



Centennial Council of Neighborhoods 7 April 03 Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 6:50 p.m. and was adjourned at 9:25 p.m. with a total of 20 members present

Arapahoe Library District – Marlu Burkamp

- Library web site www.arapahoelibraries.org premiering new feature in April – Health and Wellness. Contains list of consumer health sites and also provides a means to ask questions to a "Health & Wellness" librarian. Some parts include an interactive video.
- State of Colorado has cut library funding by 86%. Biggest cut affects all the "regional" systems, which provide courier service between libraries

South Suburban Park & Recreation - Jean Flynn

- SSP&R participating in the "Fight the Bite" program against the West Nile Virus spread by mosquitoes. Visit the web site www.fightthebitecolorado.com or call 303-692-2700 (Mon through Friday, 8am to 5pm) for more information
- Tri County Health will be testing dead birds to determine if the birds are affected
- DEET is a good insect repellent. Concentration of DEET affects the length of time you are protected, but not the level of protection. A concentration of 10% or less DEET can be used for children. Read the label for additional warnings
- Artificial turf on first athletic field at County Line Regional Park anticipated to be completed next month
- Lone Tree Recreation Center is progressing. Dirt is being moved already
- "Matching Gifts" program awards will be made Wednesday, 9 April. More money was allocated than was requested

Arapahoe Sheriff's Office - Bruce Williamson

- Preparation for the blizzard began on Monday before snow started. All 4wd vehicles had tire chains, snowshoes, cold weather sleeping bags. Some deputies were using snowmobiles to get through the worst areas
- Emergency Operating center (EOC) was opened at 6:00 am Tuesday morning and was manned 24 hours/day, 7 days/week with 12 hour shifts
- Sheriff's Office provided email updates to City officials on an hourly basis
- Report of suspicious young, mid-eastern male entering Arapahoe High School. Deputies determined that subject was really looking for Arapahoe Community College, and was lost. He recently moved to Colorado and was looking for information about obtaining a GED. Everything was legitimate
- Auto theft has been drastically reduced in the City of Centennial

- Training for the CERT program (Community Emergency Response Team) will start in May
- Neighborhood Watch program has been very successful

South Metro Fire District - Bob Rinne

- Snow caused more than 100 buildings to be damaged in South Metro Fire District
- Fire equipment from Centennial Airport and a Snow Cat were used during snowstorm because of high number of rescue calls and because this specialized equipment could get through the deep snowdrifts. A helicopter was also available for use
- Health One's new hospital expected to open in the Fall of 2003
- Fire Districts working on an Operating Plan for Arapahoe County to provide aid to the counties fighting forest fires
- Fire Districts are preparing plans for combating possible bio-terrorism and the spread of SARS disease
- Fire Districts working to ensure hospitals are in compliance to ensure that all medical records are secure and private
- South Metro has moved into the new administration building
- All of the government entities are working to align regions for Homeland Security. This "total alignment" will allow them to obtain more Federal money for the planning. Currently, different regions exist for the Fire, Sheriff, County, Health, CDOT, etc.

Arapahoe Park & Recreation - Rebecca Nash

- Presented artist's renderings and site plan of the new Recreation Center project at Orchard and Buckley. One concern brought up by members was whether there is enough parking area
- A new park is in the design phase for Piney Creek Hollow, at Tower Road where it crosses of Piney creek. Irrigation will use "re-captured" water, and will thus allow ball fields
- \$50,000.00 has been budgeted for work on the Piney Creek Trail from Tower Road east toward Greenfield, and also from the new Recreation Center west towards Cherry Creek Reservoir
- Ridge Park, in Saddle Rock Ridge, will have no sod installed and should be completed by mid May
- Toll Gate Park, near Timberline Elementary School, will have new playground equipment installed, designed mainly for the 2 to 5 year old children

City of Centennial – Mayor - Randy Pye

- Snow removal by the City will cost approximately \$150,000.00. Part of this cost is overtime and part is renting of contract equipment. City is requesting reimbursement from FEMA for these costs
- At one point during the storm, six snow plows were stuck in the snow
- "Message from the Mayor" about events and activities during the storm on the City's web site, www.centennialcolorado.com

- Jordan Road will close at 6:30 pm on 23 May 2003, at Cherry Creek Park. A construction detour around the culvert work should be in place before the road closure. This is between Belleview and Arapahoe. Work on the culvert should be started in August and be complete in December. An emergency exit can be made to the north through the Park if Jordan Road floods during the construction period
- Information "open house" at Campus Middle School scheduled for 30 April (date is tentative at this point)
- The community gate at Caley will be discussed at a meeting on 29 April at the City Offices
- On 23 April, there will be a meeting of the Fiddlers' Green sound monitoring committee at Arapahoe County
- Centennial probably will get DRCOG's TIP program to include the intersection at Parker and Arapahoe, and the intersection at I-25 and Arapahoe moved from the 2030 plan to the 2025 plan, which means this work will be completed sooner
- The recommendation to appoint three judges to the Municipal Court was approved at the Council Meeting held April 3. Judges are: Grafton Biddle, (Parker) Presiding Judge; Ford Wheatley IV, (Denver) Substitute Judge; and Richard McManus Jr., (Denver) second Substitute Judge

City of Centennial – Council – Ward 3 - Andrea Suhaka

- There will be a 15 member task force working on Centennial's Comprehensive Plan, instead of continuing to use the Arapahoe County 1985 version Comprehensive Plan
- One resident from each City Ward
- Representative from Centennial Airport
- Representatives from the business community
- Representatives from the Planning Commission
- One representative from CenCON. CenCON member Russ Powell volunteered for this position
- Residents should contact their City Council member by 10 April to apply
- Education classes will be held for the members on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 7:00 pm. Actual meetings will probably be held once a month, on the first Tuesday of the month

RTD Presentation - Tex Elam

- RTD has agreed to a new bus route, #66, which will cross the entire City of Centennial. Map of route on CenCON's web site, www.cencon.net
- Starts on 11 May 2003 as per the map. Will run every half hour down Arapahoe Road
- Additional four proposed routes are all east of Parker Road. These depend on the use of route #66 and a better economy

CenCON Reports - President - Cathy Noon

- The meeting about the Marathon Oil development with Centennial residents is Wednesday, 9 April, at 7:00 p.m. in the Kellogg Building, 26 West Dry Creek Circle. For information call Diane RaPue 303-734-9470
- City's new Code of Conduct/Ethics was discussed and the Mayor and City Council members answered questions concerning the Code. Did not require vote of electorate because they are resolutions
- CenCON needs to get more attendance at the meetings. Only about half of the membership regularly attends
- CenCON will provide a new membership roster when all the new information is collected along with the 2003 dues
- Land Use "frequently asked questions" is still in progress
- Need to complete the City of Centennial map, and obtain complete contact information for each neighborhood

Checking account	\$ 557.36	Savings account	\$ 2372.82
Previous balance:		Previous balance:	
Income	\$ 630.00	Income (Dues)	\$ 0.00
Expenses	\$ 566.78	(Interest)	\$ 4.75
Closing Balance	\$ 620.58	Closing Balance	\$ 2377.57

- Secretary - Frank Green

- It was moved by Gerry Cummins and seconded by Ron Weidmann that the March 2003 minutes be approved as modified, correcting an error of transposed digits in the Treasurer's Report for the savings account balance. Approval was unanimous

- Membership - Michael Kirrane

- Letters to possible new "CenCON Association" candidates will be sent shortly

- Plans - Plans Committee

- Two developer plans that were due before the CenCON meeting were discussed. Copies of the comments were distributed to all members
- Two new developer plans were also discussed. One was a referral from Arapahoe County. Copies of the comments will be distributed to all members

CenCON Election

- No members volunteered to run against the incumbents
- Brad Calbert asked that Ron Weidmann replace him as Chair of the Plans Committee
- Vote of approval was unanimous for the 4 existing officers and for the change in Plans Committee Chair
- Officers for April 2003 to March 2004 are:

- Cathy Noon – President
- Michael Kirrane – First Vice President, Membership
- Ron Weidmann – Second Vice President, Plans
- Gerry Cummins – Treasurer
- Frank Green – Secretary