



CENTENNIAL COUNCIL OF NEIGHBORHOODS

12855 E. Adam Aircraft Circle

January 26, 2015

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Minutes

- I. Call to Order: President Gerry Cummins called the meeting to order at 6:45pm.
 - Attendance: Regular members (17 members constitutes a quorum): A quorum was **not** present. ; (

Cherry Knolls	Fox Hill #4	Hanover Place
Highlands 460	Highlands at Piney Creek	Homestead Farm
Hunters Hill Condos	The Knolls	Nob Hill/Ridgeview Hills S
Palos Verdes	Smoky Hill	Tiffany
Walnut Hills	Willow Creek II	

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 - Guests: Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office, Arapahoe Library Dist., Arapahoe Parks & Rec. Dist., City of Centennial (Mayor Noon, Davis Livingston [Youth Comm.]), Littleton Fire, South Suburban Parks & Rec. District, 1 visitor
 - 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
 - With Centennial's help, there are 3 new School Resource Officers (6 total SROs), 2 K-9 units (that are in 12 weeks of training). ACSO added a 2nd SRO in Eaglecrest & Arapahoe high schools; 2 dedicated to elementary schools + 2 community resource officers that can help out (65 schools), 1 for every middle school. Internet Crimes Against Children Unit will have 3 dedicated deputies.
 - ACSO had an executive retreat to plan out the next 4 years under a new sheriff.
 - We're preparing for the traffic problems as the Arapahoe Rd. widening progresses.
 - The problem of children sexting is getting to younger & younger children (grade 5 now).
 - We finally got an oversized mobile home in Estancia to move.
 - In Piney Creek, we busted a rental home that was selling drugs & 2 strippers. **If you see or hear anything unusual, please, call 720-874-TIPS, anonymous tip line.** We raided the house from a tip (heroin, meth, coke, & money)
 - We will do a SWAT demo on occasion (and those present agreed that they'd like to see that). Maybe we can schedule it for our July "picnic".
 - 5131 S Richfield is a known drug house that has been raided twice; they keep dealing so we'll keep raiding.
 - An 18-yr.-old inmate punched out a ceiling tile in a holding cell in the jail and got up into the ceiling. There was nowhere he could go. We chased him down in a couple of hours.
 - Internet Crimes: at 6200 E Geddes we set up a sting. Officer pretended to be a 14-yr.-old girl & the man came to the house and was arrested.
 - Pretty much everyone heard about the plane crash at 6600 S Billings Wy., in Algonquin Acres.
 - At Holly & Otero there was a car vs. motorcycle accident. There was serious injury to cyclist. It's an ongoing investigation.
 - At 6195 S Forest Ct, on 12/7, there was a burglary with guns stolen.
 - There followed a long, interesting discussion on flash-bangs, how they're supposed to be used, and the effects on adults.

B. Arapahoe Library District, Daisy Grice, Manager of Community Libraries

- www.arapahoelibraries.org/
- The libraries got very few paper IRS forms this year (cost cutting by IRS) and no instruction books. Librarians will assist with locating what a patron needs on the IRS website & print them, but not instructions, they're too long.
- As in years past, ALD is partnering with AARP for income tax help, check website under Programs. Appointments fill quickly!
- Castlewood Library will be debuting a new Makerspace featuring a laser cutter, and many smaller equipment offerings to support crafting and coding. It's scheduled to open by March 2015.
- Koelbel will have the most meeting room space, medium-sized spaces are being added. The Café will be opening in a few weeks. The children's area is under construction now & first floor bathrooms.
- Families are invited to hear children's author Pat Long present her book, *The Stitches Fairy*, on Thurs., Feb. 12, 4pm, at Castlewood Library, and again on Wed., Feb. 18, 4pm, at Southglenn Library. "Claire dreads getting her stitches taken out until her father tells her about the Stitches Fairy." The author will bring along a delightful "trunk show" based on her book.
- During Jan., teens ages 13-17 were invited to create an original film between 30-90 sec. using the theme: "Unmasked," for consideration as a best picture for the Teen Movie contest. On Sat., Feb. 21, from 4-7pm, at Smoky Hill Library, teens will dress in their formal attire and hit the red carpet to find out the winners at the Teen Movie Awards. Winners will receive a "Loot Crate" of fun prizes and a commemorative trophy.
- Schlatter: What's the big picture, the budget, how does it all work? Grice: Mill levy is now 12 years old. Capital fund reserve is being spent down. Cummins: This could be a possible future presentation.

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

- www.aprd.org
- The Piney Creek trailhead (Orchard & Parker) project is done & in its warranty time period. (This project was completed with help from Centennial & SEMSWA.)
- APRD is remulching all the playgrounds.
- New flooring is being installed in the Trails Rec. Center with Centennial \$\$ help.
- APRD is having a Valentine's special: 10% discount off the purchase of 3 or more Buddy Training Sessions. See coupon on APRD website.
- Suhaka: Any more problems in the skate park? Searle: 3 yrs. ago there was a core of kids damaging parks (graffiti) all over. There hasn't been a problem since then. It seems to be a cyclical problem.

D. Fire Districts: Littleton Fire, Chief Ruoff, Operations Div. Chief

- www.cfpd.org, www.littletongov.org/fire, www.southmetro.org
- Jefferson County/Arapahoe County consolidated CAD system is being fine tuned. It brings better routing of 911 calls for faster response. (23 cities are under it.)
- South Metro:
 - 3 ladder trucks had been recalled. 2 are back and the other back soon.
 - A Citizens Academy starts 4/15, it will be held on Wednesdays. Applications are on their website.
- Cunningham: working with South Metro
- Colorado Center of Excellence for Aerial Fire Fighting Technologies
- Littleton Fire:
 - 4 are graduating from the fire academy, & some new paramedics are getting trained.
 - LFPD has a new asst. fire marshall, hired from Cunningham Fire.
 - A new engine & a new medic unit will arrive in Feb. A new ladder is coming in March.
 - Littleton Fire, Highlands Ranch, & the City of Littleton had a study session for new vision & goals with the new fire chief.
 - Quick car will respond to medical calls with paramedics that may not require transport. A Care Car has a PA who can stitch & prescribe medications.

E. South Suburban Park & Rec District, Teresa Cope, Communications Director

- www.SSPR.org
- A new look/feel to the website, more graphic, will be launching Fri. morning.
- Tantalizing Tastes, Lone Tree Golf Club, \$36/person, reservations required (Info call: 303-790-0202). First one will be 10 Feb., 6-8pm; then following ones on 14 April, 9 June, 11 Aug., 13 Oct., 8 Dec. Feb. is a Valentine's food & wine dinner: 5 wines paired with 5 food dishes.
- 2/27, Buck Rec. Center, Country Music Project concert doing a concert, 7-9pm.
- Commit to Get Fit at Goodson Rec. Center: Tues. & Thurs., 6-7am, Feb. & Mar. 3-26, with a professional trainer. There will be pre & post assessments. For info: fitness@sspr.org.
- Non School Day (when school isn't in session, e.g., Martin Luther King Day) licensed day camps, 7am - 6pm at Goodson, Lone Tree, Family Sports Center. For info contact: (Goodson/Lone Tree) maryk@sspr.org or 303-708-3518; or (Family Sports Center) christinai@sspr.org or 303-754-0552.
- There are free equipment orientations: Goodson (2/13, 9-10:15am), Lone Tree (2/14-10:15am), and Buck (2/10, 9-10:15am or 2919, 6:30-7:45pm).
- Allen: I have a concern about unleashed dogs sitting outside Goodson. Cope: I don't know but will find out & get back to you.

F. City of Centennial

- www.centennialcolorado.com
- Davis Livingston, Youth Commissioner:
 - Youth Achievement Awards for youth in grades 8-12, deadline, Feb. 16. See the Centennial website.
 - They're wrapping up their school supply drive for low income kids.
 - Teen Court is in process, so far no cases.
 - Noon:
 - Liquor Licensing Auth. is asking for applications. The deadline is 2/13 for applying.
 - The City has won a Bloomberg Innovation Grant. We apply for mobility & transportation. Dave Zelenok is the City's Chief Innovation Officer and will be in charge of it. It's for 3 years, \$1.5M.
 - There will be lots of events in the summer for the park, e.g., Octoberfest, Chili Cook-off, Farmers/Artisans Market.
 - Xcel will be removing over 200 trees along Dry Creek Rd. between Holly & Quebec, starting 2/10. They've contracted with Wright Tree Service. Home-owners backing onto Dry Creek should receive a mailing from Xcel.
 - Hastings: I heard there was a Median subcommittee of Council? Noon: That committee is researching who owns & takes care of what. It should report out to City Council in March.
 - Cummins: Whatever happened with oversized garages? Noon: Council acted last week. You can find the Staff Report on line under Centennial Government > Mayor & Council > Agenda & Minutes, the meeting of 1/20.

III. Relay for Life, American Cancer Society, Therese Buccio

- This year's Relay for Life will be held on 6/19 in Centennial Center Park. It's an event where teams walk around the park for 24 hrs. to raise funds for the American Cancer Soc.
- Please, get involved: form teams, participate. Join the Planning Comm.
- 93% of money raised goes back into the community.
- Contact Theresa if you can help: therese.buccio@cancer.org.

- IV. Code Compliance, Tamara Gregory, Code Compliance Manager
- Code Compliance is partnering w/SSPRD & APRD for some events, e.g., Christmas tree recycling.
 - 77% of our cases were complaint based.
 - 1245 violations got cleaned up in the City. The average time to close a case is a little over 30 days.
 - 3171 signs were pulled from the rights-of-way.
 - The most common infractions are: right-of-way obstruction, overgrown weeds (over 8"), stockpiling, junk/inoperable vehicles, and temporary signs
 - 73% of cases are closed with voluntary compliance after we make first contact.
 - Code Compliance will be holding a Noxious Weed workshop (partnering w/Dept. of Agriculture) in the spring.
 - We'll also be partnering with SSPRD & APRD for a pruning & chipping event. Residents can bring in all those cut-down overhanging branches. More info is coming.
 - Livingston: How did the sign recycling event go? Gregory: It was quite successful. We're considering have 2 events next year, on east & west sides.
 - Schlatter: Do you have a great story about Code Compliance you can share?
 - Gregory: Not really. There is a possible commercial grow house that is under surveillance by ACSO
 - Blum: What can we do when are weeds too tall on a vacant, rental property? Gregory: We do to find the owner and notify him/her.

V. CenCON Business

A. President's report, Gerry Cummins

- Cummins sent around notices of upcoming P&Z meetings or community meetings.
- It was very quiet over the holidays.
- Cummins wrote letter of support for a grant from ArapCO Open Space for SSPRD.
- Livingston provided some informational materials on the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Cherry Creek Dam safety project.

B. First Vice President/Membership, David Schlatter

- 2 new members: Arapahoe Highlands, Georgetown Village, and Chenango paid ahead for 2015-2016. We now have 55 members.

C. Secretary, Andrea Suhaka

- A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of 24 Nov. (Doerr/Allen) Because we did not have a quorum tonight, the motion was tabled until Feb. 23.

D. Treasurer's report, Henry Blum: \$2495.85, expenditure for Constant Contact

- Blum provided a recap of the 2014 CenCON year. It's linked below.
- Following is the report from 11/24/14-1/26/15.
- Balance forward: \$ 2,495.85
- Income: Dues ¹ 90.00
- Expenses: Constant Contact email site (204.00)
- Account balance (1/26/15) \$ 2,381.85
- Account is held at Wells Fargo Bank, Smoky Hill Branch
- ¹ Arapahoe Highlands, Georgetown Village, Chenango

VI. 2nd Vice President, Plans, Ed Bain/Tammy Maurer

- Cathy Noon and Andrea Suhaka left the room before this item.
- LDC rewrite, commercial rezoning
- Panorama Metropolitan District, Dry Creek Light Rail to be located in the northwest corner of I-25/Dry Creek interchange: The Panorama Metropolitan District is a total of 15.368 acres but this proposal is for only the light rail connection (2.169 acres). This proposal is to improve the access to the light rail station and improve pedestrian movement to the light rail.
 - Add limited vehicular access for kiss-n-ride and RTD call-n-ride shuttle bus,
 - A temporary roadway section to connect the development to Mineral Ave,
 - Panorama Dist., working with the property to the west, to build a stair and ramp connection.
- Plan Comments are linked below.

VII. Adjourn: Cummins adjourned the meeting at 8:48pm