

# **Centennial Council of Neighborhoods - July 05 Minutes**

Meeting was called to order at 6:45 p.m. and was adjourned at 9:05 p.m. with a total of 17 members present

# **Arapahoe Library District - Eloise May**

- Annual used book sale with be held on September 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> (9 am to 5 pm), and 11<sup>th</sup> (1 to 4 pm) at the Koelbel Library. Preview party for "Friends of the Library" is Thursday, September 8<sup>th</sup> (6:30 to 8 pm). Call 303-798-3021 for information
- The Princeton Review will have a free practice SAT exam for high school students at Koelbel Library on Friday, August 12<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 am to 1:45 pm
- To celebrate Centennial's 5<sup>th</sup> birthday, the City, Arapahoe Library District, and the Arapahoe Library Friends Foundation is conducting a "Capture Centennial" Photo and Poetry Contests. Get a copy of the contest requirements, entry form, and judging criteria at any library, or from the District's web site, <a href="https://www.arapahoelibraries.org">www.arapahoelibraries.org</a>. Deadline for both contests is Friday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> at 5 pm. Awards made on September 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7 pm at Koelbel Library
- Frank Traditi will make a presentation at Koelbel Library on Tuesday, August 23 from 7 to 9 pm on strategies to maximize the success of a career search
- All libraries will be closed on Monday, September 5<sup>th</sup> for Labor Day

### South Suburban Parks & Recreation - Jean Flynn

- Western Welcome Week starts on Thursday, August 11<sup>th</sup> and continues until August 21<sup>st</sup>. More information and a schedule of events can be obtained at www.westernwelcomeweek.com
- Construction to upgrade playgrounds at Medema Park starts next week, Palos Verdes will start in late August, and Walnut Hills by the 1<sup>st</sup> of October. LaQuinta has been postponed until spring of 2006
- Public input opportunities for the 2006 budget will be on Wednesdays, August 10<sup>th</sup>, September 14<sup>th</sup>, and October 12<sup>th</sup> meetings at Goodson Recreation Center, starting at 7:30 pm. Proposed user fees and charges will be specifically sought at the October 12<sup>th</sup> meeting Call 303-798-5131 or go to <a href="www.sspr.org">www.sspr.org</a> for more information. Input can also be sent via email or USPS

# **Arapahoe Parks & Recreation - Rebecca Nash**

 Problem with beavers causing flooding in a park area have been solved because beavers have moved upstream, and the dams have been broken up and the park area has been drained

- Construction work has started on Hollow Park (Tower Road and Orchard), and also on Willow Trace Park (Himalaya and Reservoir)
- Boy Scout Eagle project has constructed 3 owl nest platforms, 3 bat houses, and a tern box in Hollow Park
- Gravel trails in back of the Recreation Center (Orchard and Buckley) were washed out by drainage runoff. Have been replaced with concrete. Skate Park near the Recreation Center has been very successful, but is suffering with a severe problem of graffiti
- Solar lighting will be installed in the shelter at Willow Trace Park

# **Arapahoe County Sheriff - Mark Fisher**

- Sheriff's deputies arrested 4 suspects in an ID fraud ring in Heritage Greens neighborhood. They had stolen 486 pieces of mail from mailboxes and were using the information to create false credit cards, driver's licenses, etc. Initial call to sheriff was made by citizen because of suspicious a vehicle in the neighborhood at 3 am. Postal Inspectors were looking for these suspects for a long time
- A criminal intent, first degree murder arrest made of suspect who was pouring
  gasoline in sewers in the neighborhood where his ex-girlfriend lived. The plan
  was to blow up the entire neighborhood. Arapahoe Sheriff's and Littleton Fire
  worked together for about 8 hours to decontaminate the area. A successful joint
  command center was set up and 18 to 20 homes were evacuated. Suspect had
  doused himself with gasoline and planned to be a human bomb by driving into
  the house and igniting all the gasoline

#### **Littleton Fire District - John Mullin**

- Cunningham Fire is accepting bids for construction of the new fire station and is purchasing a new command vehicle and a medical unit
- Fire-Rescue International Conference will be held in Denver on August 11 to 13<sup>th</sup> at the Convention Center
- Littleton, South Metro, and Parker sent about 35 firefighters to the recent large wildfire in southern Colorado. They were there for 2 weeks
- Littleton and South Metro are cooperating on a new multi-agency communications center (combined dispatch center)

# **City of Centennial - Nancy Reubert**

- The City has hired a new web master for the City's web site, starting on August 1st
- The first 2 City code violation summons have been scheduled for the Municipal Court

#### City of Centennial - Tex Elam

 Public hearings will be held concerning Arapahoe and Dry Creek Call-n-Rides, additional service for bus route 77, and direct weekend service to Denver on the I-25 Corridor Line light rail. Centennial citizens are encouraged to attend and voice their opinions on these subjects. Nearby meetings will be at Smoky Hill Library on Tuesday, August 23 at 7 pm, at Castlewood Library on Tuesday, August 30 at 7 pm, and Lone Tree Recreation Center on Tuesday, September 13 at 7 pm

# **Sexually Oriented Business Ordinance - City Attorney - Robert Widner**

- Federal law requires the City to provide the opportunity for sexually oriented businesses to operate within the City
- City can require reasonable restrictions/regulations concerning the time/use/manner of these types of businesses
- Centennial's regulations are based on previously court tested rules used in other metro area cities
- The regulations will control the "secondary effects" (unlawful sexual activity, transmission of sexual diseases, reduction of surrounding property values) usually associated with these businesses
- Location will be constrained to an area of I-25 on the west, south Havana St on the east, Geddes Ave on the south, and the northern limits of the City. This area provides 9 possibilities for the businesses. Some of these 9 properties already have developments on them, but could be redeveloped
- Business cannot be within 1000 feet of a school, a park, a residential property, or another such business
- There are also restrictions on minimum interior lighting, separation of patrons from entertainers, observation of the entire interior area by management personnel (no private rooms), outside signage, merchandise for sale or entertainment cannot be visible from the windows, etc.
- This is an emergency ordinance, which would go into effect immediately upon approval by City Council

# CenCON Reports - President - Cathy Noon

- CenCON is trying to arrange to have a SB-100 seminar with the Orten & Hindman Law firm. This would probably happen in September. We need a volunteer(s) to help organize this seminar
- CenCON members Gerry Cummins, Rhonda Livingston, Doug Milliken, Cathy Noon, and Ron Weidmann are candidates for positions at the City of Centennial

## - Treasurer - Gerry Cummins

Checking Previous Balance:	\$ 361.67	Savings Previous Balance:	\$4461.19
Income:	\$ 150.00	Income (Dues):	\$ 0.00
Expenses:	-\$ 79.40	(Interest):	\$ 1.57
Closing Balance:	\$ 432.27	Closing Balance:	\$4462.76

### - Secretary - Frank Green

 Moved by Ron Weidmann and seconded by Lynn Leader that the June 2005 minutes be approved as written. Approval was unanimous

# - Plans - Jim Levy

- Ms. Andrea Suhaka, Mr. Todd Miller, & Ms. Nancy Reubert left the CenCON meeting and did not participate in any discussion of the developer plans or comments
- Copies of all the discussed developer plan comments will be e'mailed to CenCON members

# - Membership - Michael Kirrane

• Nine HOAs still have not paid their 2005/2006 dues

Next CenCON meeting is August 22, 2005 at the Library Administration Building, at 6:45 PM

CenCON Web Site: www.cencon.net