

Centennial Council of Neighborhoods - January 05 Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 6:45 p.m. and was adjourned at 8:55 p.m. with a total of 21 members present

Arapahoe Library District - Eloise May

- Ms. Nicolle Davies is the new Library Communications director
- All libraries will be closed on Monday, February 21, for President's Day
- Arapahoe libraries are participating with about 15 other libraries in the "Colorado Libraries Tsunami Relief Drive - A Fine Idea". All library fines collected during the week ending 30 January will go for aid to the tsunami victims
- "An Evening with Joe Louis", a monologue in character about the life and times of Joe Louis, will be presented at the Smoky Hill Library on February 1 at 7 P.M. Reservations are required. Call 303-693-7449
- The "Begin with Books" program, for children aged 0 to 6, is in need of volunteers. It is an early childhood literacy program. Call Susan Oakes at 303-220-7704, X287 for more information
- Tax forms are available at all district libraries. On Mondays from February 7 to April 11 (except February 21), from 9 A.M. till 3:30 P.M., AARP Tax Assistance will be available with no reservations required at the Koelbel Library. Glendale, Sheridan, Smoky Hill, and Southglenn libraries will also have tax assistance available, but reservations are required. Call the individual libraries for dates and times

South Suburban Parks & Recreation - Jean Flynn

- Annual \$10000.00 Matching Gifts Program has started. Program matches donated dollars with District funds and is available for development and improvement of community parks, trails, facilities, and programs
- Projects must be on District-owned or leased property
- Requests must be submitted by Friday, March 11, 2005. Projects must be complete by December 31, 2005
- Applications can be picked up at South suburban Administrative Office, 6631 S University Blvd
- For more information, call Karen Bay at 303-798-5131

Arapahoe County Sheriff - Mark Fisher

 Sheriff's Office has a new program for sending out emails to the general public, the media, and the business watch program participants, showing pictures of suspects caught on video surveillance cameras

- To create a new account or re-establish an account for email alerts under the new system, go to the County web site, www.co.arapahoe.co.us/Apps/selectAlert/Login.aspx
- Hosted a Regional meeting for the Citizen Corp, which manages the CERT program (CERT training schedules will be sent to all members)
- Arapahoe County is the leader for CERT training in the state of Colorado
- Sheriff's Office is sponsoring a "Crime Free Motel/Hotel" program, which provides motel/hotel managers with information on how to spot guests who are using the motel/hotel for criminal purposes

South Metro Fire District - Bob Rinne Parked Fire & Rescue - Vic Turner

- Parker Fire is moving forward with Homeland Security disaster drills and training for groups from homeowner associations
- Colorado State Emergency Operations Center has moved into the South Metro Fire Rescue building
- South Metro is also working to finalize a building lease with the FBI
- Voters approved a tax mil levy of 9.25, but South Metro will only increase it to 8.95 mils
- The Fire Rescue International convention will be held in Denver in August, and will host fire chiefs from all over the world
- South Metro is proposing three new fire stations, one in the Skyridge Hospital area and one in the Daniel's Gate area
- Engine 34 will be added to the existing station near Park Meadows. Previously, only a ladder truck was at that location
- Fire District does not have as much emphasis on fires anymore because of the changing roles of the Fire Departments (more emphasis on Homeland Security).
 Also, since the schools are doing so much with the young, fire districts are concentrating more on senior citizens and retirement facilities
- Have had no major fires, but have had 2 airplane crashes, and several fatal automobile accidents

City of Centennial - Nancy Reubert

- A Nuisance Ordinance has been passed by the City, which allows for nuisance abatement. Will be effective 30 days after being published
- Code enforcement violations will be added to the Court process by late spring or early summer
- The City will send out 4 newsletters this year, the first one will be on April 1
- Wal-Mart's grand opening in Centennial will be Wednesday, January 26 at 7 A.M.
- Elections for Mayor and for one City Council person in each ward will be November 4, 2005
- The Mayor will hold a Town Meeting every other month, and will also have two
 evenings per month of "Open Office" hours at the City Offices. Citizens can
 discuss any topic. These meetings will be on the first Tuesday, and third
 Thursday of each month from 6 to 8 P.M. The first meeting will be on Thursday,
 February 17. The first Town Meeting is scheduled for the first half of March.
 Dates will be announced

- City's 2005 budget was passed in December, and can be found on the City's web site, www.centennialcolorado.com. Includes ambitious Public Works schedule for roads
- Several water drainage projects are in progress
- Antelope GID has been approved for water main construction in the Antelope neighborhood
- City has received \$1,200,000.00 from Arapahoe County Open Space tax for use to fund parks projects
- New street signs with the City's logo will be installed as signs are replaced
- City's fifth anniversary will be this September. Working to have community efforts to celebrate this event
- Code enforcement officer Joe Brooks is out on medical leave with Susie Ellis filing in for him

City of Centennial - Betty Ann Habig

- No major changes will be made to Arapahoe Road (controlled access, new interchanges, etc.) for at least 10 years
- Proposal for interchange at C-470 and Colorado Blvd. was discussed at the Ward 1 town meeting. Call Bryan Weimer at 720-874-6521 for more information and to receive a copy of the handout
- City Council is discussing possibility of a Liquor Tasting Ordinance
- Will not run for re-election as City Council, but will run for State House Representative for District 37

City of Centennial - Andrea Suhaka

 To email Andrea, do not use the City's email address (it is broken). Instead use her personal email address - standy@ecentral.com

City of Centennial - Todd Miller

 Centennial, Arapahoe County, and South Suburban Parks and Recreation completed the Parks & Recreation study. After the findings are presented to the three agencies, Centennial and Arapahoe County will decide what direction to take. A link to a web site describing the study findings is on the City of Centennial web site

Arapahoe Park & Recreation - Rebecca Nash

- New recreation center, which opened in November, has been a great success
- District is in planning stage for 2005, and will be applying for Arapahoe County Open Space funding

CenCON Reports - President - Cathy Noon

- Arapahoe County is updating the HOA information. Please review the list (will be sent to all members) and update in writing to the County
- The Marathon property has been sold to a developer, and it is anticipated that the development will be residential

- Denver Christian Schools has changed their hearing with the City Council to February 7, 2005 at 7 P.M.
- Senate Bill SB 05-100, if passed, will place restrictions on how a HOA can conduct business. A copy of the proposed bill will be sent to all members. Everyone should read it and send comments to all the representatives listed in the email. The plan was discussed among the members in attendance, and several members favored some of the conditions while others did not agree. All members agreed, however, that it would add financial burdens to the HOAs, and would take local control away from the HOAs
- CenCON will send a generic letter to the legislature, stating that CenCON members had a problem with parts of the HOA Bill
- Moved by Claudette Cooper and seconded by Andrea Suhaka that CenCON dues for 2005 remain at \$30.00. Approval was unanimous

- Treasurer - Gerry Cummins

Checking Previous Balance:	\$457.89	Savings Previous Balance:	\$3633.37
Income:	\$0.00	Income (Dues):	\$0.00
Expenses:	\$135.00	(Interest):	\$1.47
Closing Balance:	\$322.89	Closing Balance:	\$3634.84

- Secretary - Frank Green

 Moved by Ron Weidmann and seconded by Michael Kirrane that the November 2004 minutes be approved as written. Approval was unanimous

- Plans - Ron Weidmann

- Ms. Andrea Suhaka, Mr. Todd Miller, Ms. Betty Ann Habig, & Ms. Nancy Reubert left the CenCON meeting and did not participate in any discussion of the developer plans or comments
- One new developer plan was received. Copies of the detailed comments will be sent to all CenCON members as usual

- Membership - Michael Kirrane

Fairways of South Suburban HOA is the newest member of CenCON. CenCON now has 51 member HOAs