

CENTENNIAL COUNCIL OF NEIGHBORHOODS

Arapahoe Library Services Building 12855 E. Adam Aircraft Cir. November 25, 2019 www.cencon.net

Minutes

- 1. Call to order & CenCON Business: President Cummins called the meeting to order at 6:45 pm.
 - A. Attendance: (There was not a quorum present.)

Algonquin Acres (2) Chaparral (2) Heritage Place (2)

Hunters Hill Condos The Knolls (2) Nob Hill/Ridgeview Hills S Palos Verdes (2) Tiffany Village@Centennial

- **Guests:** Arapahoe Library Dist., City of Centennial Traffic Engineer, South Suburban Parks & Rec. Dist., Cathy Noon, Muller Engineering, RTD
- **Missing member: Please, pay your dues** (Chenango, Hanover Place, Highlands 460, Homestead in the Willows, Saddle Rock Ranches, Smoky Ridge, Sturbridge)
- Highlighted areas below are good information for neighborhood newsletters.
- B. President's report, Gerry Cummins
 - New City Council members will be sworn in at the 6 Jan. Council meeting.
 - We do not have a quorum tonight so, we are unable to vote to approve the minutes
 of the last meeting.
- C. 1st Vice President, Nancy Nickless (absent)
- D. Secretary, Andrea Suhaka (absent)
 - The Arapahoe Library District is not currently looking for new Board members. At the meeting Holly Whelan answered a question on the process and she said the District just got two new Trustees.
 - The link to the Public Art Map for South Suburban went to the old map. Suhaka will
 put the link to the <u>current map</u> in these Nov. minutes or people can go to the SSPR
 website and click on Parks > Parks & Trails > District Maps > Art in the Park Map.
- E. Treasurers' report, Debbie Rasor:

Balance Forward:		\$2,305.70
Deposits:	(Park View Highlands)	30.00
Expenses:	(Constant Contact	204.00)
	(CAI	125.00)
	Subtotal:	329.00
Interest Income:		0.00
Ending Balance:		\$2,006.70

There are 38 paid members. Last year there were 42 paid members.

- F. Plans, Rhonda Livingston, 2nd VP
 - 1. Dec. 3 community meeting at Franklin Elementary School regarding the demolition & rebuild of Ames Elementary School.
 - 2. Members of the audience asked questions regarding the SouthGlenn redevelopment of the Sears & Macy's stores locations. There was a brief discussion regarding this development.
 - a. Pat Benhmida spoke on behalf of the SouthGlenn watch group which is currently about 400 Southglenn community members. She stated that the concerns of the group were:

- The proposed change in height of the buildings
- The ratio of retail space to residential units
- The setbacks and the high rise buildings that create an unwelcoming wall on the south side of the site.
- The SouthGlenn group wants to create a voice to raise concerns regarding the traffic study & other issues, regarding the traffic study issues & concerns. Benhmida asked if CenCON would consider partnering with the South-Glenn group to help be a voice and a conduit for fundraising. Pat also asked if the CenCON Exec. Board would meet with the SouthGlenn group.
- Gerry stated that CenCON cannot be a conduit for fundraising but the Cen-CON board is willing to meet with the SouthGlenn group.
- Cathy Noon stated that CenCON is an advocate for all neighborhoods.
 There was an audience discussion about the city's perception of CenCON and ideas to improve that perception were discussed.

2. Guest Comments

- A. <u>South Metro Fire Rescue</u>, Asst. Chief Jerry Rhodes, Community Services (See link below minutes.)
- B. South Suburban Parks & Rec District, Jamie DeBartolomeis
 - A new winter catalog of programs is coming out.
 - Dec. is a busy month. SSPR is currently doing a coat drive with 9NEWS.
 - There are camps for kids at Goodson Rec. & Family Sports centers.
 - There are currently 2 clinics for kids at Family Sports, 1 Lacrosse camp & a soccer skills camp.
 - There will be a holiday pass sale on Cyber Monday. These passes never expire.
 Details are on the website and in the new catalog.
 - The regional recreation complex is going as planned & has gone vertical. The roof
 on the site is over what will be the turf field. We target an opening date of this new
 building in Dec. 2020. For updates it, visit www.ssprd.org/Recreation-Complex.
 - Don Doerr asked about hikes for seniors. DeBartolomeis mentioned that she brought new brochures about these hikes and the brochures are on the back table.
- C. Arapahoe Library District, Holly Whelan
 - Give the Gift of Books this Holiday Season
 - Shop our selection of holiday, children's and collectible books at the used book sale on Sat., Dec. 7, 9am-4:30pm; & Sun., Dec. 8, Noon-5pm at Koelbel Lib. Sale sponsored by the Friends of Arapahoe Libraries, whose primary objective is to raise funds by selling used books and Friends memberships. Funds are allocated to Arapahoe Libraries in the form of grants, supporting programs & projects. For more information, visit the website.
 - Dessert with Charles Dickens
 - Get into the holiday spirit and listen to tales from the classic A Christmas Carol on Wed., Dec. 4, 7pm at Koelbel Library. Storyteller David Skipper will portray Charles Dickens and transport you back to 1844, a year after the novel's release. Cozy up and enjoy parlor games, yuletide treats and stories from Christmas past. (For adults)
 - Live: Park Hill Brass
 - Park Hill Brass will make your day merry & bright with its performance of holiday favorites at Eloise May, Smoky Hill & Koelbel libraries during Dec. These

talented, Denver-based musicians will play traditional seasonal brass music to warm you from the chill outside. For all ages. Co-sponsored by the City of Centennial. For dates & times, visit the website.

- Happy Noon Year Celebration
 - Start your countdown to the new decade earlier in the day on Tues., Dec. 31, 11 am at Smoky Hill Library. Let's celebrate the new year with upbeat tunes from a live a DJ, fun activities and refreshments. For children.
- D. City of Centennial (no one)
- 3. Colorado Blvd. Multi-Modal Corridor Study Update
 - Kelly Maiorana, Muller Engineering, representing the Study which goes from Orchard to County Line.
 - They've already begun public engagement with Littleton Public Schools and neighbors. They encourage public involvement throughout this process. There will be a pop-up public meeting on Dec. 11, 5-7pm at Koelbel Lib. They are planning at least 2 more pop-up public meetings, one this winter & another one in the spring. To sign up for notice of meetings and more information the website is www.centennial-co.gov/colorado

4. General RTD Services Overview

- Jyotsna Khattri, Community Engagement Specialist: showed a PowerPoint about RTD ride options, many payments & travel planning options. See the item linked below these minutes.
- 5. Adjourn: President Cummins adjourned the meeting at 8:35pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Andrea Suhaka from notes prepared by Rhonda Livingston.

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

Next meeting - January 27, 2020