



Centennial Council of Neighborhoods 3 June 02 Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 6:51 p.m. and was adjourned at 10:04 p.m. with a total of 18 members present

Arapahoe Library District – Eloise May

- There are 4 Arapahoe District Libraries in Centennial, and all are undergoing building construction
- Southglenn is enlarging the children's room and providing more room for books
- Castlewood construction is on schedule for an late October completion date. Library will be closed from 1 July to 5 July. On 6 July, there will be "storefront" library on west side of building. This is a smaller version of the library containing the most popular items. A "personal shopper" service will be provided where the staff will get requested items from the closed off areas for the patrons. This will continue for the rest of the summer. There will be no Story Hours during the summer
- Koelbel construction will be completed by the end of July
- Smoky Hill is ahead of schedule. Anticipate an early spring completion
- An adult reading program has been implemented for all the libraries. Turn in the book titles you've read to participate in a drawing for prizes

South Suburban Park & Recreation - Jean Flynn

- East Cherry Creek Valley Water & Sanitation District is requesting easements through Holly Park and Willow Springs Open Space. SSPRD will hold a public meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, 12 June at Goodson Recreation Center concerning this matter
- East Cherry Creek Valley was supposed to have public information meetings with all the affected HOAs
- The "Name the New Sports Complex" contest will continue until 21 June 2002

Arapahoe Sheriff's Department - Bruce Williamson

- There have been a number of burglaries and automobile thefts in the area, especially the Smoky Hill area
- Most suspects are entering homes through open or unlocked garage doors, or other doors providing access to the home
- Most crimes occurring between midnight and 6:00 a.m.
- Sheriff provided handout with suggestions:
 - Always keep overhead garage doors closed, and access doors to the garage locked, even if at home
 - Never leave keys or valuables in an unattended vehicle

- Keep passage doors from garage to residence locked
- Keep exterior lights on during nighttime hours
- Immediately report any suspicious persons or vehicles at 303-795-4711
- Contact Sheriff's Office at 720-874-3429 to establish Neighborhood Watch Program
- Several arrests have been made. Teenagers are using stolen cars to transport and deliver illegal drugs

Fire Districts - Jerry Rhodes

- EMS Week activities went well. Many people said "Thank You" to the men and women that respond to their medical emergencies every day. Council members Fletcher and Wotring greeted guests at the Cunningham FD open house. Approximately five hundred visitors on May 25 Fire Prevention Week is October 6-12. Call your Fire District to arrange joint ventures with HOAs for activities for that week
- The new Lookout swimming pool opened Saturday. Location is Riviera and Piccadilly next to Cunningham Station #3
- Open space and drainages are the current fire problem in the area. Citizens should cut grass/ground cover within twenty feet of their fence (if next to South Suburban Parks & Recreation District property, call them and they will trim the grass on their property). Please be careful not to trespass on private property however. HOAs should review covenants that do not allow fire resistive shingles
- Cherry Creek State Park is ripe for a large fire. It will take work this year to have fire free days
- Parker and South Metro FD wildland teams have been deployed many times this year. Cunningham and Littleton have sent resources to the fires earlier this year. This is not affecting your normal responses at this point
- Suggestion to use the electronic sign boards, news letters, e-mails, web sites, etc. starting in mid June to inform citizens of the fire danger and fireworks. "Do not drive to Wyoming to purchase fireworks that are illegal in Colorado". This would be a good media campaign

City of Centennial – Mayor - Randy Pye

- Received nuisance and vehicle parking ordinances from the working committee. Some HOAs want them implemented quickly, but others want to delay because of the costs associated with implementing the ordinances in light of the current financial conditions. Waiting for the committee's report on the noise ordinance
- Sale of fireworks is banned in Centennial, but use of legal fireworks is still allowed only this year. The City is encouraging everyone not to use any type of fireworks because of the fire danger
- There will be a "Water Summit" this Saturday, 8 June, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the City office Council Chambers. Nine water districts will participate, including Denver Water Board and Aurora Water. Purpose of meeting is to gather information about water restrictions and supplies to pass on to the citizens
- City revenue problems are not as bad as advertised in the media. A payment was deferred, but no payments have defaulted. Because of the general downturn in the economy, the City is looking at budget and services reductions. A more accurate accounting of the financial situation will be available later in the summer

- DRCOG approved funding for the following projects for the 2004 to 2008 time period
 - Dry Creek pedestrian bridge over I-25
 - Arapahoe Road reconstruction from Holly to Colorado
 - C-470 from I-25 to I-70 Environment Impact Statement
 - County Line/University intersection
 - County Line Rd widening from Colorado to University
 - Parker/Arapahoe Interchange ROW
 - I-25 from Broadway to Lincoln Light Rail stations
 - Arapahoe/University intersection

Parker Adventist Hospital Presentation - Brian Moore

- Located at Southeast corner of Parker Road and E-470 on 40 acres, but initial development will only be 20 acres
- Phase One will provide 101 beds with a Spring 2004 opening
- Hospital and Doctor's Medical Offices are contiguous
- Hospital is "state-of-the-art" design with many functional design suggestions from medical staff, especially nursing. Design is not a "typical" hospital design. Lobby will feature a 3 story stone fireplace
- Patient rooms are designed on a "universal room" concept. Rather than moving a patient from room to room, the necessary medical equipment will be moved to the patient. Each room can function as intensive care, regular medical care, or specialized care. Rooms are oversized, with an area for family visiting, and a separate area for medical staff work
- Full service 21 bed, 24/7 emergency room department
- Full imaging capabilities (CT, MRI, X-ray, ultrasound, interventional radiology)
- Cardiopulmonary services, including nuclear medicine and "cath" lab
- OB floor utilizes the LDRP model (labor, delivery, recovery, post-partum). Patient stays in one room for entire hospital stay

Storm Water Management Presentation - Steven Gardner

- Area has experienced many storm water problems during the past few years
- Problems are getting worse, and County & City do not have resources to fix them
 - Aging infrastructure
 - Broken and/or blocked drainage pipes
 - County does not know the full extent of pipe conditions
 - Some manhole covers providing access to the pipes are buried; others are too far apart or non-existent
 - Upstream development is causing more and more problems for the areas downstream of the water flow
 - Some sections of underground piping do not have access manholes
 - County did not have standards/requirements at the time some of the drainage pipes were laid
- Many drainage problems are bigger than homeowners or HOAs can handle
- Last year's heavy rains flooded Arapahoe Road, numerous basements and yards
- Older (20 to 30 years) sub-division developments allowed building in the flood plain (before standards existed)

- EPA has issued new water quality requirements for a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System for storm water. Estimated annual cost is \$300,000 to \$600,000
- Storm water protection in the County and the City is not adequate
- Available funding is not sufficient to complete the required work
- County has a small inspection and maintenance program established
- A pilot study was conducted in 1999 to estimate what was needed to fix the problems
 - Capital backlog of large drainage way improvements, ballpark figure of \$23,000,000
 - Future need for capital improvements, ballpark figure of \$25,000,000
 - Many remedial drainage improvements, ballpark figure of \$25,000,000
- An inventory of the entire system is needed before accurate dollar amounts can be determined
- Average current spending for drainage improvements is about \$3,000,000
- Goals are to craft a basic program to:
 - Protect people from flooding
 - Restore and maintain drainage infrastructure
 - Protect water quality
 - Find most equitable way to pay for the improvements
- Have created a Storm Water Advisory Committee to look at the problems and goals. Meets on monthly basis
- Proposed methods of paying for the work
 - Increased property taxes
 - Special taxing district
 - Sales and/or use tax
 - Service fee (Storm Water Utility)
 - Increased developer fees
 - Local improvement districts
- Recommended method is Storm Water Utility and increased developer fees
 - Organizational and legal entity
 - Does not require vote by the citizens to implement
 - Fees are a stable, adequate, flexible, and equitable source of income
 - TABOR amendment does not really affect the fees
- Fees are equitable because they are based on the amount of impervious area coverage
- Storm Water Utility fees are not a tax, and can not be used as a tax deduction
- For more information, please contact Mr. Steven Gardner, Program Manager, Engineering Division in Arapahoe County, by phone at 720-874-6500, or e-mail at sgardner@co.arapahoe.co.us

Officer Reports - President - Cathy Noon

- The Nuisance and Vehicle ordinance reports were delivered to the City Council by May 15th
- Noise ordinance is still being discussed, but should be done soon
- Because many members will be on vacation during the 4th of July holiday, the members voted to cancel the regular July CENCON meeting
- Is CENCON interested in sponsoring a "candidate forum" for County Commissioners. CENCON would just moderate the discussion. It was decided to

wait until all candidates are identified. Forum would be separate from the regular CENCON meeting, and be open to the public

- Sheriff is contacting HOAs about the Neighborhood Watch program

- Treasurer - Gerry Cummins

Checking account		Savings account	
Previous balance:	\$ 714.18	Previous balance:	\$ 1480.23
Income	\$ 0.00	Income (Dues)	\$ 225.00
Expenses	\$ 0.00	(Interest)	\$ 0.00
Closing Balance	\$ 714.18	Closing Balance	\$ 1705.23

- Secretary - Frank Green

- It was moved by Ron Weidmann and seconded by Gerry Cummins that the May minutes be approved. Approval was unanimous

- Membership - Michael Kirrane

- Membership drive is just about ready to get under way

- Plans - Plans Committee

- Each member of the Plans committee provided a brief background of experience in reviewing developer plans
- Plans committee meets at 7:00 p.m. on the Tuesday before the CENCON meeting at Brad Calbert's office, near I-225 & Iliff. All members are welcome to attend. Appropriate CENCON members will be notified of plans affecting their HOAs before the meeting
- A summary of the comments for each of 5 developer's plans were presented. There is a standardized format for comments, and the developer's Letter of Intent is attached to each comment sheet
- Complex or controversial plans will be presented in greater detail to the general membership