



# CENTENNIAL COUNCIL OF NEIGHBORHOODS

June 25, 2012

## Minutes

- I. **Call to Order**, Gerry Cummins, President
  - Cummins called the meeting to order at 6:50 pm and asked all present to introduce themselves.
  - Attendance: Members

Arapahoe Highlands	Fox Hill 4	FoxRidge
Hanover Place	Heritage Place	Homestead Farm
Homestead Farm II	Homestead in the Willows	Hunters Hills Condos
Nob Hill/Ridgeview Hills N	Palos Verdes	Piney Creek
Smoky Hill	Tiffany	Walnut Hills
Willow Creek II		
  - Attendance: Guests  
Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office, Arapahoe Library Dist., Arapahoe Park & Rec. Dist., Centennial City Council (Weidmann, Dist. 4), Centennial Staff (Wayne Reed, Tamra Gregory, Laura Hoepfner), Cunningham Fire Dist., R. Livingston
- II. **Guest Comments**
  - A. Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office (ACSO): Bruce Williamson
    - [www.arapahoesherriff.org](http://www.arapahoesherriff.org)
    - Bruce distributed a bath salts brochure. These are meth-type substances that are illegal by State Law. Deputies are being trained & will contact suspect businesses to give them a 1-week notice to remove the items from their shelves. They will then return and write tickets after 1 July. There will also be a public relations push.
    - Be very careful about people out there Impersonating police officers. If you're being stopped by someone, make sure to stop in a well-lit, high-traffic area; you can call the ACSO to verify. Bruce distributed a sheet of what to watch out for. Koch: Do deputies call in when making a stop? BW: Yes, they do, so don't be afraid to call 911 if you're stopped.
    - The Governor has issued a statewide burning ban. ACSO has banned **all** fire-works; propane grills are OK, but no open fires that can yield flying embers or sparks.
    - WReed: How about our grills in Centennial Center Park? Williamson: Charcoal is not allowed.
    - On 6/8, in the vicinity of 13950 E. Maplewood Pl., there was a bear in the neighborhood. The Dept. of Wildlife came, tranquilized & caught it for relocation.
    - On 6/10, in the 5500 block of S. Telluride, a car with an unconscious driver drove through landscaping, hit a house, and ended up hitting a parked vehicle.
    - Allen: There was some police activity with deputies using rifles in Tiffany, I couldn't find out what had happened. Williamson: I don't know, but will find out.
  - B. Arapahoe Library District: Daisy Grice
    - [www.arapahoelibraries.org](http://www.arapahoelibraries.org)
    - Grice will be the new manager of Koelbel, Castlewood, & Southglenn libraries
    - The library district is proud to announce that the new Executive Director will be Nicolle Davies, a current employee.

- Summer at the library is very busy: Summer reading program is bringing lots of folks to the library
  - Eric Litwin, a popular children's author, will be visiting Smoky Hill Lib. on 11 July at 6 pm. Reservations required, see the library website.
  - The Southglenn Lib. will hold it's Friends Super Sidewalk Sale July13-15, 10 am-6:30 pm (Sunday, Noon-4:30).
  - On July 28-29, there'll be a Paperback Palooza at Smoky Hill Lib.
  - Daisy gave us a reminder that Freegal, holding the entire Sony catalog, is available for patrons. You may download up to 3 songs per week, free.
  - WReed: Will there be a celebration for Eloise May's retirement? Grice: Yes, but the details aren't ready for release, yet.
- C. Arapahoe Park & Rec. District: DeLos Searle
- [www.aprd.org](http://www.aprd.org)
  - APRD is starting its third cycle of native mowing in the parks. They cut 6-8' on both sides of trail & along the fence lines. Mowings are about 4 weeks apart.
  - Vandalism has been a problem. At Lookout Pool, someone lit a couch on fire & destroyed the shelter. There has been damage to fields by kids driving on them and graffiti.
  - APRD will have a Bike to Work station at Parker & Orchard.
- D. Fire Districts: Ralph Vickrey, Cunningham Fire
- [www.cfpd.org](http://www.cfpd.org), [www.littletongov.org/fire](http://www.littletongov.org/fire), [www.southmetro.org](http://www.southmetro.org)
  - Firefighters have been practicing in a mid-rise (up to 4 stories) building in GWV. This helps when they're called for on mutual aid.
  - South Metro has crews at High Park and Springer fires and in WY. Littleton has crew at the High Park fire.
  - The ACSO wildland fire crew was called out to the fire in east Arapahoe County.
  - Chief Mullin, Littleton, is working at the state Emergency Operation Center on the fires.
  - Several CO fire dept. are ready to be accredited: Cunningham, West Metro.
  - Vickrey thanked folks for coming to EMS Open House. There were over 500 in attendance. It's always the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend in May at the Picadilly & Riviera station.
  - Cunningham hosted a group of bureaucrats from Slovenia for a short meeting.
  - Cunningham will be receiving a new medical unit. South Metro got theirs last week.
  - Cunningham is working hard on rebuilding their Sta. 63.
- E. Cherry Creek Schools: no one <http://cherrycreekschools.org>
- F. South Suburban Park & Rec. District: no one [www.SSPR.org](http://www.SSPR.org)
- G. Open Space Advisory Board: Mark Gotto, Homestead Farm II rep.
- The OSAB is in full budget mode with all partner requests. They're prioritizing & categorizing the lists to get to City Council. They're also busy visiting the locations of the requests. They'll present their priority list to CenCON in Aug.
  - There is \$6.8M in 2013 budget for all proposals.
  - Cummins: criteria to prioritize? Population (most use), connecting links, visibility & support, funding partnerships, is it ready to go
  - A question was asked about what the revenue was per year? WReed helped answer: GOCO=\$5M, ArapCo Open Space \$\$=\$1.8M
  - Cummins: Where does the maintenance for Center Park come from? WReed: It comes through GOCO funds.
  - Livingston: Are we allocating money to the property the City annexed by the Justice Center? WReed: Yes, Gary Wilson will be kicking off a visioning project for that new park. He got a grant from ArapCo Open Space for that.

## H. City of Centennial

- [www.centennialcolorado.com](http://www.centennialcolorado.com)
- Ron Weidmann was the only elected official present.
- The city is into road rehabilitation season. The Council added \$2M to the program from excess revenues. 36,000 tons of hot mix will be used this summer.
- Center Park is doing better than we thought. Ron talks to people in the park and it seems like less than 50% are from out of the City. A new parking lot coming up just east of the park.
- Revenues in the City are up 19.5% over budgeted.
- Doerr: What about the Waco-Himalaya stretch of Arapahoe Rd. RW: The City is still working on that, looking at a model that could be feasible and less expensive.
- Cummins: What will you do with the extra money? RW: The new parking lot is \$400,000. The Council is very conservative on spending, but roads are seeing some of it. There's a lot of regionalism going on. The City is also part of a coalition to figure out how to deal with the gridlock on C470, west of I-25.

## III. Temporary Signs in Residential Areas: Tamra Gregory, Code Compliance Manager

- After a brief presentation, Gregory distributed 3 case studies to show how signs in the right-of-way works. Very interesting exercise for the members present.

## IV. HOA Forum: Where CenCON members can share questions and problems

- A question was asked about the feedback on chickens in the City? Bain: The City hasn't figured out if there'll be a permitting process. There needs to be some sort of informational push once it's decided. Neighborhood associations should be notified where a property is that's getting a permit. WReed: The City is trying to create a code for the entire city, we need some type of base regulation. Council is very reluctant to get in anyone's backyard. We're creating a code for real world problems.
- Doerr: Can code compliance go in a backyard? WReed: Only with solid proof that there's a violation.

## V. CenCON Business

### A. President's report, Gerry Cummins:

- Cummins passed around a sign-up sheet for the Picnic in the Park on 7/23. Your HOA Board members & their immediate families are invited. Everyone **must** RSVP by 7/16.
- There will be some community meetings to discuss alternates for bike lanes in very specific areas:
  - Telluride from Smoky Hill Rd. south to Orchard.: Tues., 10 July, 7-8:30 pm, Trails West Elementary.
  - Otero/Adams between Dry Creek Rd. & University Blvd.: Wed., 11 July, 6-7:30 pm, South Metro Chamber.
  - If you're affected, please let your neighborhood know.
- Sanctuary on the Park has a person who deals with insurance on storm claims, would we want a presentation. There was no interest.

### B. Secretary, Andrea Suhaka

- A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to approve the minutes as emailed. (Doerr/Green)

