

# COHOPE

council of homeowners organization for planned environment

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## Upcoming Meetings:

Open Space: July 12, 7pm, 700 Jeffco Parkway, Suite 100  
Board of County Commissioners Every Tuesday at 8:00 am  
Foothills: 2nd Tuesday of each month, 6 pm, The Peak.  
Board of Adjustment: 1st & 3rd Wednesday at 9 am, Hearing Room One, 100 Jefferson County Parkway  
DRCOG: July 18, 6:30 pm, 1290 Broadway, first floor conference rm  
Planning Commission: 1st & 2nd Wed. 6 pm, 4th-5th Wed, 1:30 pm, Hearing Room One, 100 Jefferson County Parkway

Calendar for upcoming meetings: **July No Meeting**  
**August Picnic September SRC Oct Nov**

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**Draft Minutes for June 6 Meeting** Attendance: Cheri Paavola / At Large, Diane Suchomel / At Large, Ray Moore & Al Hintz / Kipling Hills, Joe Peterson / At Large, Bob & Pat Ham / At Large, Alicia Combes, Ralph & Pat Miller / Columbine Hills Civic Assoc., Burke & Betty Steinke / Lakehurst West, Florene Rotherham / At Large, Jemal Touba / Trappers View, Bette Peterson / Westridge-Lakeview Meadows, Jay Marcum / Columbine Knolls South.  
The meeting was convened at 7:00 p.m.

**Diane Suchomel, Vice President**, welcomed everyone.

**Special Reports – Gordon Neuenfeldt, Jefferson County Sheriff**, was not able to attend. Diane read his report. There were misdemeanor thefts, burglaries, thefts, and vehicle trespasses. There was not a crime trend this month. Most of the vehicle trespasses were of unlocked vehicles.

**National Night Out** is Tuesday, Aug. 7th. If you want someone from the Sheriff's Dept. to attend an event at your neighborhood, contact Gordon Neuenfeldt. Their website is [www.jeffco.us/sheriff](http://www.jeffco.us/sheriff).

No one from Foothills Parks and Recreation District was present. Lakehurst West (Burke & Bette Steinke) attended the meeting to discuss the sidewalks which are behind the homes, next to Foothills property. The sidewalks are in very poor repair. Collin Insley walked the area. They are now getting bids. There are plans to fix the sidewalks.

No one from Jefferson County Public Schools was present.

There is no speaker tonight. **Diane Suchomel, Vice President**, proceeded with Winnie Burdan's agenda. For those who file their Annual Report on the website, you now have the option of setting up a password.

The Chatfield Reservoir Storage Reallocation Study should be release in 2 weeks. *(update on the Chatfield Reallocation project.: the US Army Corps of Engineers released the report for public comment and they will hold public meetings about the project proposals this week. The closest meeting sites to this area are at the Wildlife Experience in Parker, CO on 6/25 and at Dakota Ridge High School on 6/26.. meeting times at both locations will be from 5:30 p.m - 8:30 p.m.. These meetings will be an opportunity to make comments on their proposal and/or ask questions of those who are in charge of the project ).* Public Meetings should happen at the end of June. You can stay informed by signing up on their website, [www.chatfieldstudy.org](http://www.chatfieldstudy.org). Copies of the plan will be online, at the Chatfield State Park / US Army Corps of Engineers building, and at the Columbine Library.

They are counting the number of people using the Pedestrian Bridge at Southwest Plaza.

Who should be our Sept. speaker? We could have the Senior Resource Center or SanchezHindman again. We could also consider Arnie Snyder. He is promoting a Club for Seniors. Members pay a yearly fee. They will meet monthly at Columbine Library. He hopes to grow the Club to about 200 members. The service they provide is tasks such as changing light bulbs.

Maureen Sielaff wants COHOPE to support her concern on Neon signs on businesses near subdivisions. We will save this issue until the next meeting when Maureen can be present.

Diane went to the Foothills Parks and Recreation District's meeting where they discussed graffiti at the Skate Park. They visited another district's park and it was very clean. That district's park is fenced and the park is locked after hours.

The Habitat Restore at Quincy and Wadsworth will take house item donations. It benefits Habitat for Humanity. Best Buy will accept small electronics for recycling. You can drop off a maximum of 3 electronics items/day. They also accept some types of smaller items for recycling at the self service recycling station just inside the front door entrance. The Clerk and Recorder let us know that the savings from mail-in ballots is \$5M. The money goes to the County Commissioners.

There was an issue last month concerning Hazardous Waste dumping (old oil) behind a fence on Xcel property. Several people were called. No one seemed to be interested. Someone from Colorado Dept. of Public Health and Environment called back. Xcel came out to clean up the issue.

**Reports from Officers**

Roll Call was taken. We had 13 members present and a quorum.

**Winnie Burdan, President**, was not able to attend.

**Diane Suchomel, Vice President**, was present. If you have any suggestions for speakers for the rest of the year, please contact **Florene Rotherham**.

**Ray Moore, Treasurer**, was present. We have \$1,968.63. Shelter 6 has been reserved for our Aug. 6th meeting. There was some discussion about how to contact candidates for our August picnic. The sign up sheet for Summerset was passed around The Sheriff's Department meeting room is not available for our Oct. meeting.

**Cheri Paavola, Secretary**, presented the May Minutes. They were approved without any changes.

**Diane Suchomel** said that there was a grading permit issued for 9986 Elkhorn St., a home west of the Hogback. The first referral is June 13.

A Community Meeting is June 12th from 6:00 until 7:00 p.m. at 5300 W. Ken Caryl Ave., west of The Gardens. They will discuss rezoning from Agriculture 1 to Planned Development for an Assisted Living. The assisted living home bought a house (5130 W. Ken Caryl Ave) and wants to demo it and build a new assisted living place.

There is a Hearing for Development Plan Rezoning. The area is at 8460 W. Ken Caryl Ave. The meeting is on June 13th at 6:15 p.m. It will allow neighborhood level commercial usage and doggie day care. The BOCC hearing for it is 8 am on July 17.

**Old Business** None.

**New Business** It was moved that we have our Holiday Party at the Sheriff's Dept. The motion passed.

A neighborhood was invaded by rats several months ago. They are about a mile from an area where squirrels were dying from Decon rat poison. Now they are concerned about their pets.

**Announcements** None.

We adjourned at 8:02 p.m.—*Cheri Paavola, Cohope Secretary*

**Summerset Sign up**

**Saturday—September 15, 2012**

9:00 AM	Ray Moore	Diane Suchomel
10:00 AM	Cheri Paavola	Ray Moore
11:00 AM	Cheri Paavola	Ray Moore
12:00 AM	Burke & Bette Steinke	Ray Moore
1:00 PM	Burke & Bette Steinke	Ray Moore
2:00 PM	Burke & Bette Steinke	Ray Moore
3:00 PM	Burke & Bette Steinke	Ray Moore
4:00 PM	Burke & Bette Steinke	Ray Moore
5:00 PM	Burke & Bette Steinke	Ray Moore

**Sunday—September 16, 2012**

9:00 AM	Ray Moore	Diane Suchomel
10:00 AM	Ray Moore	Diane Suchomel
11:00 AM	Ray Moore	Diane Suchomel
12:00 AM	Ray Moore	Diane Suchomel
1:00 PM	Jemal Touba	Ray Moore
2:00 PM	Jemal Touba	Ray Moore
3:00 PM	Ray Moore	
4:00 PM	Ray Moore	
5:00 PM	Ray Moore	

This is the schedule so far. If you want to volunteer let Ray Moore know the time you would like.

*From BCC Actions -* **Green Gables ODP Given the OK**

The BCC approved the Green Gables Official Development Plan, which will rezone the property from Agricultural-Two (A-2) to Planned Development (PD) to allow for commercial and residential uses.

The property is located at the southeast corner of Wadsworth Boulevard and Jewell Avenue. It is 152.36 acres and has been the location of the Green Gables Country Club since the 1920s. Along with the club house it includes an 18-hole golf course, tennis courts, a boat house and a small portion of Ward Lake, which is a large private lake and reservoir.

The current owners of the property have expressed a desire to redevelop the site with mixed use containing both commercial, such as restaurants and retail shopping, and residential including single family homes and multifamily units. The applicant also said the development would be pedestrian-oriented with trails and open space.

**Means Ranch ODP Approved** The BCC approved the Means Ranch Amendment No. 3 Official Development Plan at its June 12 hearing. The purpose was to rezone the property to allow a single retail tenant of up to 63,000 square feet and an 18,000 square foot outdoor sales and storage area.

The property is located at the northwest corner of Evergreen Parkway and Stagecoach Boulevard. (see page 5)

# THE BACKYARD

## Columbine Hills News

**From Draft Minutes of the May 2012 Board Meeting** The Meeting was called to order by President Bruce Yarish at 9:15 a.m. Seven board members were in attendance.

Treasurer's Report: About 240 residents have made a donation to the Columbine Hills Civic Association.

New Business: The upcoming community garage sale was discussed. It was decided a general map of the community was sufficient to notify the location of those holding a garage sale.

Correcting the entry sign at So. Kendall Blvd. and W. Chatfield Avenue was discussed. The sign was damaged and will be repaired by a private party and will be relocated to prevent further damage.

Recent survey results relative to satisfaction of our neighborhood were discussed and a decision made to post results in the newsletter.

It was noted that volunteers are still needed for the playground construction at the intersection of S. Kendall Blvd. and W. Canyon Ave. — *Randy Montgomery, Secretary*

## Columbine Knolls South II REVIEW

**President's Corner** Summer will be here in a couple of weeks and with that comes time for home improvements. Justin Phillips, CKSII ACC Director, reported that there were 18 requests for improvements since our last meeting. Thanks to everyone for getting approval from the ACC before proceeding with their projects and to all of those who have repaired their damaged fences. Hopefully the fences still in need of repair will be repaired soon.

The May CKSII HOA Board of Director's meeting lasted two hours. One issue that I wanted to bring to your attention is that the Board of Director's became aware that there was a difference in the 2012 CKSII Budget being reported at the meeting and the one being published in the newsletter. The budget of \$79,070 reported at the monthly CKSII HOA Board of Director's Meeting is the budget draft presented at the CKSII Annual Meeting in January. The budget of \$71,930 being reported in the newsletter is the board-approved budget proposal that was posted on the website prior to the January CKSII Annual Meeting. The CKSII HOA Board of Director's is committed to keeping expenses in line with the board – approved budget proposal of \$71,930 that we posted on the website and intended to present at the annual meeting. I will keep you updated as I get more information and welcome any of your questions. I would like to say a special thank you to all the CKSII Board of Directors for their dedicated efforts to attend the meetings, carry out their assigned duties and enforce the covenants. It is a very large volunteer commitment and I am grateful for each member's commitment.

The CKSII Community Garage Sale will be Friday, June 8 and Saturday, June 9. This is always a very popular event with many interested shoppers coming into our neighborhood looking for bargains. I have found a few of those bargains myself and have found it a great way to meet some new neighbors. Following the community garage sale will be the large item pickup on Saturday, June 16. The large item pickup is a benefit of being a member of the CKSII HOA and is limited to members only.

The CKSII Landscape Committee will be pulling weeds and planting flowers over the Memorial Day weekend at the CKSII Monument Signs on Yukon Way and Chatfield. Please take the time to stop and thank Debbie Opperman and her committee for their hard work and maybe pull a weed or two! In addition, we are very hopeful that we will be able to make improvements to the area surrounding the CKSII Monument Signs at Carr and Fairview. I will update you on the progress of that next month. - *Stephanie Haberkorn*

**From Board Meeting Minutes – May 8, 2012** President Stephanie Haberkorn called to order the May 8, 2012 meeting of the HOA Board of Directors at 7:00 p.m. Board members Debbie Opperman, Ron Cuning, Jane Schaefer, Tom Tellschow, John Schutt and Justin Phillips were in attendance. Roger Borcharding of DARCO Property Management, along with seven homeowners attended.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Ron Cuning reported the HOA currently has 282 members.

**ACC REPORT:** Justin Phillips reported that the committee has received 18 requests for new improvements which have been approved and has one request pending.

**SETTLEMENT APPEAL:** A homeowner appealed to the Board regarding payment of legal fees. Action was discussed, and then tabled pending additional information.

**MANAGEMENT REPORT:** Roger Borcharding of DARCO Property Management reported that since the last board meeting on April 10, 2012, 16 violations were observed. 9 letters were sent regarding visible trash containers, RV's, damaged fences and weeds. The other violation notices were made via direct conversations with the homeowners. He further reported that there are 8 properties currently for sale in the community with two properties in foreclosure. The Board was notified that a lien had been placed against a homeowner's property for collection of legal fees. The HOA is required to register with the Colorado Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA) and that registration was filed.

**MEMBERSHIP INCENTIVE PROGRAM:** John Schutt, Stephanie Haberkorn and Deb Opperman met with Preston at EDS Waste Management about incentives for new homeowners to join the HOA. EDS is considering possible incentives for trash service. EDS is offering a recycling program. The Board approved having EDS at a future meeting to explain the recycling program for consideration.

**EASEMENTS on S. CARR:** John Schutt agreed to meet with owners of the two corner properties about easements for HOA landscaping and signage.

**BUDGET:** A motion was made by Deb Opperman and seconded by John Schutt to reassign \$2,000 from the Miscellaneous category to Landscaping in the current budget. The motion passed unanimously. Funds are intended for use on the S. Carr corners if easements are obtained.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

## ***The Leawood Reporter***

**From Leawood Civic Association Minutes Minutes of May 6, 2012** The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. Members present were Richard White, Paul O'Connor, Mike Shaw, Rhonda Eveleth, and Nancy Bock. The first order of business was presenting the 2012 LCA scholarship winner with her check. The board wishes Lauren the best in her academic endeavors next year.

Richard White presented the treasury report. He stated he is still receiving new and renewed memberships for this year. Rhonda reported she has contacted Leawood Elementary to reserve the parking lot for the LCA neighborhood Spring Clean-up on Saturday, June 9th. Rhonda is still waiting to hear if either lot will be available. Richard will reserve dumpsters from the same company that was used last year.

The Jay Court entrance was discussed. The board agreed it needs sprucing up but due to time constraints by the board members there were no volunteers. Rhonda will contact a landscape maintenance company for an estimate on general clean-up. Mike reported there is an outlet cover on the east side of Jay Court that is broken and moisture is seeping in to the outlet. He will contact an electrician to get a cost on fixing it.

The LCA picnic in August was discussed. The board decided to change catering companies. Samples from several barbecue restaurants were bought in and sampled. Mike thanked the board members for their continued dedication.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20.

**From Leawood Metropolitan Recreation and Park District: Minutes of May 9, 2012** The Board meeting was called to order at 6:36 p.m. by President Kyle Sargent at the Leawood Elementary School. Board members present were: Donna Snyder, Charlie Campbell, Mibby Luedecke, Linda Smith and Parks Manager, Dave Padilla.

Approval of Agenda – The agenda was approved as submitted.

**ELECTION** Certifying results – The Canvass Board will meet on Sunday, May 13 to review the procedures of the election of May 8 at Mibby's house. Documents will be sent to the County certifying the election after the meeting. At the present time, the incumbent board members were re-elected. (Please contact Mibby for the certifying count. It was posted at Leawood Elementary School after the election results were counted.) We had a total of 65 residents vote in the election.

**Swearing in of Board members** – The newly elected board members will be sworn in on May 14 around 6:30 at Mibby's house. This needed to be done before the next scheduled meeting in June. Kyle will give the Oath of Office to Linda and Donna. Linda, as a Notary Public, will give the Oath to Kyle.

**Public Comment** – A resident noted to Linda that the parks look great but could the entrance to Jay Ct be jazzed up a bit. Linda forwarded the info to Mike Shaw and responded that the District could not expend funds to maintain property it did not own. A number of years ago the District tried to buy the corner but was rejected by the County. The Civic Association has an agreement with County now to use the area after the signs were damaged several years ago. The Civic Association would appreciate any help in maintaining the area. Residents have been asked to volunteer and no help has been received.

**Treasurer's Report** – Donna submitted the Treasurer's report and bills to be paid. She sent in the required Conservation Trust Fund and Spending Report (Lottery Report) and it was accepted after a question was answered. Currently the expenses for the election have an approximate total of \$1,150. Costs for the ballot supplies and other expenses have not been received from Jefferson County yet. Mibby was able to keep the paralegal costs to a minimal. Bills to be paid were discussed. Bills include: payment to the Election Judges, paralegal services for the election, payment to Canvass Board for the election, election notice in the Columbine Courier, payment to South Suburban for copies made for the election for us, Horizon for sprinkler parts, United Site Services, Denver Water, L&M, reimbursement to petty cash, and Dave's invoice.

**Parks Manager Report** – Dave replaced the flood lights at the Leawood Park Pavilion due to burnout. Sprinkler lines were tested and repaired in all parks. Dave met with Arborist Arms to talk about a bid on tree trimming just east of the new bridge at Weaver Park at the last house on Benton Way. The end of the parks wraps behind that house. Large branch stems on the north side of the creek at Raccoon Park were removed. Others in the park needed to be moved so

the mowers and trimmers could get through.

It has been noted by several Board members and Dave that a large group from Columbine High School has been using the soccer field at Weaver Park for frisbee games. They appear organized and had not requested use of the field. Dave asked them to go through the proper channels to use the field. Costs for keeping the field in good condition is the reason for rental fees.

Dave had a meeting with Urban Drainage on the debris cleanup on the creeks at Weaver and Raccoon Park. They will send in a contractor for the cleanup. Mowing is continuing to take place in the parks as needed. Organic fertilizer has been put on the bluegrass. One large willow tree is down in the middle of Raccoon Park on the north end of the creek. We received a bid from Arborist Arms. Since the tree is over the creek, Urban Drainage has agreed to remove the tree. It is not on a pathway.

Dave met with Urban Drainage and Arrowhead Landscape to go over the irrigation as part of the Dutch Creek erosion project. Urban Drainage will take care of the costs, including the dripping of the new trees. Dave is also to have Arrowhead install our eight new trees from the bid they gave us. They will also run the poly line, drip the trees and install the clock. Since they are running the irrigation for the new project, we may have about 5 zones on the project. Edge is installing the trees, bushes, etc. per the drawings from Jefferson County. Dave met with interested parties related to the placement of these trees. Dave and Charlie staked places for the 8 new trees the District will be planting. Comments from residents and Board members are needed by May 11. Vintage Reserve residents are questioning some of the placement of the trees.

Due to the large volumes of trash anticipated at Leawood Park this summer, Dave is looking into purchasing disposable cans for weekend use. Dave will be meeting with Scott Hand of Platt Canyon related to Kendall and Weaver warranty work from last fall.

**OLD BUSINESS** Dutch Creek erosion project updates – See info in Parks Manager Report.

Website – The website is still under construction.

Future Meetings and Agenda – A special walk-through of the parks will be done on Wednesday, June 20 at 6:00 p.m. starting at the Raccoon Xeriscape area. A review of the parks will be done and a new list of projected projects discussed for prioritization.

Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 8:21 p.m. —*Linda T. Smith Vice President and Secretary*

## Westbury

**From WHOA Board Elections** 6:00 p.m., Thursday, June 14th 10154 W Lake Drive • Meeting and Pot Luck Dinner Thursday, June 14th, we elect our new board of directors, to serve for the remainder of 2012. Please join us for a pot luck dinner, our meeting, and the opportunity to elect our new board. If you can't make the meeting, and you live in Westbury, you may vote by proxy either by emailing your votes for each office to WestburyHO@gmail.com or by mailing or delivering your votes to 10154 W Lake Drive, Littleton, CO 80127. You may copy the ballot below, or create your own. If you deliver your ballot by hand, please put it into the box on the front door of the house. Each ballot must come with your address, and only one ballot per address can be accepted. Ballots should be received by 5:00 p.m. on June 14th.

We're pleased to have at least one candidate for each of our eight offices. If you vote by proxy, please vote once each for President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary. Then vote for up to FOUR additional board members.

Newly elected board members and officers will begin serving at the conclusion of the June, 2012 General Membership Meeting, and will serve for the remainder of 2012.

The new board of directors will take office immediately after the votes are counted and certified. Please join us, with food for the pot luck dinner, at 6:00 p.m., Thursday, June 14, 2012, at 10154 W. Lake Drive, Littleton, CO 80127. Beverages will be provided.— *John Gaudio, Past President, WHOA, 303-870-1044*

## WoodBourne

**From Notes From The Board** The May Board meeting was held on May 16, 2012. We reviewed the on-going beautification projects. The fence and playground should hopefully be complete by the time you receive this newsletter. The Board is still in the process of purchasing new furniture for the clubhouse, which we hope will be done soon.

The next regular monthly Board meeting will be held in conjunction with the Annual Homeowners Meeting on June 20, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Clubhouse. Please either attend or submit a proxy so that we can hold this important meeting.

.— *Carrie Kollar, President*

It previously had an Albertson's grocery store, which vacated the site in October 2009. The owner of the property has a potential tenant, a tractor supply/equipment store, interested in leasing half of the previous Albertsons' building. Staff found that the proposal was in general conformance with the Comprehensive Master Plan and the Evergreen Area Community Plan; and the Planning Commission recommended approval. The approved rezoning will now allow a tenant, such as tractor supply store, to occupy the space.

## Williamsburg II News

**President’s Message** Welcome June and the beginning of summer. Children celebrating the absence of school and homework. Vacation season. Again, a reminder to stay alert and mindful of the increased activity of kids in the neighborhood. Keep your speeds down. Stop at stop signs. Put the cell phone away and pay attention.

Good luck to all participating in the Community Garage Sale June 8th and 9th. Hope you receive a windfall of profits. Looking forward to seeing a big crowd as usual at the July 4th Bike Parade next month. Also, we hope to have a great turnout for Movie Night on Saturday July 21st.

Williamsburg II remains a much desired community in which to live. Thank you to all who cooperate and work hard to keep it that way. “Like” us on Facebook!

**From HOA Meeting Minutes for May 1, 2012** The meeting was called to order by Sharon Erickson 7:15 p.m. In attendance were Susan Ganz, Debra White, Bill Ganz and Sharon Erickson.

Newsletter: Correction to committee members was noted – Deb Ridner’s name will be removed as Foothills Liaison.

Treasurer’s Report: Susan Ganz, Treasurer, confirmed that the treasure’s report as published in the May newsletter is accurate and motioned to approve the report; Deb White seconded the motion.

Susan reported that the following bills were paid after the newsletter was published: CoHope annual dues; Mountain High for April watering at front entrance and sign board area; Electrician for inspection and repairs to lighting at front entrance.

Historian: According to Debra White all information is up to date.

Old Business: The Garage Sale dates are set for June 8th and 9th. Deb White will make sure banner sign is put up along the fence on Kipling two weeks prior to sale dates.

Annual Bike Parade is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on July 4th at Eagle Meadows Park. Fire Department will have truck there to lead the parade. Water and popsicles will be provided. Come and enjoy the fun!

New Business:

Yard of the Month judging begins in June. Two winners per month will be selected and given a Home Depot gift card. Judging will occur June, July, August and September.

Movie Night booked for July 21st. Deb White will get permit from Foothills to reserve Eagle Meadows Park for the evening and Mike Eppers will reserve a port-a-potty. Board will finalize plans and select a movie as we get closer to the date. Watch for further details as summer arrives.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

### Jeffco Public Schools news – June, 2012 by Beverly Craddock, Communications Services, Jeffco Schools

**JEFFCO’S GRADUATION RATE THIRD IN THE NATION** Jeffco Public Schools has the third best graduation rate of the 50 largest school districts according to Education Week’s Diplomas Count report released recently. The report calculates Jeffco’s graduation rate at 85.5 percent. This is the second year that Jeffco has been one of the top districts for its graduation rate; previously it was ranked fifth in the nation.

The report, part of an ongoing project conducted by Editorial Projects in Education (EPE), presents an updated analysis of graduation patterns for the nation, states, and the country’s 50 largest school districts. The new analysis focuses on the class of 2009, the most recent year for which data are available.

The EPE Research Center calculates graduation rates using data from the Common Core of Data (CCD), an annual census of the nation’s public schools and school districts conducted by the U.S. Department of Education.

**Jeffco Board of Education Votes on Ballot Initiatives** The Jefferson County Board of Education has voted to place a \$39 million mill levy override for operations and \$99 million bond package on the November 2012 ballot.

According to district staff, it’s estimated the mill levy and bond initiative will be an increase in property taxes of \$1.23 per month per \$100,000 of home market value.

In addition, members of the board approved the 2012-13 general fund budget of \$605,180,900.

### COHOPE Treasury Activity: April-May 2012

<b>Beginning Balance Mar 7, 2012</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1942.37</b>
<b>Deposits</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>300.00</b>
Dues—Johnston \$20 Rotherham \$20 Sielaff \$20 Columbine Knolls South Estates \$40 Trappers View \$40		
Columbine Hills Civic \$40 Williamsburg II \$40 Kipling Hills \$40 Sunrise Creek \$40		
<b>Withdrawals</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>273.74</b>
Dues Mailout \$ 9.45 Apr Newsletter \$ 8.10 May Newsletter \$ 8.10 June Newsletter \$ 8.10 Lilley Gulch rental for		
June Meeting \$ 60 Clement Shelter Rental for August Picnic \$125 Website \$4.99		
<b>Ending Balance June 6, 2012</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1968.63</b>

**W. R. Moore, Treasurer**

## **Fire ban and fire restrictions remain in place; all personal use of fireworks banned**

Fire ban to the west and fire restrictions to the east.

Jefferson County, Co. – Due to the Governor's Executive Order to ban personal use of fireworks statewide, the use of all fireworks in unincorporated Jefferson County is banned Effective June 15, 2012. This includes ALL FIREWORKS, even sparklers, snakes, etc.

NO USE OF ANY FIREWORKS ANYWHERE IN UNINCORPORATED JEFFERSON COUNTY.

NO USE OF TIKI TORCHES OR CHIMINEAS' ANYWHERE IN UNINCORPORATED JEFFERSON COUNTY.

NO USE OF PORTABLE FIRE PITS ANYWHERE IN UNINCORPORATED JEFFERSON COUNTY.

NO USE OF CHARCOAL GRILLS WEST OF C470, WEST AND SOUTH OF C470 AND WADSWORTH BLVD., AND WEST OF HIGHWAY 93 .

The previous fire bans and fire restrictions that went into place on June 7, 2012 at 12:00 p.m. remain in place with the changes to the ban on fireworks, Tiki torches, chimineas, and portable fire pits. The explanation of the restrictions and bans are below.

Traditionally, there is confusion over what is allowable when the county is under a fire ban and/or fire restrictions. The FAQs' below address much of this confusion. For more detail, please see the attached documents.

Am I in a fire ban or under fire restrictions?

- You are in a fire ban if you are located west of C470, west and south of the intersection of Wadsworth Blvd. and C470, or west of Highway 93.

- You are under fire restrictions if you are east of C470, east and north of the intersection of Wadsworth Blvd. and C470, or east of Highway 93.

What is allowed in a fire ban?

- Only devices that are liquid fueled or gas fueled are allowed. Simply put, gas grills, gas fire pits, gas stoves, and gas lanterns are allowed. The rule of thumb is whether or not the fire can be "turned off," rather than "put out."

What is not allowed in a fire ban?

- Anything which produces an open flame which is not liquid fueled or gas fueled. This includes charcoal grills, Tiki torches, fire pits, and chimineas. This includes private residences.

- The use of any fireworks.

- Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, or while stopped in an area of at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all combustible material.

- Using any fire to burn trash, debris, fence rows or vegetation, or any campfire.

- There are restrictions regarding operating a chain saw, operating an acetylene or other torch, welding, or the use of an explosive initiation system. See the attached for guidelines.

NOTE: The Sheriff's Office will strictly enforce a zero tolerance policy on all fireworks violations in the fire ban area.

What is allowed under fire restrictions?

- Charcoal grill fires at a private residence or within a permanently constructed grate in a developed park, campground, or picnic area.

- Any fires contained within liquid fueled or gas fueled stoves, lanterns or heating devices.

- Fire pits that are constructed with a permanent fire grate within a developed campground, picnic ground or recreation site.

What is not allowed under fire restrictions:

- Any fire or campfire, not within a permanently constructed fire grate in a developed park, campground, private residence, or picnic area.

- The use of any fireworks

- Tiki torches, portable fire pits, and chimineas. This includes private residences.

- Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site, or while stopped in an area of at least three feet diameter that is barren or cleared of all combustible material.

NOTE: The Sheriff's Office will strictly enforce a zero tolerance policy on all fireworks violations in the fire restriction area.

Jefferson County deputies will strictly enforce the temporary fire ban and temporary fire restrictions in the unincorporated areas, to include federal lands. Pursuant to County Policy Part 3, Chapter 6, Section 2, authorizing the Declaration of Open Fire Bans, violations of these prohibitions, upon conviction, is punishable by a fine of not more than \$600.00.

Such act(s) violate section(s) 102.8 and/or 308.2.1 of the International Fire Code.

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There will be no July meeting due to the holiday. August 1 will be the annual picnic at Clement Park, Shelter 6. The next sit-down meeting will be September 5th at the Sheriff's South station at 11139 Bradford Road.

**Foothills June Events**—Kate Dragoo, Communications & Marketing Supervisor, Foothills Park & Recreation District (303) 409-2525; [kate@fhprd.org](mailto:kate@fhprd.org)

**Red, White & You – July 3** Mark your calendars for Foothills Park & Recreation District's annual patriotic celebration on Tuesday, July 3, 2012 at Clement Park (West Bowles Avenue at South Pierce Street). Red, White & You is a free admission event and starts at 5 p.m. with food vendors, community booths, games and fun for the family. Musical entertainment will begin at 7:30 p.m. with Black Water - a rockin' tribute to the music of the Doobie Brothers, followed by a fireworks display at 9:30 p.m. (fireworks launched south of the amphitheater). For more information call 303.409.2626 or visit [www.ifoohills.org/rwy](http://www.ifoohills.org/rwy)

**Independence Day Special, July 4** \$2 swim admission at all Foothills Park & Recreation District's pools during open swim hours on Wednesday, July 4, 2012. Admission rate available during open swim hours only at Ridge Recreation Center Pools, 6th Avenue Pool, Columbine West Pool, Deer Creek Pool and Weaver Hollow Pool (Lilley Gulch Pool closed on 7/4/12). For more information visit [www.ifoohills.org/events](http://www.ifoohills.org/events).

**Pool Parties at Foothills Pools** Cool off at Foothills Park & Recreation District's July pool parties. Admission only \$2 for each pool party. Organized games, activities, food and prizes will be happening at the following locations and times:

Saturday, July 14, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. at Deer Creek Pool (8637 S. Garrison St.)

Saturday, July 21, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. at Weaver Hollow Pool (12750 W. Stanford Ave.)

Saturday, July 28, 12-4 p.m. at Ridge Recreation Center (6613 S. Ward St.)

For more information, call 303-409-2333 or visit [www.ifoohills.org/events](http://www.ifoohills.org/events)

**Foothills Community Concert Series, July concerts** Foothills Park & Recreation District celebrates 22 years of free concerts at Clement Park (corner of Bowles & Pierce). The 2012 Foothills Community Concert Series will showcase a wide variety of free, family-friendly concerts. For more information call Foothills Special Events Hotline at 303.409.2626 or visit [www.ifoohills.org/concerts](http://www.ifoohills.org/concerts).

July Concerts: Tuesday, July 3, 5-10 p.m. – Red, White & You, patriotic celebration event

Thursday, July 19, 7-8:30 p.m. – Some Train Yard (Blues Americana/Country Blues)

Saturday, July 21, 6-9 p.m. – Denver Municipal Band Wind Festival "Cannon Concert"

Thursday, July 26, 7-8:30 p.m. – Chris Daniels & The Kings

Friday, July 27, 9:30-10:15 a.m. – Total Performance Disc Dogs

Saturday, July 28, 6-8 p.m. – Littleton Drum Studio's local talent showcase

**Parent-Junior Golf Tournament** Sign up now for the Parent-Junior Golf Tournament at Foothills Golf Course on Saturday, July 28, register by July 24. 303.409.2404; [www.foothillsgolf.org/events](http://www.foothillsgolf.org/events)