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The Facts—President / Public Relations / **Upcoming Meetings: Development: Open** Open Space: Jan 12, 6 pm, 700 Jeffco Parkway, Suite 100 Board of County Commissioners Every Tuesday at 8:00 am Vice President / Environmental Advocate: Di-Foothills: Jan 24, 6 pm, The Peak. ane Suchomel E-mail: diane@cohopejeffco.com Board of Adjustment: 1st & 3rd Wednesday at 9 am, Hearing Room Secretary: Cheri Paavola 303-972-8080 One,100 Jefferson County Parkway Email: cheri@cohopejeffco.com DRCOG: Jan. 18, 4 pm, 1290 Broadway, first floor conference rm Treasurer/Newsletter/Membership: Ray Moore Planning Commission: 1st, 2nd, 4th, and 5th Wed. 6:15 pm, Hearing 303-978-1145 E-mail: wrmoorejr@msn.com Room One, 100 Jefferson County Parkway

Calendar for upcoming meetings: Jan 4—No Meeting Feb 1 Action Center Mar 1 Apr 5 May 3 June 7

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Draft Minutes for November 2 Meeting Attendance: Diane Suchomel / At Large, Ray Moore & Al Hintz / Kipling Hills, Cheri Paavola / At Large, Ralph Miller / Columbine Hills Civic Assn., Sharon Hilderbrandt / Westbury HOA, Deputy Jon Everhart / Jefferson County Sheriff's Department, Neil Ogden / Colorado Department of Transportation, Joe Hart & Leah Langerman / David Evans & Assoc.

The meeting was convened at 7:00 p.m.

Diane Suchomel, Vice President, welcomed everyone.

Special Reports – Deputy Jon Everhart, Jefferson County Sheriff's Department, handed out a Press Release on Fire Restrictions Implemented in Unincorporated JeffCo. Level 1 Fire Restrictions are expected to last into Feb. Motor vehicle trespasses are still happening. There have been more broken windows. They have made some arrests. Please lock your doors and hide valuables.

Pancake Breakfast is on Sat., 11/5, from 7:00 - 11:00 a.m. They will be live on Facebook.

There was a stolen car in Diane's neighborhood.

There have been discussions about Surveillance cameras on NextDoor.com

No one was present from Foothills Parks and Recreation District.

No one from Jefferson County Public Schools was present.

Tonight's speakers are **Joe Hart** and **Leah Langerman of David Evans and Assoc**., and **Neil Ogden of CDOT**. They are with the **WestConnect Coalition PEL (Planning and Environmental Linkages) Study.**

There is a Telephone Town Hall on Wednesday, 11/9, from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. There will be 3 Public Open House meetings all from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. On 11/15 it will be at Rocky Mountain Metropolitan Airport. On 11/16 it will be at Ken Caryl Ranch House. On 11/17 it will be at Golden Community Center.

They also have a video on their website, westconnectpel.codot.gov.

The purpose of the WestConnect Coalition PEL Study is a 18-month study to evaluate and determine short-term and long-term transportation alternative along C-470 between Kipling and I-70, US 6, SH 59, SH 93, and SH 170 between Golden and Boulder. The study started in April. They are now in the information collection stage. The study covers 32 miles and will cover a 20 year period. SH 93 has more accidents compared to similar roads.

The purpose is to improve safety, reduce congestion, and improve existing and future operational performance. Additional goals include environmental impact, emerging technology, and complement local community efforts. They are coordinating with other agencies' plans.

They will develop concepts, highway improvements, intersections, interchanges, multimodal elements, corridor management, and technology. For alternatives, they will consider forecasts for area growth.

Screening 1 will cover needs, desires, and considerations. Screening 2 will be recommendations. Level 3 will include cost estimates. What to do first, second, etc. They will also look at neighborhood impacts such as fences or sound mitigation.

They will have meetings in March 2017 with the results.

Jefferson Parkway is a separate project. It is a private enterprise.

What would be the maximum number of lanes on C-470 around Morrison? Perhaps 1 more lane each way. All expansions will depend on the surrounding area. Golden has requested that the expansion not go beyond 6 lanes until a certain traffic threshold is reached.

Is additional lighting being considered? No at this point. But they are open to suggestions. It may be covered under safety issues.

Will it be a public or private road? All options will be considered.

When will work begin? That has not been determined. The study will be done next year. An environmental study should take about a year. Design would take 1 - 1 1/2 years. Getting the right of way should take 1/2 - 1 year. Construction would take 2 years. All together about 5 years to start Phase 1. Although they could start interim projects in 3 years. About toll lanes, they are usually separated from free lanes by a solid white line. A driver can cross at broken lines. So if someone has been going fast on the toll lane and then needs to exit, they need to try to cross over the regular lanes. This can be an issue and can be a source of road rage.

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man@deainc.com. Neil Ogden is 720-497-6928 or neil.ogden@state.co.us.

Reports from Officers Roll Call was taken. We had 6 members present and we did not have a quorum. We do not have a President.

Ray Moore, Treasurer, was present. We have \$1,769.45.

Cheri Paavola, Secretary, was present. The Minutes for Oct. and Nov. will be in the next newsletter.

Diane Suchomel, Vice President, was present.

RTD has delayed splitting Route 100. They want to eliminate route 116.

Meetings on the remodel of Columbine Library will be Nov. 12 from 10:00 a.m. to noon and Nov 19 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. The remodel will begin in the spring.

For Liquor Licenses: Arrow Discount at Bowles and Wadsworth are asking for a tasting permit and a change of license is for 7444 W. Chatfield.

There was a community meeting on 5188 S. Nelson St. to rezone the property from agriculture to residential. Also rezoning in Willow Springs, west of the hogback.

There is information on the Flood Plain work for Blue Heron Park at 5518 S. Quail St. on the website.

Deer Creek Golf Course wants to rezone 90 acres for building houses. They will move the golf holes.

Old Business The position of President for COHOPE is still open.

New Business None.

Announcements Our Dec. meeting will be a Pot Luck at the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department at the South Precinct (our normal meeting place). COHOPE will provide sandwiches and drinks.

Pat Miller had a stroke. She has been going to rehab and thinks the place is wonderful! She has suggested that they be a future speaker. It is South Health on Mineral between Broadway and Santa Fe.

You can borrow a Culture Pass Event at the library.

We adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

(The December pot luck was cancelled due to the weather. The officers felt with the very cold and snowy forecast the attendance would be low and it would be dangerous for people to be out late.)

COHOPE Treasury Activity: December 2016 Beginning Balance December 7, 2016 Deposits Withdrawals Dec Newsletter 5.64	W R Moore, Treasurer	\$ \$ \$	1769.45 0.00 31.83
Website fee 26.19 Ending Balance January 4, 2017		\$	1737.62

2017 Dates for Shots for Tots and Teens in Arvada, CO—Jefferson County Public Health's (JCPH) Immunization and Emergency Preparedness Programs are partnering with the Arvada Fire Department and the Colorado Children's Immunization Coalition to provide Shots For Tots and Teens, community-based immunization clinics for children and adolescents, here in Jefferson County. Shots for Tots and Teens' goal is to make sure every child receives the immunizations needed to keep them healthy.

The program offers low- and no-cost Saturday immunization clinics throughout the year in Aurora, Denver, and Arvada with the help of experienced immunization public health nurses, fire medics, paramedics, health care and community volunteers. Each clinic also offers fun activities for kids, including fire engine and ambulance tours.

All recommended immunizations are available for children ages birth through 18 years. No appointment is necessary, and clients are served on a first come, first serve basis. Parents or legal guardians must be present for minors and are urged to bring immunization records to each visit. During busy Shots For Tots and Teens clinics, some patients may be referred for an appointment to their local public health department if maximum capacity has been reached.

The upcoming JCPH Shots for Tots and Teens clinics will be on Saturdays from 10:00a.m. to 1:00p.m. on January 7, February 4, and March 4, 2017. Shots for Tots and Teens is held at Arvada Fire Station #2, (See Page 7)

THE BACKYARD

Columbine Hills News

President's Corner — December 2016 I hope to keep this short this month. It looks like we've finally had some fall weather – I'm not complaining mind you, but my yard is probably the driest it's ever been. I enjoyed the awesome fall, though I don't look forward to shoveling and running the snow blower. I'd rather still ride the motorcycle to school each morning. I know I will miss good tomatoes the most. Those pink fleshed tasteless hot house tomatoes just don't do it for me.

I hope you enjoyed the late fall hayride. We as the CHCA board have fun hosting events for the community. Again, special shout out to those who came early and set up the tarps/lights and treats that we have each year. The next event on our calendar is the chili cook-off in January. Start getting out those secret ingredients and make your best concoction. If you participate in these activities please consider signing up as a member of CHCA so that we can continue to host neighborhood contests. We will not be having a formal board meeting in December – the month seems to be getting shorter and we have so many plans for other areas of our lives.

Just a friendly word from your pres, I know conflicts arise between neighbors about oh . . . cars, dog poop, noise, trash, branches, mobile homes, lack of mowing and shoveling, signs, bushes, leaves – you get the picture. I know there are difficulties with living in close proximity to neighbors as well as benefits. I'm asking you to be gracious in dealing with issues. Yes, issues need to be resolved – please take the steps to resolve matters and not let them fester on the back burner of your mind – I'm asking you to resolve them peaceably and with understanding. Talk things out with your neighbors; do your best to keep on a friendly basis. As always; Be the kind of neighbor you wish you had. — *Randy Montgomery, CHCA president, rmontgomery@frcs.org*

From CHICA BOARD MEETING, November 12, 2016—Meeting called to order at 9:04 a.m., at St Philip Church. Officers present: Randy Montgomery, Don Hochhalter, Jennifer Gerdes. Board Members present: Ralph Miller, Ruth Severns, Steve DeMarco, Michaelle Otto, Kelly Goodbar. Community Members present: Alicia Combs Ralph presented the treasures report. Seconded by Jennifer Gerdes

Old Business: Membership status: 301 members

COHOPE - Council of Homeowner Organizations for a Planned Environment. Ralph was able to speak with Casey Tighe, one of the commissioners and got his information. Was told if we ever have an issue to contact him directly. Stone – Still looking for an engraver. We will be getting a gift card for Don Mance for donating all the brick. Board voted and the vote was unanimous. Randy will be getting the gift card.

New Business: Hay Ride – Board discussed who was bringing which items and what will be provided by CHCA. Will be talking to local vendors to see who will donate hot cocoa and coffee. Kelly will talk to Bob from Roberts to see if they will. If not check with other places.

The board will be meeting for a holiday brunch at the Hochhalters for a planning meeting for 2017 events! Happy holidays to everyone!!

Meeting was adjourned at 10:16am

Columbine Knolls Voice

From October 11th 2016 Board Meeting Meeting called to order at 7:11 p.m.

In attendance: Board Members: Matt Hale, Lee Woodbury, Steve Hantelman, Skip Wilcox, Birgit Whitelaw, Judy Alliprandine, Nathalie McClish, Bryan Slekes

Guests: 6 guests signed the attendance form with one guest refusing to sign for a total of 7.

Public Comments: Question about a home complaint submitted to the

board via a phone message regarding landscaping. Matt has talked to the home owners about the complaint. There is nothing in the covenants about landscaping that the board can do.

A second complaint regarding furniture in a yard was reported which turned out to be an eviction.

Committee Reports: Membership: Skip is trying to contact all new CK homeowners welcoming them, giving them information about the protective covenants and encouraging them to join the voluntary HOA. There are now 366 members in the HOA. Members have access to the discount card found in the printed directory or online through the website.

Safety, Beautification and Maintenance: Clean up Yard of the Month is in the newsletter. Letter to duplex owners asking them to take care of the unsightly weeds. We need to find out who really owns this property so we can notify the correct people so they can clean it up.

Sheridan entrance being watered by Birgit to keep the plants alive.

Christmas decorations need to be looked at.

Covenants and Architectural Control Committee: A suit was filed against two home owners in April 2016 regarding covenant violations. The court ruled in favor of the HOA. The two home owners have filed an appeal. The appeal can take a long time.

Shed size discussion – what is the most common size for a shed? We need to create some better guidelines for the community.

Special Events/Programs: Halloween event coming up on October 28th. We need volunteers.

Treasurer's Report: Reports were emailed out to the board. Skip to take over all aspects of the membership process.

Old Business: Still a board member opening – What is the process to elect a member? Board member vacancies that occur between Annual Membership Meetings can be filled by an appointment by the Board. That appointment expires at the next Annual Membership Meeting. At each Annual Membership Meeting an election is held to fill any Board vacancies.

New Business: Web site – Steve requested permission to move the domain registration from Network Solutions to Google to save some money.

Should we change the November board meeting date due to the national election? Majority of the board not in favor of moving the meeting date so the November meeting will be the 8th.

Nominating committee for open board spot – Matt and Birgit will be looking to nominate a new member.

Lee discussed the idea of re-instituting the process of sending a letter to the owner/seller and listing agent of any new "FOR SALE" listing of homes in Columbine Knolls to make sure they understand the protective covenants for the community.

Lee discusses the idea of getting one trash truck company. What about a survey on companies used and days they pick up?

Rename meeting from board meeting to Home Owners Meeting suggested.

Lee motioned to start executive session / Skip seconds, all in favor. Executive Session Start: 8:30 pm – 8:42 pm Agenda: Share attorney information

Lee motioned to have our attorney represent us in the court appeal case / Skip seconds, all in favor. Adjourn at 8:50 pm.

Columbine Knolls South II REVIEW

From **President's Corner** Happy Holidays to everyone in our Columbine Knolls South II community! By the time you receive this newsletter Thanksgiving will be over and everyone will be busy planning for their next holiday. This is a great time to reach out to those less fortunate and offer a helping hand. I am so grateful for the beautiful community we live in and for the support of family and friends.

Our next CKSII HOA sponsored event will be the Annual Holiday Hayride on Sunday, December 4 from 6PM to 8PM. Please join your fellow neighbors as the horse drawn wagon makes its way from the Coronado School parking lot through the community while participants sing Christmas carols and look at the spectacular decorations. Meanwhile, Santa will be stopping by and hot chocolate with goodies brought by your fellow neighbors will be enjoyed. A big thanks to Bob and Stephanie Haborkorn for chairing the social committee this year and the following volunteers who will be help-ing to make this event a success: Joseph Alcala, Jennifer Blake, Dean Fitches, Bob Pellegrini, Robert Sudar and Tom & Donna Tellschow!

Thank you to those who attended the November HOA Meeting. We had several really good discussions that will be continued into 2017. Lori Bosanko from the Coronado PTA presented information on the new playground initiative. If you are interested in volunteering to help with the new playground or making a financial contribution please contact Lori at loribosanko@yahoo.com. Additionally we had a homeowner suggest working with the Post Office to have a mailbox location added within the neighborhood and another homeowner bring up discussion on adding speed bumps along Morraine and Fairview. More to come on these topics in 2017.

The Columbine Knolls South II Annual Homeowners' Association Member Meeting will be held in the Coronado School library at 7 p.m. on January 10, 2017. At this meeting Association Members will have an opportunity to vote on the 2017 CKSII Budget and elect several open board positions. HOA Board volunteers serve a two year term. In addition to the Board, the community is always looking for volunteers to help with various committees and opportunities to improve the neighborhood. The 2017 proposed budget is posted on the CKSII website for your review.

Please take time to consider how it benefits each homeowner to have a strong HOA and how you could contribute to the success of the Association. Anyone interested in serving on the CKSII Board of Directors or volunteering for one of the committees should contact any Board member to express their interest or ask questions. I would like to encourage all current CKSII HOA members to come to this important meeting to vote on the budget and elect your new board members.

Best wishes for a happy and healthy Holiday Season. I hope to see all of you at the Holiday Hayride! Jennifer Blake, President CKSII HOA

Board Meeting Minutes from November 1, 2016 President, Jennifer Blake called to order the meeting 7:00 pm. Board members Jennifer Blake, Bob Pellegrini, and Pam Horiszny, were in attendance and Bob Haberkorn and Robert Sudar called in to attend via conference line. Roger Borcherding of DARCO Property Management was also in attendance.

Treasurer's Report: Debbie was not in attendance so Jennifer reported the HOA currently has 335 members.

ACC Committee: Bob Pelligrini reported 9 requests and 9 approved with 0 in pending status. Applications were as follows: 3 for paint, 2 for roofs, 2 for driveway, 1 for a shed, and 1 for landscaping.

Welcome Committee: Jennifer Blake reported that the next delivery of welcome baskets will occur later this month.

Landscape Committee: Stephanie Haberkorn reported to Jennifer that she has been doing pruning and dead heading at the entrance along Chatfield. It was explained to a homeowner in attendance that this was the only common area under the control of the HOA.

Social Committee: Bob Haberkorn reported that the Social Committee met on October 17th to prepare for the Holiday Hayride and all is in order and prepared for the event.

Management Report: DARCO reported that three inspections were conducted in October. 26 violations were processed by mail. Included were 6 campers; 1 boat; 2 trailers; 12 trash containers visible; 4 with trash visible in front which including tires, logs, tree limbs, and wood palate; and 1 fence. The fence violation was referred to the HOA's attorney after first getting approval from Board members. The homeowner phoned and advised for the first time that they were having trouble getting a contractor to do the repairs but had finally found someone. DARCO provided two other contractors who could do the job at a reasonable cost in case this contractor failed to perform. After which DARCO advised the attorney to hold up on processing this violation. DARCO drove past the property on the way to the HOA Board meeting and the repairs had not been completed yet.

Updates: Jennifer reported that the Next Door site had 65 new members since our last meeting and is up to 294 neighbors.

New Business: Laurie with the Coronado Elementary PTA came to speak to the HOA Board and neighbors in attendance. She explained that the Coronado PTA was leading efforts to replace the playgrounds at the school. They are fund raising and also seeking various grants. One of the factors of the grant review is Community involvement so they are asking for a letter, signed by the HOA Board, in support of the installation of new playground equipment and possible non-monetary support in the form of labor by community members. Coronado has two playgrounds that cater to different age ranges and the PTA is looking to replace both at an estimated total cost of \$250,000. The Board provided Laurie with the signed letter. Additionally, the Coronado PTA is holding a fundraiser at Virgilio's Restaurant on Kipling, where if you bring a Virgilio's receipt into the Coronado office, the restaurant will donate a portion of the value of the receipt towards the playground fundraising. Barb Steward also requested that the Coronado PTA supply an article about the playground fundraising efforts to be published in the upcoming HOA newsletter.

One homeowner in attendance inquired about the possibility of central mailbox systems for the neighborhood to avoid theft that has been occurring with outgoing mail in personal mailboxes. This is something that will be researched to expand understanding about requirements, costs, and whether this would be just for a secure outgoing mailbox or for banks of locking mailboxes in central locations.

Another homeowner wanted to inform the HOA Board and the community that he has spoken to the county about the possibility and process to have speed bump(s) installed on the north end of West Morraine Dr, near the intersection with South Carr St. He has spoken to the homeowners in that specific area and received agreement from them that many cars unsafely speed immediately after turning that corner and because of the bend in the road so close to the intersection, this creates an unsafe environment for pedestrians as well as other vehicles driving on the street. In his conversation with the county he found out that if he can gather enough signatures in the area directly around the identified "speeding zone," then the county will set up their equipment to track and collect data to identify if a speed bump is truly warranted in that location. These speed bumps would be similar to ones already existing in the neighborhood on South Carr St. and West Nichols Ave. The homeowner is willing to take the lead on this and since it is on the county street, the HOA has very little required involvement. The homeowner did explain that if, given the data supports them, speedbumps are installed, each requires a payment of \$4,000 and the homeowner expects that one or two might be necessary. He also explained that the HOA is allowed to pay half of the cost of these speed bumps if it chooses to. There was discussion among the board about other options like more police in the area or those movable signs that display a vehicles speed visibly. The homeowner agreed but thought those were too much of a temporary solution and stated that he would still continue his process with the county. Jennifer asked that the homeowner email her to keep her informed of his progress throughout the process and that he keep in mind that any budget decisions for the 2017 year will need to be approved at the January 2017 HOA meeting. The board was also interested in the requirements to have other stretches of road in the neighborhood be analyzed by the county to see if they warranted speed bump installation as well.

Newsletter Article idea discussion was tabled until members of the board who proposed this topic were present at the meeting. Barb Steward did explain to the board that other articles can be submitted to the newsletter for inclusion by emailing them to the Editor of the newsletter as described in the newsletter itself. Submissions should be emailed to Barb Steward at cksileditor@gmail.com.

Jennifer let those in attendance know that several HOA Board positions will be opening at the end of the year and will be available for nomination and election at the January Annual HOA meeting.

Upcoming Special Event Dates: December 4, 2016 – Holiday Hayride, June 2-3, 2017 Community Garage Sale, June 3, 2017 – Donation drop off in Coronado School Parking lot, June 7, 2017 – Large Item Pickup, December 3, 2017 – Holiday Hayride

The meeting was adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Columbine West Civic Association Newsletter

From **A Moment With The Board** The November 9th, CWCA meeting of volunteers was at Dutch Creek Elementary where there was approximately 35 residents & (3) Jeffco Sheriffs in attendance. This meeting was totally dedicated to share information about safety and security in Columbine West that was written about in the November CWCA newsletter. Our neighbor Lucy Duncan asked the sheriff dept. to bring critical information to the meeting that could shed light on criminal activity that has been conducted around Fremont/ Webster. The sheriff dept. also shared information about crimes of opportunity and how we can all work on making our homes and neighborhood safer. Many of us have never had any issues with criminal activity, so it opened our eyes to focus on ways to help prevent potential crimes. Taking steps to help prevent crime in our neighborhood is a smart way to protect ourselves and our family. But it's also an investment in our community and our quality of life. To learn more about crime prevention services, call 303-271-5807 or email crimeprevention@jeffco.us. Remember that the JCSO Deputies asked neighbors to report any suspicious activity to the Tip Line phone at 303-271-5612, please be able to provide a description of the activity, along with license plate number, which is crucial.

Thank you to those who took the time to attend and share your thoughts. Our new meeting night is the 2nd Wednesday of the month, we hope this change might help neighbors who couldn't attend find the time to join us.

If you have questions or any suggestion of ideas feel free to email CWCAtalk@gmail.com. Look forward to hearing from the community. Residents are encouraged to attend any monthly meeting.

The Leawood Rapporter

From Leawood Civic Association Minutes November 2, 2016 Board Members Present: Paul O'Connor, Richard White, Debby Baker, Chip Langowski, Rhonda Eveleth, and Nancy Bock.

The meeting began with a discussion of the Treasurer's Report, which included LCA's current account balances, payments received, and outstanding bills.

The board discussed limiting the neighborhood garage sale to one time per year due to limited interest. LCA membership stands at 170 members.

The Santa Party is on Wednesday, December 7th from 6 to 8 P. M. at Leawood Elementary. Pinto Pictures will again be providing the free 4" x 6" photos with Santa. Volunteers are needed to help with refreshments and crafts. Board members are to bring cookies or other snacks. Nancy will bring punch and crafts. Banners advertising the party will be put out by December 3.

Paul volunteered to contact Mike Shaw regarding help with the Jay Court entrance holiday decorations. New Christmas decorations and tree ornaments are needed. They will be purchased after Christmas when prices are lower.

Information about the annual Holiday Lighting Contest will be included in the December Rapporter. Prizes were increased to \$40, \$30, and \$25. All judging results need to be texted (303-519-3206) to Richard by December 18th. Contest results will be listed on the LCA Website and LCA Facebook page. Due to printing deadlines, the Contest results will not be included in the Rapporter until the February issue.

The end-of-year dinner for Platinum Level LCA members and the LCA Board will be held December 13 at 6:00 p.m. at Hacienda Colorado. Paul will provide the platinum member list.

Paul, Richard, and Debby stayed after the meeting to work on the financial audit.

There will be no LCA Board meeting in December due to the Santa Party and the dinner.

The next LCA Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 4, 2017 at Leawood Elementary.

From Leawood Metropolitan Recreation and Park District Minutes November 9, 2016 The meeting was called to order at 6:34 p.m. at Leawood Elementary School's Teacher's Lounge by President Kyle Sargent. Members present were: Directors, Linda Smith/Secretary VP, Donna Snyder/Treasurer, Debby Baker/Special Projects, Jennifer Dawe and Dave Padilla, Parks Manager.

Public Comment/Correspondence - Donna reported the IRS acknowledged that the forms sent to the wrong address would still require a late penalty charge. Donna moved the \$15 penalty be paid, Linda seconded and the motion passed. Kyle and Dave reported on a resident's concern about tree trimming that was done in Raccoon Park near his property. Another resident sent Kyle an email thanking the Board for the tree trimming in Weaver Park and how nice it looked.

Treasurer's Report – Donna presented the Treasurer's Report. Income included a small amount from property taxes and ownership tax income. There is outstanding property tax revenue based on the numbers we were given from the county from last year. Invoices for the month include: Denver Water, Weston Landscaping, United Site Services, Waste Management, Xcel Energy, IRS late fee, Rich's invoices for trash removal, Dave's invoice and reimbursement to petty cash. Linda moved the Treasurer's report be received and bills paid. Jennifer seconded and the motion passed.

Parks Manager Report – Weston has done their last mowing and they continue to do a little more fall clean up. Tree trimming in Weaver is almost complete and a few trees will be trimmed in Raccoon Park. The project should be complete by the middle of November. Dave continues to water the replacement tree in Weaver and the new tree in Raccoon Park. Weston trimmed a tree growing on park property in Raccoon Park but was leaning onto a resident's property. The tree was leaning at a 45-degree angle. Weston was able to trim it back and we should be okay until we need to remove the

tree. Doggie bags were inspected and replenished as needed.

New Business – Leawood Park diamond lease request - South Jeffco Sports requested permission to use the baseball field at Leawood Park for the March - June 2017 season. Kyle will respond that we have considered the request and will get back to them after the first of the year.

Old Business – 2017 Draft Budget - The review of the preliminary 2017 budget continued. Donna reported information from the County showed that assessed property tax income had decreased a bit, so an adjustment to income was made. Donna moved and Jennifer seconded that we move forward with the preliminary budget. The motion passed. Final approval will take place at the December 14 meeting. Linda reported our public notices appeared in the Columbine Courier on November 2nd and November 9th. This is required per statute notifying the public of our budget and that it can be reviewed at the home of Kyle Sargent, 6328 S. Harlan Way.

2016-2017 Projects – Items were discussed for 2017 projects. Jennifer is finalizing the new format for keeping track of our projects.

The meeting was adjourned 8:02 p.m.

Meeting Dates Day/Time: 2nd Wednesday of each month (unless noted), 6:30 p.m. Location: January to May – Leawood Elementary School June, July and August – Park pavilions or Board member's homes (school is closed) September to December – Leawood Elementary School

Posting location: District Board's agendas are posted by the Clerk to the Jefferson County Board of Commissioners board at the county.— Linda T. Smith, Vice President and Secretary

Woodbourne

From **Notes From the Board** It is hard to believe that it is December already. For me, the time between Thanksgiving and New Year's Eve is always one of joy and contemplation. The joy comes from seeing my family, friends, and neighbors doing well and being happy. I appreciate being able to walk and drive through our neighborhood and seeing how much everyone has decorated. I know that when we return home from an outing at night my kids always want to take a detour by one house or another just to see the lights. In this festive holiday, how could I say no to such a simple request to bring joy to their faces?

This contemplation comes from reflecting on those in our neighborhood who have lost someone special this year or in past years. I also reflect on those who are less fortunate and must turn to food banks or other assistance to have a holiday dinner. Some have a feeling of hopelessness and need someone to reach out to. It is in reflecting on others that I truly appreciate what I have, and I am mindful of those who have less. I also do my best to bring the holiday spirit in word and deed to everyone I interact with. I would like to think we can all share this in common regardless of religion, political affiliation, or any other potential divisions that we may have in life.

With that being said, I hope that all of you will come to the Cookie Exchange and Hay Ride on December 17. We have three wagons this year, and it is great fun to go through the neighborhood. —James Meyer, President

Puffers by Sheriff Jeff Shrader—Breaking into your car takes seconds. So does preventing it. Law enforcement is encouraged that, according to Coloradans Against Auto Theft, 66 percent of Coloradans say they NEVER leave their cars running unattended. Despite the growing percentage of Coloradans becoming more 'puffer- wise' there are still quite a few exhaust vapors emitting from pipes on cold days. Thieves see the vapors as an open invitation to steal the vehicle, but the thief rarely stops there. We've seen both a rise in auto theft and the serious, violent crimes associated with it.

Warming up a car on a winter day may not seem like a big risk in the moment, but the result providing free transportation to a car thief is a risk too great to take. Our goal is to successfully combat auto theft by working hand-in-hand with our citizens and our partners to reduce motor vehicle theft with education. Jefferson County Sheriff's Office asks that you please share these reminders (and the above video link) with your friends, family, and neighbors. If you would like to report a puffer please call our non-emergency line at 303-277-0211.



Auto theft facts, a hot spot map and prevention tips can be found on the Coloradans Against Auto Thefts (CAAT) website. CAAT is a statewide auto theft prevention initiative to raise awareness of the problem and educate the public on how to reduce their chances of falling victim to auto theft.

5250 Oak St. Arvada, CO 80002. Fire station #2 is accessible by RTD bus line #100 to Miller Street and Ridge Road stop, and beginning in October, light rail G line to the Arvada Ridge stop. For more information, or to make an appointment at one of our regularly scheduled immunization clinics offered Monday-

Friday, please call 303-239-7078. *From Jeffco Website*

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There will be **NO January meeting**. Our next meeting will be Wednesday, **February** 1, 2017 at the Sheriff's South Service Center (11139 Bradford Rd). The speaker will be from the Action Center.

Mouth of Clear Creek Canyon Community Meeting—January 18, Golden Community Center

Jeffco Open Space was recently awarded a Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO) Connect Initiative Grant and a Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Grant totaling \$2.85M to partially fund another section of the Peaks to Plains Trail just west of downtown Golden in Clear Creek Canyon. The Peaks to Plains Trail will ultimately span 65 miles and connect the South Platte Trail in Denver to Loveland Pass. Financial contributions, totaling an additional \$500,000, were also provided by our partners in the Cities of Arvada, Golden, Lakewood, and Wheat Ridge; Apex Park and Recreation District and Prospect Recreation & Park District; as well as Team Evergreen and the Jeffco Outdoors Foundation.

As part of the planning process for new trails and parking additions in Clear Creek Canyon, Jeffco Open Space is hosting a community meeting on Wednesday, January 18, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., at the Golden Community Center, 1470 10th Street Golden, CO 80401,

Anyone interested is invited to learn more about the vision and scope of this project and share their ideas. A 30-minute presentation will include an overview of future planned trails including the Peaks to Plains Trail, Welch Ditch Trail, and Chimney Gulch Trail and access and parking improvements. Following the presentation, informational displays and staff will be available to discuss the project, answer questions and hear the community's feedback.

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(From DRCOG website) Strategic Action Planning Group on Aging releases recommendations—As Coloradans age, they will affect every facet of daily life for millions of residents, including the state's economy, state and local programs, and the everyday lives of countless families. Indeed, Colorado stands at the end of a demographic shift that will define it for generations. Colorado is working to seize the opportunities this shift presents and to face challenges that may arise. We were proud to contribute to the Strategic Action Planning Group on Aging's first set of recommendations to help Colorado prepare now through 2030. Please take a look at this landmark plan (link is external) and help us ensure that the Centennial State remains a place where everyone, regardless of age, can thrive. Link is: https://www.keystone.org/wpcontent/uploads/2016/11/SAPGA-Nov-2016-Strategic-Plan.pdf

Nine recommendations were made in the report.

West Metro Launches Life Saving App-West Metro Fire Rescue has launched the PulsePoint CPR/AED smartphone application to help improve survival rates for sudden cardiac arrest in the fire district. The app alerts citizens and medical professionals, trained in CPR to nearby emergencies, connecting them with those who need help and showing them the location of the nearest automated external defibrillator (AED), a portable device that sends an electric shock to the heart to restore a normal rhythm.

Once the app is downloaded, an alert goes out if the user is within 400 meters (about a quarter mile) of the patient. The app points users to the nearest automated external defibrillator. App users can also place an AED's location on a map, add a business and upload photos for easy access. http://www.westmetrofire.org and http://www.pulsepoint.org (From West Metro website)