

Centennial Council of Neighborhoods – September 2009 Minutes

The meeting was called to order by President Cathy Noon at 6:52 pm with 15 members present and adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Arapahoe County Sheriff www.arapahoesherrif.org **Captain Mark Fisher**

- Neighborhood Crime Watch newsletter is on website. Sign up for citizen alerts on department website.
- Medicine Cabinet program: In cooperation with Arapahoe libraries, citizens may dispose of expired prescription medications on October 17, 9am -1 pm at Koelbel and Smoky Hill Libraries.
- Crime Prevention Alert: Scam on the elderly. A citizen was approached by a person who agreed to detail car then replaced a sensor for \$4000. Check was stopped. Do not hire work to be done by strangers who approach you in parking lots or allow strangers into your home.
- Department received top award for catching the most youth or minors in possession of alcohol & drugs in Colorado.
- Closed business burglaries have been occurring with funds taken from cash drawers. Two suspects have been arrested.
- Domestic Violence candlelight vigil on October 1, Bega Park.
- On October 1, the Sheriff's Dept. is taking over dispatch communications for the City of Sheridan. Cherry Hills, Bow Mar & Columbine are also clients of the County Sheriff's Dispatch Center.
- October 7: 'Take it to the Track' – a car racing event for licensed teen drivers under 18 years of age.

Arapahoe Park and Rec District www.aprd.org **Delos Searle, Asst. District Manager**

- Count Dracula Halloween Party – age 1 to 8 yrs, Oct. 24, 4:00 -6:00 pm, \$5/child at Trails Rec Center. Register by Oct. 19. Volunteers may contact the district.
- Football schedule was made available.
- Fall/Winter program schedule is available to district residents.

Fire Districts **Chief Jerry Rhodes, Cunningham**

- Cunningham Fire Prevention Open House: Oct. 3, Pancake Breakfast, 9:00 – 12:00
- Cunningham has 36 meetings set up with the schools during October, Fire Prevention Month.
- September is National Preparedness Month. Plan ahead with a 3 – 5 day emergency supply. Don't forget pet supplies.
- Successful Fundraisers: MDA Drive, Make a Wish Foundation, Fired Up for Kids.
- Arapahoe County Emergency Preparedness is seeking a grant to do fire mitigation in neighborhoods adjacent to open space.
- Cunningham was nominated for the Circle of Safety Award.
- Littleton received a new ambulance after being displayed at Fire Rescue International Conference in Dallas.
- South Metro working on pink ribbon campaign to raise breast cancer awareness.
- October 17 – Open House, Station 36, 2:00 – 4:00 pm at 421 E. Castle Pines Parkway in Castle Pines.
- "Stay Fire Smart, Don't Get Burned" is the theme for Fire Prevention Month to be taken into the schools.
- H1N1: Wash Hands! Stay home when sick. Stay home for 24 hours following the end of the fever. Cough in tissue, sleeve, etc. Peak will occur in the next two weeks but season ends in March. Get vaccines for H1N1 and for the regular flu. H1N1 appears to be targeting the younger demographic population.
- South Metro was awarded the 'Special District of the Year' by the Colorado Special District Association.
- www.cfpd.org www.littletongov.org www.parkerfire.org www.southmetro.org

South Suburban Park and Rec District www.sspr.org **Jean Ray, Community Liaison**

- Blood Screenings: Done by Univ. of Colorado Hospital, 7:00 – 9:30, Oct. 20 at Lone Tree, Oct. 21 at Goodson, Oct. 22 at Buck and Oct. 23 at Family Sports Center. \$40/person with a 12-hour fast. Results are mailed to your home.
- Kidney functioning test at Buck, November 14, 9:00 am – 12:00 noon. Free. Criteria: risk factors such as diabetes, high blood pressure, or family history of both, or kidney disease. Eligible: 60 years +, African American, Hispanic, Native American, Asian Pacific Islander.
- Halloween: Spooktakular & Spooktoddler at Goodson, Oct. 23, 5:30 – 8:00 pm, ages 11 and under. Pre-pay by October 21 for a discount.

- South Platte Park – 850 acres, Haunted Trail, Oct. 23, Ages 9 – adult, reservations needed. Explore the forest & listen to chilling tales in the dark with refreshments and a warm fire at the end.
- Great Skate Month in November – free 30 minute skating lessons on Nov. 21 and 28, 1:30, at South Suburban Ice Arena, & every Saturday, 2:30, at Family Sports Center. Pay for admission & skate rental.

Metrum Credit Union:

Karen Padrevita

- Services for HOA/Civic Association accounts are available at Metrum Credit Union.

City of Centennial www.centennialcolorado.com

- Open House for I-25/Arapahoe Road interchange project, September 29, 7:00 pm, Civic Center.
- League of Women Voters Candidate Forum on October 3, 2:00 pm at Civic Center. All candidates are invited.
- October 7, South Metro Chamber, District 1 Candidate Forum, 7:00 – 9:00 pm.
- Ballots will be mailed out October 13-16. Deadline to return ballots is November 3.

Community Identity and Wayfinding Advisory Group

Design Studios West, Ian Anderson

- This 20-year phased Signage Program would help the public locate Centennial. Signage for multi-tenant business areas need to be addressed as there is too much text on most signs. That will probably be addressed in the Land Development Code. A unified family of materials would be used on signage throughout the City. Information was used from the stakeholders’ survey & traffic reports to identify primary corridors – Arapahoe Road, Smoky Hill Rd. & Parker Rd.
- Eric Vincent: Explained the conceptual signage package and took comment on 3 different designs.
- Comments: adopt design tools that can be implemented over time that allow for some small variation for different areas.
- Open Houses on Signage: October 7, Smoky Hill Clubhouse, 6:30 – 8:00 with formal presentation at 7:00 pm, and October 13, South Metro Chamber, 6:30 – 8:00 pm with formal presentation at 7:00 pm.

CenCON Business

Cathy Noon, president

- Land Code Rewrite is near completion, check website for information. Public comment ends on October 26. There are changes in the approval process but standards will be in place. More discussion is necessary. The timeline for Council approval is December 21. www.centennialcodeupdate.com
- Open House for Land Development Code Rewrite: October 24 at Grandview High School
- Senior Fair, October 9, 9:30 – 2:00 pm, Buck Rec Center, Jeremy Bloom is the speaker.
- Assistance for Seniors: call DRCOG or go to website - www.drcog.com
- Arapahoe County: A senior survey is being distributed to determine what the needs are in the County.
- Code Enforcement Workshop on October 21, 7- 9:00 City offices.
- At Council’s direction, the Code Enforcement staff is to pursue codes that deal with safety: sight triangle issues and obstructions in right of way over sidewalks. Stockpiling, parking on impervious surfaces, backyard observation are not being pursued at this time.

Rhonda Livingston, president pro tem

- Candidate information on the website including Campaign Finance reports from candidates. *Election button.*
- Check the calendar on the website for scheduled events.

Minutes

Gerry Cummins, Secretary

- Don Doerr moved to approve the August 2009 minutes. Lynn Leader seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Treasurer’s Report

Don Strickland, Treasurer

Checking:	Previous Balance	\$1125.94	Savings:	Previous Balance	\$2488.76
	Income (dues)	30.00			
	Closing Balance	\$1155.94		Closing Balance	\$2488.76

Other: Thom Reed has Centennial flags (4’ x 6’) available for \$65 for use in your HOA (flagpoles, etc.)

