



## CENTENNIAL COUNCIL OF NEIGHBORHOODS

12855 E. Adam Aircraft Circle

October 27, 2014

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### Minutes

- I. Call to Order: President Gerry Cummins called the meeting to order at 6:50pm.
  - Attendance: Regular members (17 members constitutes a quorum): A quorum was **not** present.

Fox Hill #4	Hanover Place	Highlands at Piney Creek
Hunters Hill Condos	Nob Hill/Ridgeview Hills S	Ridgeview Hills North
Smoky Hill	Tiffany	Walnut Hills
  - Guests: Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office, Arapahoe Library Dist., Arapahoe Parks & Rec. Dist., City of Centennial (Mayor Noon), Littleton Fire, South Suburban Parks & Rec. Dist. (Teresa Cope, Brett Collins), 2 visitors
  - **We urge neighborhood newsletter editors to put the highlighted items into neighborhood newsletters/communications.**
  
- II. Guest Comments
  - A. Arapahoe County Sheriff, Capt. Chris George
    - [www.arapahoesherriff.org](http://www.arapahoesherriff.org)
    - A rescue: someone stopped on the median on University, south of Arapahoe Rd., and had a child choking in the car, Deputy Tom Finlay did the heimlich & saved the child. The driver said thank you and left and Dpty. Finlay didn't report the incident. Later there was a voicemail from the mom thanking him so ACSO found out what had happened. (Finlay will get a saving award)
    - In the 5700 block of S Truckee St, a handgun left in an unlocked car was stolen. The robber hasn't been found, yet.
    - At 6370 S Yosemite St. the Wells Fargo was robbed.
    - 7374 S Clinton, at the Comfort Suites, a drunk man was cleaning his gun & it discharged through the wall. Luckily that man wasn't in the room.
    - In the 6300 block of E Easter, car vs. house, the driver of a speeding car ran off the road and hit a house.
    - In the 5700 block of S ??, car vs. bicycle, a car making a turn. hit a student on a bike
    - In the 18300 block of E Progress Dr., a drunk driver hit a tree and a fence (DUI).
    - In the 6500 block of S University, There was a DUI accident. Somehow the roll-over car ended up lodged 8' up in a tree.
    - In the 4200 block of E Maplewood, a person was trying to move into a place that the owner didn't want him to be in. The mover fought with the deputy and got tased.
    - 10/25: In the 7500 block of E Easter, another drunk was cleaning a gun and it discharged.
    - 10/26: At the Home Towne Suites in Sheridan, a man suspected of stealing a Ft. Collins cop's rifle was arrested while packing his car to leave town.
    - **Don't leave valuables in your car, lock your car!!**
    - Maurer: In my area kids are breaking into cars by breaking the windows, doesn't the car alarm go off? George: Yes, it doesn't bother them.

B. Arapahoe Library District, Holly Whelan (manager of Smoky Hill, May, and the jail libraries, & librarians)

- [www.arapahoelibraries.org/](http://www.arapahoelibraries.org/)
- Meet the Author: On 11/6, ALD is presenting author Christina Baker Kline at the Smoky Hill Lib. Kline will speak from 6:30-7:pm and sign her books from 7:30-8:30pm. The Tattered Cover will be selling her books there, as well. *Kline is a novelist, nonfiction writer and editor. In addition to the New York Times bestselling Orphan Train, her novels include [Bird in Hand](#), The Way Life Should Be, Desire Lines and Sweet Water.*
- On 10/31, Castlewood will be closed for installation of a solar panel and an LED lighting retrofit. The panel will generate approximately 91,000 KW of energy per year, which will support the library's electrical supply. The lighting retrofit will reduce current lighting energy usage by nearly 50,000 KW per year. The combined savings from the solar panels and LED lighting will save the library more than \$12,000 in energy costs per year.
- Texts from library? Shoutbomb let's you know about items coming due or that a reserved book is in.
  - First send a text message with the keyword TEST to Arapahoe@shoutbom.-com. You should receive a short reply message saying "Test Successful" if your phone is capable of this service.
  - Then, text the following: SIGNUP+yourlibrarycardnumber (enter your actual library card number without spaces where it says yourlibrarycardnumber).
  - After you sign up, you will receive a message confirming your request. Another message will ask you to provide your email, which is optional. If you don't want to provide your email, reply with NONE.
  - You are now signed up for text message alerts.
- The Arapahoe Library District offers access via its website to BookFlix, an online literacy resource that pairs classic video storybooks with nonfiction eBooks to build a love of reading and learning. BookFlix reinforces early reading skills and introduces children to a world of knowledge and exploration.
- ALD is getting a comic book database. Spiderman, the X-men and other super-heroes from Marvel Comics are available to read through your browser. An eBook version of the classic Marvel Comics is available online via ABDO, an online Marvel Comics database. Marvel Comics entice readers with the latest reading technologies using the most popular characters in the world.
- Younger children will enjoy TumbleBooks, which is an online collection of animated, talking picture books that teach young children the joys of reading in a format kids love.
- 2014 Holiday Drive: A Clean Start
  - All ALD libraries will be participating in a holiday drive from Nov 1-30. You may drop off personal care items in the collection box at your library and we'll deliver them to Inter-Faith Community Services.
  - Items needed include hygiene products: shampoo, bath soaps, razors, combs, washcloths; laundry and dish detergents. Travel sizes and larger sizes are accepted. Inter-Faith Community Services provides basic human services and enrichment programs to low-income people using community resources.
- Doerr: Can you download a book onto a phone? Whelan: Yes, book a librarian will gladly give you a one-on-one class.
- We're expecting some exciting things to happen in the new year!

C. Arapahoe Park & Rec District, DeLos Searle, Asst. District Manager

- [www.aprd.org](http://www.aprd.org).
- APRD has a Nov. pass special, buy 40 punches and you'll get 5 free.
- The Holiday Pass Special is good 11/15-1/16 (the whole time) In District: \$60 Out of District. \$80.
- Drop and Shop: On 11/28 (Black Friday), you can drop your kids at Trails Rec. Center and we'll watch them while you go & shop (or anything else). 2 time periods are offered: 8-11am or Noon-3pm
- 11/20 is the Trails Rec. Center's 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. There will be entry specials, give-aways and more, watch the website.
- Pavilions will be winterized this coming week
- APRD is starting up a Friends of the Park District organization. Contact Delos for information: [delossea@aprd.org](mailto:delossea@aprd.org) or (303) 269-8412.

D. Fire Districts: Littleton Fire, Jeff Tasker, Training Div. Chief

- [www.cfpd.org](http://www.cfpd.org), [www.littletongov.org/fire](http://www.littletongov.org/fire), [www.southmetro.org](http://www.southmetro.org)
- Cunningham: CFPD is holding to 2007 expenditures for its 2015 budget.
- Littleton, South Metro, Evergreen and West Metro fire districts are forming a system that puts all districts together, so everyone knows where every piece of equipment is.
- South Metro:
  - SM had an open house for Explorer Scouts interested in being in a fire service.
  - The Training Bureau held its 5<sup>th</sup> annual learning symposium.
  - They are doing active shooter drills monthly.
  - There was a Change of Command Ceremony where Chief Qualman turned over command of the District to Bob Baker.
- Littleton:
  - They've received and tested a new engine.
  - 6 firefighters just started in Academy.
  - They've started an intern program (high school student) that helps in office.
  - Quick Car Program. will be full time starting in Jan. It responds to low level alarms.
  - They're starting a medical car program next week for medium medical alarms.
  - Quiet this month, but we're starting into the holiday season. **If a smoke detector is over 10 years old, it needs to be replaced.**

E. South Suburban Park & Rec District, Teresa Cope, Communications Director & Brett Collins, SSPRD planner

- [www.SSPR.org](http://www.SSPR.org)
- Brett Collins:
  - I've been asked how projects are prioritized. At budget meetings we invite public to come in and propose projects. Dept. directors also make suggestions. We consider safety concerns that must be addressed. We also look at need (roof leaking, boiler going out). We look at how we might leverage money with Centennial (Centennial Link Trail, Willow Creek Trail & Playground, Aurora Waterline Trail [Highlands 460], new trail at Palos Verdes Park, etc.) We consider projects with a short payback time (ball machine breaking down, but it's a money maker). Then we have to prioritize and look at the available dollars.
- Cummins: What about irrigation systems? Collins: We leveraged money on 2 parks in Centennial.

- Maurer: What is 4C, what if it doesn't pass, then what? Collins: We won't be doing some projects, we'll look at staffing, some projects won't get done as quickly. We probably won't close a rec. center, but possibly down the line.
- Cummins: Highline Canal Working Group, where are there in terms of recommendations? Collins: They're going to be doing a presentation to the whole committee on some proposals for items; partnering with the City to get them done. The Working Group needs to approve them and then your Open Space Board.
- Cummins: Will there be water in the Highline Canal? Collins: Urban Drainage & Flood Control Dist. is working with Denver Water to collect storm water (legally, can only hold it for 72 hrs. in dams), then will do a test in Denver.
- Cope:
  - Golf Fall Flash Deals on our Facebook page. Want exclusive flash deals for our golf courses, like & follow South Suburban Golf on Facebook.
  - Happy Hour: for every 5 "Happy Hour" drop-in fitness classes (Mon.-Fri. after 4pm and weekends) you attend, enter to win a prize, i.e., facial, gift basket. Get your Happy Hour Fitness Tracker at all rec. centers.
  - Spring Lacrosse registration started Mon., 3 Nov. for children 8-15.
  - SSPRD Finance Dept. earned the Cert. of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the 13th year for its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

#### F. City of Centennial

- [www.centennialco.gov](http://www.centennialco.gov)
- Mayor Noon:
  - Dist. 1 & 2 had a Marathon presentation tonight at their Dist. meeting.
  - The 3rd Annual Holiday Tree Lighting will be on 11/22. See flyer linked in the email.
- Applications for Centennial 101 will be taken starting 3 Dec. (?). Watch the website.
- The City had its budget hearing on 3 Nov.
- The website will have new plowing maps. There will now be 15 trucks on the street. it should be done faster.
- The City is beginning its final general Land Development Code rezoning for commercial properties in the City.

#### G. Centennial Youth Commission, Davis Livingston: The Commission is working to get our tobacco ordinance amended to include e-Cigarettes. They are currently have a food drive at the City building through 11 Nov. They will be starting up a teen court in the new year.

- Allen: Tell me about the Youth Commission? Davis Livingston: We meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thurs. of the month; 10-12 members representing all districts. Youth in 7th - 12th grades apply to be members and go through a selection process. Last year we had a school supplies drive and worked with the Senior Commission on a Paint-a-thon for a needy senior.

#### III. C-470 Update, Angie Drumm, Local Government Liaison for CDOT

- Drumm couldn't make it, Jerome Estes (CDOT) did the presentation.
- Jerome Estes, CDOT:
  - We explored 3 funding alternatives, express lanes ended up as the preferred alternative.

- The general purpose lanes will remain free, Express lanes toll everyone who uses them, auxiliary lanes will connect certain exits. (Colo. statute says one transponder must work through whole state.)
- There is an interim building project: WB-2 tolled lanes from I-25 – Colorado, 1 to Wadsworth; EB-1 tolled lane from west of Platte River Dr. to I-25. There will be a realignment of substandard curves (within existing right-of-way).
- Why? to give drivers choice, trip reliability, and there will still be the existing free lanes.
- We will prepare/set up for 2 express lanes The whole length.
- There will be targeted neighborhood meetings on noise (Nov/Dec).

V. CenCON Business

A. President's report, Gerry Cummins

- Cummins and Suhaka attended the meeting on the proposed Aurora marijuana pot shop on the northeast corner of Jordan & Arapahoe Rd.

B. First Vice President/Membership, David Schlatter (absent): Not much happening, We are expecting Georgetown Village & the Village at Centennial to join.

C. Secretary, Andrea Suhaka

- The motion to accept the minutes from Aug. was made and seconded in Sept. Due to a lack of quorum it was tabled to a vote today. The vote was unanimous.
- A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes from 22 Sept. (Doerr/Maurer) Due to a lack of a quorum, the motion was tabled for Nov.

D. Treasurer's report, Henry Blum

- Checking Account at Wells Fargo Bank, Smoky Hill Branch:
- Balance forward from 9/22/14 report \$3,089.85
- Income: Dues deposited\* 30.00
- Expenses: None.
- Account balance, 10/27/14 \$3,119.85

\*The Knolls HOA

- A proposed 2015 Budget is linked in this email.

Cathy Noon and Andrea Suhaka left the room for the Plans discussion.

VI. 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Plans, Ed Bain (not present)/Tammy Maurer

- Centennial Civic Center FDP Administrative Amendment: Construction of a 20' X 40' storage garage, located just west of the existing trash enclosure between the Civic Center & Civic Center Park. The project includes the replacement of the existing plastic fencing around the HVAC unit and back-up generator with a sturdier painted corrugated metal screen wall.
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VII. Adjourn: Cummins adjourned the meeting at 8:45 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Andrea Suhaka, Secretary.

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

**Next Scheduled Meeting – November 24, 2014**



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**PLAN REVIEW SUBMITTALS AND COMMENTS**

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