

CENTENNIAL COUNCIL OF NEIGHBORHOODS

12855 E. Adam Aircraft Circle

November 28, 2011

Minutes

- I. Call to Order: 6:45 pm
 - Attendance (members): There was no quorum!

Arapahoe Highlands	Palos Verdes
Greenwood South	Piney Creek
Hanover Place	Ridgeview Hills North
Heritage Greens	Smoky Hill
Homestead Farm	Walnut Hills
Hunters Hill	Willow Creek I
Hunters Hill Condos	Willow Creek 2
Nob Hills/Ridgeview Hills South	
 - Guests: Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office, Arapahoe Library Dist., Arapahoe Park & Rec. Dist., Centennial City Council Districts 2 & 4, Centennial Senior Commission (3), Littleton Fire Dist.
- II. Guest Comments
 - A. Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office, Chief Bruce Williamson
 - www.arapahoesherriff.org
 - The ACSO has made its holiday operations plans. It will beef up around the shopping areas and there will be more traffic patrol.
 - They are revising their emergency plans for the Occupy movement should there be action in Arapahoe County or they be called in to help Denver. They had 1 Occupy incident on a Sat. afternoon with no trouble.
 - Bike lanes: Because of a previous question about these, you can cross over the white bike lane lines, but keep your eyes open, you can't cut a bike off, you must maintain a 3' cushion between your vehicle and a bike.
 - Doerr: There is concern about streets that don't have a center stripe, are streets wide enough for such lanes. BW: yes, legally, there is plenty of room wherever there is a lane.
 - There was a call to the 6700 block of S. Glencoe apartments for a son beating on his mother, he probably under the influence of something. He's being held in custody.
 - A call to the Big Sandy Park on east side, there were two groups of youth who attacked ea other, a weapon was fired, everyone ran and was chased, but they got away. The next day the deputies found one boy who gave information on the rest and they were caught.
 - There were two shootings in Smoky Hill. ACSO couldn't find the gun but found lots of shells, which they're working to match everything up. Two suspects were arrested.
 - A suspicious object was found outside at Smoky Hill Library on 11/13. The bomb squad blew it up, but it turned out to be nothing (a prank?).
 - Fulk: Has the Graham case (Willow Creek murder) been resolved? BW: It's still in front of the grand jury, but they think they have the killer.
 - Cummins: Have they caught anyone for the tire slashings across from Piney Creek? BW: No one has been found, yet.
 - B. Arapahoe Library District: Eloise May, Executive Director
 - www.arapahoelibraries.org/
 - Gifts for the holidays:

- Don't forget the used bookstores in the libraries for gifts.
 - If patrons receive eReaders for the holidays this year, we encourage them to take advantage of the District's collection of downloadable eBooks! We have them for Nook, Kindle and iPad.
 - The location for finding ebooks on the ALD website is changing, going from "On Demand" to "Downloadables", to include ebooks, audiobooks, music.
 - E-books: ALD is training staff to be ready for the surge of users who get e-readers for gifts. Use the "Can't Find It" form to request e-books that you can't find. Penguin will be backing out of the system because of the security.
 - ALD is still participating in the Everyday Book Club with Fox31. The book for Dec. is Tabloid City.
 - Freegal music service: If the Holidays won't be complete without your favorite seasonal tunes, check out Freegal on the Library District's website. Freegal allows you to download up to three songs per week from the Sony catalog with a library card. The songs are yours to keep!
 - Transparent Language Online: If you want to challenge yourself by learning a new language, use this resource. The rapid language learning system features more than 80 different languages. (This is the new name for the old BYKI (Before You Know It), which has been upgraded and renamed.
 - There's a survey on the website for music lovers. ALD is looking to change music CD check-outs to one week. Music is too popular and people want the resources. If you check out music, please, answer the survey.
 - Because of high theft rates, ALD wanted to go to a "Redbox" type of video check-out system. Haven't been able to get it to work with a library card. ALD has issued a deadline to the provider to get it to work by 12/15 or it's gone.
 - Doerr: What about Blu-ray DVDs? EM: We don't have them right now. If people request them, they may come about.
 - CenCON gave our annual thank you donation of \$750 to ALD for use of the meeting room when it's normally not available.
- C. Arapahoe Park & Rec. District: Delos Searle
- www.aprd.org
 - APRD has a Holiday Pass special, \$60 for District (\$80 non-district) for use at Trails facility 11/19-1/14. Price won't change with purchase date, so buy early for most usage.
 - The annual APRD Art & Pottery Sale of pieces by the pottery students will take place 12/3 from 9am – 4pm, at Trails Rec. Center.
 - APRD will offer lifeguard certification, 12/19–23, 9am – 5pm, at Trails. It's \$125 District (\$175 non-district) for ages 15 & up. A second session will take place 3/26-30, same hours. There are some prereqs so check the APRD website. Call Paul Macias, 3/269-8429 for more information.
 - Homeowner planted a garden on park space, in a native area. Plowed the garden out & charging the homeowner.
- D. Fire Districts, Chief John Mullin, Littleton Fire District
- www.cfpd.org, www.littletongov.org/fire, www.southmetro.org
 - Cunningham Fire: Accolades to Chief Jerry Rhodes. He's been an International Director for the International Assoc. of Fire Chiefs. He never misses a meeting.
 - There was a plane crash at Centennial airport a mile south of the runway. The pilot was checked out and walked away.
 - Budgets for all districts are being wrapped up now.

- Every fire vehicle has a mobile data terminal for directions, building maps w/exits, and the building fire equipment marked.
 - He talked about his call out to the snake fire down Santa Fe Dr.
 - There was a dramatic save about three weeks ago. A house on fire collapsed but they were able to save the two close houses on either side.
 - Littleton has not put their URL on all the vehicles and the younger fire personnel suggested they add Facebook.
 - Most fires in our area are from cooking.
 - Gardner: Were there any Black Friday incidents? Mullin: No, none in our area.
 - Clayton Moore: Are there any specific safety recommendation from you when one is remodeling a kitchen? Mullin: Yes, make sure to include a 10 lb. dry chemical fire extinguisher.
 - Fulk: how do you dispose of a fire extinguisher? Mullin: Bring them to a fire station, we'll use them for training.
 - McKenna: How often should you replace an extinguisher? Mullin: You probably don't need to replace them, just tip them upside down once a year to loosen the packed-down chemical.
- E. Cherry Creek Schools - No one present.
- <http://cherrycreekschools.org>
- F. South Suburban Park & Rec. District: Teresa Cope
- www.SSPR.org
 - Cope was not present. Cummins read from notes sent.
 - SSPRD is having a special on punch cards from Thanksgiving to the end of the year, 10% off. They're available at all rec. centers. These are also available as gift cards.
 - There will be several Skate with Santa programs at both ice arenas and holiday ice shows. See the website for information. Celebrate with Santa prior Skate with Santa sessions on Sat., Dec 17, 1-4 pm at Family Sports Ice Arena, 6901 S Peoria St. Decorate 3 Cookies & receive a special gift from Santa! For more information, contact AmandaD@sspr.org (303-708-9500, x217) or visit the website. Fee: \$5 per child.
 - SSPRD also has a Holiday Arts & Craft Fair at Goodson Rec. Center on 12/3, 9:30am-4pm.
 - There will also be a pottery sale, 12/12&13, 8am-8pm, at Goodson.
 - A new indoor golf range is now open at the Family Sports Center, 11am-2pm, Nov. -Feb., Mon.-Fri. Must purchase range balls at the Family Sports Center Golf Shop PRIOR to going to the Dome. Use of only limited flight golf balls; 42 Balls- \$5 and 84 Balls- \$8.00
- G. City of Centennial
- www.centennialcolorado.com
 - Keith Gardner, Council member, District 2
 - The contractor for the City Manager search has interviewed staff, City Council and public. He will create a pamphlet to be sent out for recruitment by 1/10.
 - The Council has approved a new RFP for Code Enforcement with CH2M Hill
 - You may have noticed the road work on Arapahoe Rd. by King Soopers. That was warranty work the contractor had to perform as the road was starting to fail.
 - An RFP for IT services will be going out.
 - Safe Routes to School has gotten a further grant for Littleton Schools because of support letters garnered from several special districts and the City. It will be

used for one school in Centennial and three in Littleton. Last year's grant was for three schools in Centennial and two in Littleton.

- A new City website should roll out on Fri.
- Centennial just opened the first Steak 'n Shake in Colorado at Quebec & County Line.
- Construction has started on a new house in FoxRidge where the house burned down several years ago.
- The Centennial Airport/Neighborhood Noise Roundtable will be putting out noise monitors in areas around the airport near the end of next year.
- Doerr: What is happening to the study area west of I-25 to Yosemite, Arapahoe Rd. to County Line? Weidmann: That area will be part of the next sub-area plan. It's just getting started now. The City will hire a consultant to do the work. Doerr: Don't just ask the homeowners what they want, bring them some ideas with which to work. Weidmann: The RFP for the consultant to work on this plan with the Land Use Committee as the steering committee will be going out shortly. That's the plan.
- Ron Weidmann, Council member, District 4
 - SEMSWA is scoping all of the stormwater pipes in their area and making a plan for some major repairs.
 - He wants to take bike lanes back to City Council to discuss: are they in the right places, are they done right.
 - We're into our 5th street sweeping of the year, 8,000 program miles per sweeping. Several CenCON members voiced displeasure with the quality of the work.
 - Centennial Center Park will be open but you may not be on the grass areas until late next year.
 - On 9 Jan., new City Council members will be sworn in.
- H. Centennial Senior Citizen's Commission, Lynn Goehring, Gail Ploen, Jim Fleenor
 - The Commission has created a questionnaire for neighborhood associations about any services they might provide to seniors in your neighborhood. There is a copy of that questionnaire linked with these minutes. Please, return it to Lynn Goehring by 15 Dec.
 - Gail Ploen and Jim Fleenor are the co-chairs of the Commission.
 - Within 20 years, we'll have doubled the number of seniors in our community; in four years it will increase 20%.
 - In Centennial, a tremendous number of homes aren't fitted for use by seniors because of stairs, doorjambs and other unfriendly conditions. We'll need to figure ways to adjust our homes so seniors don't have to move.
 - Baby boomers are not as financially solvent as the generation just ahead of them.
 - Seniors can be an incredible resource to the community. They are healthier people with time on their hands.
 - One of our goals is to have a senior section on the City website.
- III. HOA Forum: Where CenCON members can share questions and problems
 - Maurer: Ridgeview Hills North just installed a new neighborhood sign in the Arapahoe Rd. right-of-way. They worked with the City to get it placed legally. She thanked Mike Connor, Deputy Dir. of Public Works, for the time he spent working with them.
- IV. CenCON Business
 - A. President's report, Gerry Cummins
 - Cummins mentioned 2 handouts she had brought about Centennial's Home Improvement Program and DORA

- There will be no meeting in Dec. and she won't be at the Jan. meeting.
 - The County will be having a public hearing with the Planning Commission on fracking regulations on Wed.
 - Fulk: The State is proposing to eliminate the proprietary designation for fracking fluids.
- B. Secretary, Andrea Suhaka
- Because there was no quorum, the members present agreed to accept the minutes.
- C. Treasurer's report, C.J. Whelan
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| • Previous <u>Checking Account</u> Balance (from October) | \$ 1341.55 |
| Deposits: Dues <none> | \$ -.- |
| Expenses: Andrea Suhaka – 2011Q3 Admin expense | <u>(\$75.00)</u> |
| • Current Balance | \$ 1266.55 |
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| • Previous <u>Savings Account</u> Balance (from October) | \$ 2192.66 |
| Income: Interest | <u>\$ 0.00</u> |
| • Current Balance | \$ 2192.66 |
- The two above accounts are located at First National Bank, 7777 E. Arapahoe Rd
- D. First Vice President, Membership, Andrea Suhaka
- CenCON has 53 members.
 - She is working on a problem with members unknowingly unsubscribing from our mailing list.
- E. 2nd Vice President, Plans, Ed Bain.
- The CenCON officers, Cummins, Bain, Whelan, met in November to review the Arapahoe County Oil & Gas Regulations and sent comments from CenCON.

V. Adjourn: 8:27

Minutes respectfully submitted by Andrea Suhaka.

Please inform Andrea Suhaka at 303-770-0058 or standy@ecentral.com of changes in your CenCON Representative or Association President/Chair.

Next Scheduled Meeting – January 23, 2011