



CENTENNIAL COUNCIL OF NEIGHBORHOODS

Arapahoe Library Service Building

12855 E. Adam Aircraft Cir.

August 27, 2018

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Minutes

1. Call to Order: President Cummins called the meeting to order at 6:48pm.
 - Attendance: (There was a quorum.)

Algonquin Acres (2)	Cherry Knolls	Hanover Place (2)
Heritage Place (2)	Hunters Hill Condos	Greenwood South
The Knolls	Nob Hill/Ridgeview Hills	S. Orchard Valley
Palos Verdes	Ridgeview Hills North	Tiffany
Valley Club Acres	Village @ Centennial	Walnut Hills
Willow Creek 1	Willow Creek 1	
 - Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office; Arapahoe Library Dist.; City of Centennial: Council Members Tammy Maurer (2) & Mike Sutherland (3), Derek Holcomb; South Metro Fire Rescue
 - **Highlighted areas below are good information for neighborhood newsletters.**

2. Guest Comments
 - A. [Arapahoe County Sheriff](#), Capt. Kenneth McKlem
 - The Captain will be our ACSO guest for the future.
 - On 8/15, at Potomac & Arapahoe, a deputy found a man running around claiming he was being shot at. They caught him and calmed him down. He was high.
 - At Jordan & Otero, a car was found that had been stolen in Englewood.
 - **THEFT FROM MOTOR VEHICLES! Lock the doors, take out the valuables!! Generally it's someone from the neighborhood walking along trying doors until s/he finds one open. This is mostly a crime of opportunity, don't give them the chance.**
 - Doerr: Where do the most crashes happen? McKlem: On I-25; on University, from Orchard to County Line; along Arapahoe, from Boston to Jordan.
 - **School's in session, ACSO is taking part in Project Safe Start, doing extra patrols in school zones. The fastest we clocked someone going in a zone was 23 mph over the speed limit.** End of next week we'll release stats. Fines are double in school zones.
 - B. [Arapahoe Library District](#), Talia Abdullah
 - **The Koelbel Used Book Sale is happening Sept. 6-9.**
 - Shop bargains at our biggest used book sale of the year, featuring more than 40,000 gently-loved books, media and collectibles for all ages.
 - Sunday is bag day – we provide the bag and you fill it for just \$7.
 - Through book sales, the Friends of Arapahoe Libraries raise funds to support library programs and services.
 - **Meet Local Author and Former First Lady of Colorado Helen Thorpe**
 - View the world through the eyes of teen immigrants. The award-winning journalist and former First Lady of Colorado will introduce you to her powerful book, *The Newcomers: Finding Refuge, Friendship, and Hope in an American Classroom* on Mon., Sept. 10, 7 pm at Koelbel Library.

- Her narrative non-fiction follows the lives of 22 teen immigrants – many arriving directly from refugee camps – and their first year in America at Denver's South High School. They land in a beginner-level English language class and collectively, the students represent the microcosm of the global refugee crisis.
 - Thorpe will sign her books after the presentation. To save your spot, visit the website.
 - **Meet Author Laurie Halse Anderson**
 - Spend an afternoon with award-winning and *New York Times* best-selling author Laurie Halse Anderson, who will share about her popular young adult fiction, including her groundbreaking debut novel [Speak](#), on Sat., Sept. 29, at 2 pm at Smoky Hill Library.
 - Recently re-released as a graphic novel, *Speak* authentically captures the emotional journey of an isolated teen as she navigates high school life.
 - Anderson will share about her writing process and what drives her, as she often tackles tough topics with humor and sensitivity. The afternoon features a book signing and light refreshments.
 - There was a request for info on the libraries' Maker Spaces.
 - Razor: Do you need to make a reservation to use the Maker Spaces? Abdullah: I'll have to let you know.
 - Cummins: What general trends are you seeing in the library? Abdullah: There are more request for materials in foreign languages. We've added a new streaming service: Canopy, for movies.
 - Jewell: How is the lack of fines working? Abdullah: It seems to working OK. Non-returned items seems to be around 1%. If you report a book lost, you'll still have to pay for it.
- C. [Arapahoe Park & Rec District](#), Delos Searle, Asst. District Manager (absent)
- D. Fire Districts, South Metro Asst. Chief Jerry Rhodes
[Cunningham Fire](#), [Littleton Fire](#), [South Metro Fire](#)
- A new SMFR Recruit Academy has started with 24 recruits. **We need more women fire fighters. We'll be running 2 academies per year for next 2-3 years. There are lots of openings.**
 - Our dog rescue last week has made Luna nationally famous! If we have to dismantle anything in the process of a rescue, we do it very carefully so it can go back together.
 - We also had a horse rescue, as well.
 - **We held 8 children's academies this summer for jr. high/HS children, 20 kids per session. One academy was just for high school girls. (We hope some of them will want to become fire fighters.)**
 - We held a SMFR & ACSO Citizen Academies' meeting at our Joint Services Facility. We were outside in the rain and the folks loved seeing all the gear.
 - South Metro teamed with ACSO for the open house this past Sat.
 - **We will not be closed on Labor Day!**
 - **KSeymour: How's the new fire station on Quebec coming? Rhodes: It's moving right along. One bay will be for specialized equipment. There's no opening date, yet, but, it should be in the next few months.**
 - Our crews have returned from CA & OR. We do have crews in western Colorado.
- F. [South Suburban Parks & Rec District](#), Jamie deBartolomeis
- The Fall catalog is out. Some were available at the meeting.

- We've done new branding & have a new logo. This logo is more representative of the diversity of activities and facilities in SSPRD; it's more colorful.
- We're taking public input on a Goodson Rec. Ctr. master plan, 9/5, 10-noon or 4:30-6:30pm.
- SSPRD is building a new recreation complex @ Lorenz Park on County Line Rd. We'll be relocating the disc golf course. There'll be meetings on what the public wants: 9/18 [Tues], 9/20 [Thurs]; check the website. It will have 2 sheets of ice, hoping for a third. It will replace the South Suburban Ice Arena. This won't be a rec. center, no pool, no exercise equipment. Info is on the website. We hope to open it by the end of 2020. It has a \$50M budget.
- Nickless: Is there any information about fixing up the outdoor pools?
deBartolomeis: We're still planning what to do there. We're still working on the aquatics master plan.
- On 9/8: Yappy Hour at Holly Pool. Dogs only in the pool. Also, we'll have a Touch-a-Truck event at the ice arena.
- On 9/22, we're holding free chipping & mulch events partnering with Centennial; they'll be at Eagle Street & the Willow Spring Open Space. No rubbish, just bushes & branches
- We're trying something new having some Free Days: 9/6 at Sheridan Rec. Ctr.; 9/8 at Buck, Goodson, & Lone Tree. You can get your SSPRD ID with proof of address for free on those days at those facilities. There will be some 1 day sales: 20 punches gets 5 fee (Punches never expire).

G. [City of Centennial](#), Tammy Maurer, District 2

- Centennial will have their 3rd Annual Car Show on 9/8 (9am-noon), band & dancing in the park and a Senior Resource Fair until 2pm.
- 9/22 is the annual chalk art contest.
- The Youth Commission applications due by 9/14, 13-18 year olds.

3. Centennial NEXT, Comprehensive Plan Update: Derek Holcomb, Deputy Community Development Director

- The City has just completed an online planning & permitting project with Energov software. It took 2 years. HOAs will now get their referrals through this system. Make sure Centennial has current HOA information! (*They do currently receive the CenCON roster quarterly.*)
- The Comprehensive Plan project, Centennial NEXT, is coming to an end. It will be up for approval by P&Z at their Sept. 26 meeting. City Council should ratify that approval in Oct. (www.centennialco.gov/centennialnext)
 - We've done 2 years of public outreach, touching close to 5,000 people.
 - It has produced goals & strategies that Council can put into their budget. As items get knocked out, we'll regularly go update the plan.
 - Walsh: How many responses did you get? Derek: 1800 in Phase 1, 600/700 in Phase 2, 1200 more in Phase 3.
 - The document is meant to be vague, suggesting ideas to study. The City Council of the time will make the final decision on which items to carry out.
 - Meakins: Chapter 3 supports more density, this isn't the right time. Derek: We're talking about new residential not existing neighborhoods.

- KSeymour: Are any owner occupied condos/townhomes being built? Derek: Because the State Legislature hasn't yet dealt with construction defect legislation, that format just isn't being built.

4. CenCON Business

A. President's report, Gerry Cummins

- There's a flyer linked below on the HOA Roundtable sponsored by C.A.I. on Sept. 12 at the Centennial Civic Center. Please, have your board members attend. There's a free supper. RSVPs required.

B. 1st Vice President, Membership, Nancy Nickless: no report

C. Secretary, Andrea Suhaka

- A correction to the June minutes: Annette Jewell made the comment at the end of the Sheriff's report in June.
- A motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to approve the June minutes as corrected. (Doerr/KSeymour)

D. Treasurer's report, Debbie Rasor

- For August, Balance forward: \$ 3833.52
- Deposits 0.0
- Interest 0.0
- Expenses: \$ 1295.90
 - C.A.I. dues -125.00
 - Cummins, food for July field trip -455.00
 - Suhaka, bus for July field trip -715.90
- Ending balance \$ 2537.62

5. Plans, Rhonda Livingston, 2nd VP

- Maurer, Sutherland, & Suhaka did not have to leave. There were no Centennial plans to discuss.
- **2018-O-13 update:** This ordinance allows the use of auto dealerships on property of 5 acres or more on E. Arapahoe Rd. between S. Quebec St. & S. Parker Rd. (petition).
 - There are petitions out in the City asking the Council to repeal this ordinance (again!). Check with Rhonda Livingston (ll: 303-690-5544)/Jill Meakins (303-694-1461) for more information,
- Community Meetings
 - 6620 S. Potomac, NE corner of Arapahoe Rd & Potomac, site plan. Applicant proposes to construct a 4-story, approximately 37,088 s.f., 74-unit, age restricted multi-family building on 2.9 acres. It's scheduled for P&Z on Wed., Aug. 22, in the Council Chambers

6. Adjourn: Cummins adjourned the meeting at 8:53pm.

Minutes submitted by Andrea Suhaka, Secretary.

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

Next meeting – September 24, 2018