

CENTENNIAL COUNCIL OF NEIGHBORHOODS

May 23, 2011

MINUTES

- I. Call to Order: Gerry Cummins called the meeting to order at 6:50 pm.
 - Attendance: The following members were present. (15)

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| Arapahoe Highlands | Heritage Place |
| Cherry Knolls | Homestead Farm (2) |
| FoxRidge | Hunters Hill |
| Glenn Oaks | Hunters Hill Condos |
| Greenwood South | Mira Vista |
| Hanover Place | Piney Creek |
| Heritage Greens | Smoky Hill |
| Walnut Hills | |
 - The following guests were present.

Arapahoe Library District, Arapahoe Park & Rec. District, Arapahoe Sheriff's Office, South Metro Fire Rescue, Mayor Cathy Noon, Councilman Keith Gardner, Rhonda Livingston

- II. Guest Comments
 - A. **Arapahoe County Sheriff:** Bruce Williamson <http://www.arapahoesherriff.org>
 - Louis Perea is the new Capt. Of the detention facility and Ben Perrine will be the new Capt. Of Patrol.
 - The ACSO partnered w/students in Smoky Hill HS auto classes to super charge a 2006 Dodge Charger the ACSO has for the "Take it to the Track" program. The ACSO provided a \$5000 grant for parts.
 - The Denver office of the Dept. of Homeland Security, North Central Region lost 38% in budget cutting.
 - On 5/17, at a residential alarm, the ACSO found a marijuana grow operation w/84 plants. The max allowed is 30 plants.
 - The resident of a home In the 6400 block of E. Mineral Pl. returned from a trip (gone 4/17-4/30) to find \$69K of possessions missing. The boyfriend of the 26 yr old daughter was contacted, consented to search & they found lots of the goods. Beware of who you let live in your house!
 - Fulk: There is a serious parking problem at Orchard Care Center. Was parking included in the zoning ordinance for the location? Williamson: No, that wasn't included in the ordinance in the county. The ACSO can't enforce parking on private property.
 - B. **Arapahoe Library District: Eloise** <http://www.arapahoelibraries.org/>
 - Summer reading program, added a baby-toddler level to encourage parents to read to their children.
 - Will run June 4-July 30
 - Babies, toddlers, children and teens (no adult program this year)
 - Kick-off events, 6/4, in Centennial: Koelbel, 10 am – noon; Smoky Hill, 10 am – 1 pm; Southglenn, 4 – 5 pm
 - Online registration begins May 31
 - Reading records available at branches beginning June 4
 - Thank you to the Friends of the Arapahoe Library District for paying for Summer Reading and serving as the main sponsor

- Disney e-books
 - There are more than 700 downloadable & interactive Disney books available.
 - New and classic titles for the whole family
 - Visit the Library District website to access the collection
 - Everyday Book Club
 - Our librarians are participating in Channel 2's "Everyday Book Club", along with librarians from other metro area libraries.
 - Recently discussed *Crooked Letter, Crooked Letter* by Tom Franklin
 - The selection for June is *You Know When the Men are Gone* by Siobhan Fallon
 - Visit the Channel 2 or the Library District website for more information
 - The effect of the limits on Aurora
 - Checkouts by Aurora residents at Smoky Hill went from 42-45,000/month to 10-12,000/month.
 - Good news = more selection for our own taxpayers
 - Bad news = fewer materials getting to people who need them
 - Lack of funding for Aurora libraries has been a no-win for everyone.
- C. **Arapahoe Park & Rec. District:** Delos Searle <http://www.aprd.org>
- Thank goodness for rain!
 - The Lookout Pool on Picadilly opens this weekend
 - The Child Care Discount program is for people who purchase annual passes. They can purchase child care for an entire year (\$50 for first, less for others).
 - The Youth/Teen Mini Triathlon take place on 6/25, 8 am, starting at Lookout Pool. Call 303-269-8410 for more information.
 - The TRAILS 2nd Annual 4.5K Walk/Run will take place on Aug. 14, 8:30 am, beginning at Piney Creek Hollow Park. Register at www.aprd.org, class # 439. Call 303-269-8409 for more information.
- D. **Fire Districts:** Becky O'Guin
<http://www.cfpd.org>, <http://www.littletongov.org/fire>, <http://www.southmetro.org>
- Littleton Fire sponsored the Airlife Memorial Run. Chief Mullin won Oldest Firefighter running.
 - The Mile High Hook & Ladder Fire Muster will be held on June 18 at ACC. It'll include a show of antique fire equipment.
 - The Cunningham Fire EMS open house on 5/14 had 400 people attend.
 - All of the fire districts are on stand-by for Joplin MS.
 - The fire at the Maplewood is listed as an undetermined cause.
 - South Metro preliminary revenue numbers are not down as severely as projected earlier, though property tax will be reduced by \$5.7M (combined ArapCo & DougCo). Property values decreased more than 10%. SMFR has already cut costs in preparation for this.
 - South Metro is on Facebook.
- E. **Cherry Creek Schools:** none <http://cherrycreekschools.org>
- F. **South Suburban Park & Rec. District:** not present
<http://www.SSPR.org>
- Mayor Noon reported that there were 900 runners at Highline Canal Run on 5/14. That's up 100% from last year. There was good attendance at Spring Fling, too. Parking overflowed.
 - Mayor Noon also reported on the Weigh and Win program sponsored by Kaiser Permanente and IncentaHealth. There's a kiosk at Goodson Rec. Center. There's a link from Centennial homepage

G. City of Centennial

<http://www.centennialcolorado.com>

- Keith Gardner announced a District 2 meeting on Thurs. at Koelbel, 7 pm.
- Mayor Noon:
 - The Best of Centennial event celebrates businesses in Centennial. The awards luncheon will be 6 Oct. Anyone can nominate a Centennial business: www.centennialcolorado.com/Forms.aspx?FID=99. There's a searchable database on city website to help you shop local, www.centennialcolorado.com/BusinessDirectoryii.aspx.
 - There's a Civic Center Park update page on City website (www.centennialcolorado.com/index.aspx?nid=845). The topography is done and they're now doing utilities. The City is purchasing the strip of ground between the Park & the office bldg next door including the stream. It includes 2 water taps. This strip will eventually include a trail that leads to Cherry Creek State Park. The park should be completed this year but we're not doing many activities in the park next year, until the turf gets established.
 - There's a new property search database on website. www.centennialcolorado.com/index.aspx?nid=846.
 - Reed: How was the deck workshop? Noon: I don't know, I haven't been to the City to check.
 - There are 2 openings on the Election Commission, applications due 6/10 (www.centennialcolorado.com/DocumentView.aspx?DID=2763)
 - The City is looking for members for the Senior Commission, applications are due by 1 June (www.centennialcolorado.com/DocumentView.aspx?DID=3101) The commission will consist of 9 Cent. residents over age 60, 3 others with expertise in senior issues who don't have to live in City.
 - Upcoming Summer programs include: 6/11, Battle of the Bands, 2 – 7 pm, Centennial Promenade; 2 movie nights (7/8-east & 7/15-west) & Centennial Under the Stars, 8/13.
 - Fulk: Who's the landscaping contractor on the park? Noon: Turner is the general contractor. I don't know if they've subbed the job.
 - 2010 sales tax was up 14%, our first quarter up 20% over 2010 first quarter.

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

- Suhaka bragged about the Walnut Hills' Dumpster Days done very successfully with garbage trucks from Pro Disposal.
- Bain: The city should think about the garbage truck problem (too many providers destroying the city streets) and help coordinate with HOAs to move to one provider per neighborhood, not have the City do trash hauling.
- Noon: Did anyone get a survey call about supporting a bond issue? Cummins responded that her husband did.
- On 6/6 City Council will discuss what to possibly include in a bond issue, what projects, how to pay (partial to a sales tax). Interest rates are low right now.

III. CenCON Business

A. President's report, Gerry Cummins

- She filed CenCON's Annual Report with the Sec. of State.
- She's been talking w/Spiegel about field trip. Some suggestion from the audience: Altitude Sports, SMetro Fire training facility, a wastewater plant.
- She won't be at the June meeting. Ed Bain will preside.
- She passed around some CAI materials.

- B. Secretary, Andrea Suhaka
 - The minutes should say "Minutes", not "Agenda".
 - A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the 25 April meeting as emailed and corrected. (Doerr/Leader)
 - Bain distributed paper copies of the 25 April Plan Comments that weren't emailed. These were accepted unanimously.
 - Kirrane requested that the minutes be emailed earlier. Suhaka will try for the first week of the month.
 - C. Treasurer's report, C.J. Whelan
 - Whelan has not been able to connect with Strickland to make the hand off.
 - There is no report, essentially bank accounts are the same as they were a month ago.
 - D. First Vice President, Membership, Andrea Suhaka
 - We have 39 members. I'm trying to find Holly Creek Condo Assoc., connected with the Vice President at a Planning & Zoning meeting.
- IV. 2nd Vice President, Plans, Ed Bain
- Cathy Noon, Keith Gardner and Andrea Suhaka left the room for the following discussion.
- A. Action Jackson Car Wash, 11 E Panama Drive – Use by Special Review
 - B. Civic Center Park Replat
 - C. Heritage Park amended PDP and Heritage Park FDP
- V. Adjourn: Cummins adjourned the meeting at 9 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Andrea Suhaka.

Next Scheduled Meeting – June 27, 2011