citizen feedback
- Continue to keep citizen involvement at a high level
- CENCON will serve as a means of communication between the homeowners and the City government

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

- The Nuisance and Vehicle ordinance reports will be delivered to the City Council by May 15th
- Noise ordinance is still being discussed
- The desirability of a new, dedicated web site for CENCON was discussed. It was
  agreed that this would be a worthwhile venture, since it can be obtained at a
  small annual cost, and because of the difficulties of using the current
  Neighborhood Link site
- Some member HOA's have not yet provided the e-mail address for their HOA newsletter

• Storm water & new hospital reports scheduled for next month's meeting

### - Treasurer - Gerry Cummins

- Checking account Previous balance:\$714.18
- Expenses \$0.00
- Closing Balance \$714.18
- Savings account Previous balance: \$1251.46
- Income (Dues) \$225.00
   (Interest) \$3.77
- Closing Balance \$1480.23

### - Secretary - Frank Green

• It was moved by Gerry Cummins and seconded by Michael Kirrane that the April minutes be approved. Approval was unanimous

### - Membership - Michael Kirrane

- Letters have been prepared to send to new HOA's, ex-members, and inactive members
- Very difficult to identify which HOA's are within Centennial
- Possibly the older neighborhoods that don't have an HOA can form a Civic Association and be a member of CENCON

### - Plans - Plans Committee

- Committee consists of: Brad Calbert (chair), Russ Powell, Ron Weidmann, Stephanie Piko, Tony Murray
- Committee is working with Thom Rounds from the Centennial Land Use Services Department
- One new developer plan for a major development near Jorden and Arapahoe was described. The Plans Committee will further investigate the plan for comments and provide a summary to the general membership at the next meeting. The comments are due by May 23rd. There appears to be a problem with the density