

COHOPE

council of homeowners organization for planned environment

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Upcoming Meetings:

Open Space: Mar 7, 6 pm, 700 Jeffco Parkway, Suite 100
Board of County Commissioners Every Tuesday at 8:00 am
Foothills: Mar. 12, 6 pm, The Peak.
Board of Adjustment: 1st & 3rd Wednesday at 9 am, Hearing Room One, 100 Jefferson County Parkway
DRCOG: Mar. 20, 6:30 pm, 1001 17th Street, Aspen/Birch conf room
Planning Commission: 1st, 2nd, 4th, and 5th Wed. 6:15 pm, Hearing Room One, 100 Jefferson County Parkway

Calendar for upcoming meetings: Mar 6 Chris O'Keefe, Director of P&Z April 3 Jim Smith, Golden Real Estate May 1 June 5 July 7 Aug 4 Picnic

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There was no meeting on Feb 6 due to inclement weather and speaker cancelling. Jim Smith has rescheduled for the April 3rd meeting. Here is some information that Diane was going to give out at the meeting.

Information from Jeffco website:

Community Meetings CMT) 1900788 for 5890 S Alkire St attended the meeting on 1/31, is proposal to rezone for a 3 story apt bldg, 64 units, for independent living of 55+ age people, long axis of building running w-e on the parcel, parking lot on the north side of bldg. No direct access into parking lot off of Alkire or Bowles. 35 ft max ht, flat roof. (This is at least the 3rd proposal I've seen for that property in the past 4-5 yrs)

19101270 for 3901 S Kipling Attended the meeting on 2/5... rezoning of Lakehurst Water & Sanitation District property (the hill n. of D'Evelyn Jr/Sr HS) for a 150 ft tall cell tower .

Personal opinion – I'm opposed to this for multiple reasons... huge negative impact on adjacent residential property /residents, etc. The 4 telecom companies involved have known since June 2018 that they had to remove their two 180 ft tall cell towers from the Federal prison property a short distance e. of S Kipling. Now supposedly it is "an emergency" situation for them to hurry up and get this location approved. Scare tactics used in their presentation. I believe they could get the coverage they need in the area with multiple shorter towers in locations that don't negatively impact nearby residential property owners.

Pre-application meetings

19101319 8800 W Jefferson Ave, rezoning to split 4.62 ac lot into 2 parts

19101484 670 S Rooney Rd, rezone from Agricultural to Industrial for Fortress Executive RV/boat storage business

19101516 9956 Remington Pl... site approval for something in that shopping center., 4.263 ac.. didn't see any details on the website last time I checked

Public hearings at the County rezoning hearing for 7500 S Pierce St from PD to Commercial(this is the former Safeway location/vicinity on the SE corner of W Ken Caryl Ave/ S Pierce St)

PC hearing 2/13 6:15 pm, BCC hearing 3/12 8 am

rezoning hearing for 5920 S Estes St - Bowles Village East ODP Amendment 1..... rezone from PD to PD to allow detoxification center with overnt stays , up to 7 beds and clarify that medial & dental offices are allowed uses

Other meetings: FHPRD board meeting: neighborhood pk improvements for Dewey Haberman Memorial Pk, Gov. James B. Grant pk, Blue Herson Pk, Christensen Meadows Pk

they held 4 community meetings to get public input for upcoming work in the following parks: Chaucer Pk, Dakota Station Pk, Valley View Pk, Trappers Glen Pk

Misc. other items: IMPORTANT DEADLINE : Need to send in your questions/concerns/comment on P&Z to COHOPE officers for Chris O'Keefe(Jeffco P&Z Director) by FEBRUARY 21..... I will send him our final list on 2/22.

(we've already received a couple of comments)

Suggestion: Please encourage people in your subdivision to shovel/clear snow from sidewalks... make it safer/easier for pedestrians change in Shopping center on NW corner Kipling/Bowles.. Pizza Hut restaurant location closed. Now in a smaller space and only for delivery/take out. Don't know what will go into the former restaurant space.

COHOPE Treasury Activity: January –February 2019	W. R. Moore, Treasurer
Beginning Balance January 2, 2019	\$ 1796.97
Deposits	\$ 0.00
Withdrawals	\$ 135.97
February Newsletter \$5.50, march newsletter \$5.50	
Bank Fee \$4	
P.O. Box \$88	
Website Fee—\$32.97	
Ending Balance March 6, 2019	\$ 1661.00

COHOPE members - You may be aware that vehicle trespasses have greatly increased in South Jeffco in recent years. Based upon what I've heard and read on social media so far this year the problem seems to have gotten much worse in our area. This problem can't be solved without cooperation and involvement of residents and the assistance of the JCSO. I strongly believe that we need to work together to help solve this problem and improve the quality of life in our neighborhoods. We need to get involved and help JCSO help us.

Some pertinent facts:

Facts (from JCSO's latest Strategic Plan)

- in 2017 882 vehicle trespasses were reported in unincorporated Jeffco
- in 2018 1104 vehicle trespasses were reported in unincorporated Jeffco

Fact (information received from Crime Prevention Deputy on 2/14/19)

To date in 2019 there have been 132 reports taken for criminal trespass to motor vehicle

91 of those in South Jeffco, 17 in North Jeffco and 24 in the Mountains

Some suggested actions for HOAs, Civic Associations and residents to take – discuss this topic at your group's meetings and put an article in your subdivision's newsletter. Remind all of your residents that criminal activity in your neighborhood has a negative impact on all residents in your community and emphasize that the cooperation of everyone is needed to solve this problem.

Residents are strongly encouraged to lock their vehicles, remove valuables and garage door openers from vehicles left outside and close garage doors. Residents are encouraged to call JCSO to report suspicious people/vehicle activity they see in their neighborhood. Residents are encouraged to report all vehicle trespasses/ attempted vehicle trespasses of their vehicles, even if they don't know if anything was taken from them or all they know is somebody attempted to get into their vehicle(s). Please be willing provide JCSO with a copy of any video recording you might have that shows the people/vehicle involved in any vehicles trespass/attempted trespass.

Lets all get involved in encouraging our neighbors to take these simple actions to deter the thieves and protect our quality of life in our neighborhoods. If we all work together, then we'll be part of the solution to this problem that affects all of us either directly or indirectly.

Thank you, Diane Suchomel

THE BACKYARD

Columbine Hills News

President's Corner — Before I start, I feel the need to remind you that this column is written at least three weeks prior to publication, if things are missed – I apologize.

One of the pleasures I have as pres is meeting you folks when I have the opportunity to distribute awards. Way back in December [just a couple of weeks ago actually] I got to meet a number of families and greet them with certificates and gift cards in recognition of their skills in decorating their homes for the Christmas season. It is so nice to congratulate people for their efforts and to thank them for their community involvement. We had a LOT of participation in house decorating. You didn't do it for an award – you did it because you enjoy it. You all said you'd do again next year even if we recognized you or not. That's cool, there are a lot people who do good things just because it's good to do. Thank you. In real time we have not yet had our chili cook-off. But as you read this, I'm sure we had a dozen or so people brave the cold, eat some awesome food and enjoy a time of getting to know your neighbors better. Great! It would be nice if more folks participated. I know it's not for everyone – I get it.

There should be some changes coming to CHCA this year. We are fairly close to getting our website much more functional and user friendly. Soon we'll have the ability for you to donate your dues online, saving you time and postage and paper. We're working hard with Bank of the West to put a program into operation. It's going to cost us money to do it, but the convenience for you will be worth it. Yes, you can still write your check and mail it in – of course – but we are trying to get into the new century, it's just that change is tough. I know some are wary of putting your banking info out there – but none of us are going to enter your account and clean you out. We are setting up policy to prevent that. Collecting on-line registration into CHCA hopefully will make your life easier.

Be the kind of neighbor you wish you had.— *Randy Montgomery, CHCA president, rmontgomery@frcs.org*

Columbine Knolls Voice

From HOA Meeting Minutes from December 11, 2018 President Hale called the Meeting to Order at 7:05pm. Board Members present were Directors Hale, Tierney, Woodbury and Luellen.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: A homeowner had a question with respect to damages and the rocks at the main entrance and a brief discussion was held.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Membership: A discussion was held regarding dues for 2019 and the decision was made, without a formal vote, to keep the dues the same in 2019, though there is some expectation of a modest increase the following year. There is one new member from this month.

A discussion was held regarding vendor discounts and policies. Safety, Beautification, and Maintenance: The main entrance was maintained per previous approvals. A quote will be requested to redo the Lamar entrance.

Covenants and Architectural Control: President Hale reported that last month there were 2 approved PIPSA's, and he noted that the Board continues to enforce the covenants. The two primary issues continue to be trailers and sight distance at the corners.

Special Events: President Hale called for volunteers to help with parties. The first scheduled event will be a sweet-hearts dance at Normandy Elementary on February 15.

Finance: The P&L had been provided to the Board prior to the meeting. Through November, we are ahead of budget on income and slightly lower on expenses.

OLD BUSINESS: A discussion was held regarding the decision to move to a smaller storage unit, or to be able to do without a storage unit all together. The Board agreed volunteers would go through the unit during the period between Christmas and New Year's Day.

President Hale reported he was still looking into a possible move to Google Voice for the HOA's voice mails.

Quotes for the survey were \$183 for a Voice insert and \$150 to go with the dues notice, which are scheduled to go out the last week of December. In either event they would go out to the entire Community. It was agreed that sending the survey with the dues notice was the preferred method.

There was nothing new to report from the nominations committee, though it was noted that nominations could be made from the floor at the annual meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: A homeowner asked if the banners in storage could be placed at each main entrance, which the Board agreed to without a vote.

It was decided, without a vote, that the invitations to new community members would be printed in black and white.

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS: The Board voted to go into Executive Session to discuss advice received from the Board's legal counsel. Executive session commenced at 7:38pm. A discussion on the same was held and the Board voted to leave the Executive Session at 7:54pm.

Upon Motion duly made and seconded, President Hale adjourned the meeting at 7:55 pm.

Columbine Knolls South II Review

From President's Corner— The weather has been very mild so far this winter and has allowed Xcel Energy to do upgrades in our area in case you have not noticed crews working in CKS II. I called Keith Stevens from Excel Energy and he was kind enough to send me the following information about what is happening in our neighborhood. Thanks Keith. "General: Xcel is performing part of our Underground Cable Replacement Program work in your neighborhood. This is a program that is a coordinated effort between our Engineering & Capacity Planning Departments, and Contracting & Utility Services Departments. We utilize contractors and subcontractors to help us accomplish this work which is conducted throughout Xcel's electric service regions.

The region that I manage for this work is the Denver & Boulder Metro, extending from Lyons down to the north end of Castle Rock, and from Nederland out to the east end of Watkins. In that region we annually replace approximately 600,000 feet to 800,000 feet of underground electrical distribution cable. Some of the drivers for what gets replaced are: cable age, cable condition observed during other work, cables that have been damaged, and cables with a history of previous failures. The majority of this work is accomplished via underground boring/ drilling operations. For cable being replaced due to age, the vast majority of what we replace has been in service underground for 35+ years. In cases where it is newer the most frequent cause for replacement is damage resulting in failures, or other construction work necessitating us to re-route or re-run the cable at a deeper depth. These electrical cables can be repaired and have a good serviceable life expectancy. However, after more than one repair they become a higher risk for future failure, and we monitor them for replacement.

Your Neighborhood: The attached print shows the rough approximation of how the electrical distribution cable runs through your neighborhood, it is about 4,000 feet in length, and was installed at the time of the neighborhood's original layout and construction (~1980). Approximately 3,000 feet of the distribution cable serving your neighborhood was replaced in 2016 and has since had no recorded failures. We are replacing the last remaining old cable, approximately 1,000 feet, for which there were 5 recorded failures, which in conjunction with the cable age prompted replacement. The colored locate flags that our customer's see in their yards represent the existing underground utilities which we are legally required to locate. Red – electric; Yellow – gas; Blue – water; Purple – Irrigation; Orange – Communications; Green – sewer. Once our work is complete we restore our customer's properties, and the easements that we worked in, back to

the condition they were in upon our arrival. In areas where we have dug into grass during the winter, we will try to put the sections of removed sod back in place, and will return in the spring (typically beginning around Mother's day) to replace the damaged sections of grass with fresh sod. Overall these efforts aim to replace old cables with reduced reliability, and histories of failure/ outages, and provide new cable that should last another 35+ years. I hope I have answered your questions and provided some good info for yourself and your neighbors. Please let me know if I can answer anything else for you and please do not hesitate to bring any concerns you have regarding our work to my attention." Thanks. —*Bob Haberkorn, President CKSII HOA*

Columbine West Civic Association Newsletter

From A Moment With The Board The January 15th meeting was held at Dutch Creek Elementary. Thank you to those neighbors who stopped by and shared some thoughts and brownies. An idea was presented to potentially highlight through a series of short articles, the Military neighbors listed in our Columbine West Veterans box. What a great idea. Therefore we will be asking for anyone who is currently listed to drop a short message to us via CWCAtalk@gmail.com. We would encourage you to include any details that you feel comfortable sharing. Or maybe how the serviced helped you get a career, spouse, travel or even volunteer aspects. If you would like to talk with the Editor directly please call 303-904-3301. The 2019 Proposed Budget was presented for final review and with a couple corrections was passed unanimously by the Officers/Board. The budget still includes annual favorites such as Easter Egg Hunt, Dumpster Day, Swim Nights & National Night Out. 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 next one is January 15th at 7:00pm, Dutch Creek Elementary School, second Tuesday of the Month. This month we would like to encourage anyone who has volunteered or is interested in volunteering to join us.

The Leawood Reporter

From Leawood Civic Association Minutes of Jan. 9, 2019— Board Members Present: Paul O'Connor, Chip and Angela Langowski, Mike Karbach, Debby Baker (via phone), Rhonda Eveleth, Nancy Bock, Richard White and resident Renee White.

Treasurer's Report: Mike presented the Treasurer's Report, which included LCA current balances, payments received, and bills paid.

Holiday Lights Contest: Winners were: First Place - 5869 W. Fair Dr.; Second Place - 5575 W. Leawood Dr.; and Third Place - 6296 S. Grey Ct. The winners received gift cards for \$40, \$30 and \$25 respectively.

Reporter: Renee White has graciously taken on the job of Editor until they move later this year. LCA needs to continue the search for an Editor to take over from Renee.

New Activity Banners: The banners used to announce activities need to be replaced. The activity banners are: (1) Membership Drive; (2) Easter Egg Hunt; (3) Annual Picnic; and (4) Santa Party. Debby will ask the original vender to provide an estimate.

LCA Membership Drive: Membership forms will be put in the February, March and April issues of the Reporter and flyers will be mailed in May. Chip estimated that 50% of the membership fees were paid online. LCA needs more residents to become members.

New Board Members Needed: The need for new Board Members is becoming critical and threatens the survival of the LCA. We have only 8 Board Members and as Members leave, new Members must be found.

Jay Court Entrance: The source of water for the entrance has become unreliable. The Board discussed other landscaping using materials that do not require watering. Landscaping materials suggested included rock and planters with artificial flowers.

Leawood Santa Party: The Santa Party was a success. Santa and Mrs. Clause handed out over 120 Santa Bells and candy canes.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm

From Leawood Metropolitan Recreation and Park District Minutes January 16, 2019 The Board meeting was called to order at 6:38 pm at Leawood Elementary School by President Kyle Sargent. Members present were: Donna Snyder /Treasurer, Debby Baker/Director, Linda Smith/Vice President and Dave Padilla/Parks Manager.

Public Comment/Correspondence – Donna was approached by a resident requesting several items of the board, including a bench in Weaver Park and trimming in the park.

Treasurer's Report – Donna presented the Treasurer's report. No property tax income has been received to date. Funds have been transferred from Colotrust fund expenses until income arrives. This is a normal event at the beginning of each year. Invoices for the month include: Denver Water, doggie bag vendor, United Site Services, Rich Alarcon for trash removal, Waste Management, professional liability insurance invoice, Excel, snow removal invoice, Dave's invoice and reimbursement to petty cash.

Parks Manager Report – Dave removed snow for two events this month so far. Doggie bags were checked and replenished as needed. Dave talked to a contractor regarding replacing boards on the Weaver Park west bridge. We are waiting for a more specific estimate, although it's expected to cost close to \$10,000. Once we have the first estimate, we will

then decide on removal of all boards or replacement of the most damaged ones. He is still pricing fencing at Kendall Park. We are still waiting on pricing on the Fibar for the playground at Leawood Park.

Old Business – Resignation of Jennifer Dawe from the Board – The board has accepted Jennifer's resignation, and will be looking for a replacement for this board position that will expire in 2022. Interested residents are to call Kyle Sargent (303) 520-6617 or contact a board member. Board members must be a resident property owner in the District.

Survey in Nextdoor.com for play equipment for Weaver Park – No new information.

The meeting was adjourned 7:58pm.— *Linda Smith, Vice President and Acting Secretary*

Posting location: District Board's agendas are posted by the Clerk to the Jefferson County Board of Commissioners board.

Woodbourne

From Notes From the Board President The January Board meeting was held on January 16, 2019. The Board is preparing for a new year. We made it through January. We survived the cold, snowstorms, and the Super Blood Wolf Moon. Now we are into February, the Super Bowl, and into full hockey season.

This month, we celebrate Valentine's Day, a day traditionally associated with romantic love. In this season of romantic love, it is important to note we have other types of love available to support our relationships with each other. As we go through our daily lives, we should take time to remember that we can be considerate to our neighbors in many ways. We are all fortunate to live in such a wonderful community. While we have all agreed to live by the HOA rules and covenants, we should go further in our relationship with our neighbors. In a time where incivility seems to abound, it is a good for us to come home to a community of shared harmony. How we treat our family and neighbors reflects our character more than words ever can.

The Board is here to serve the community and to fulfill this function it needs volunteers from the community. In the past month, we had two Board members resign. If you would like to serve on the Board, or have questions, please feel free to contact any current Board member. There will also be opportunities to join the Board at the annual meeting in April.

Our next Board meeting will be held on February 20, 2019, at 7:00pm at the Clubhouse. Please contact Emily Baker with Management Specialists at 720-974-4235 with any questions.— *James Meyer, President*

Woodbury Hills

Happy Valentine's Day! February is the month of LOVE, so a loving response is requested! At any time in a neighborhood of 158 homes, there is bound to be a family in distress or in need of a little help. Perhaps it is because of the birth of a new baby, a critically ill child, a death in the family, or the loss of employment. These things can happen to any of us. I am certain that the sharing of meals is already happening neighbor-to-neighbor on a small scale basis; however, as your board president I am interested in setting up and maintaining a "Meal Train" for all of Woodbury Hills in general. Here's how it would work: Those of you who are willing to participate, by agreeing to provide a meal to a family in need, would contact me and provide your e-mail address. You would then be alerted of every opportunity to help a neighbor in need. You are free to opt "in" or "out" as your personal situation allows.

Whenever one of our neighbors encounters a situation where they could benefit from receiving a prepared meal, they would contact me and provide general information about the need and what might be helpful. They would need to provide their e-mail address, physical address, phone number, number of people in the family needing to be fed (along with any food allergies or preferences) and the day(s) meals would be most needed.

I would then set up an account for them on Meal Train.com. All involved parties would receive an email from Meal Train alerting them of the need. People who are willing to help would simply follow the link and sign up for a particular meal, day and time. All parties for that specific meal would receive notification and reminders from Meal Train. The specifics are individually worked out between the provider and the family in need.

As mentioned, providers are welcome to opt "in" or "out" for any particular request, however, the more people who participate, the less often any one provider might feel called upon.

During this month of LOVE, I welcome and encourage your participation! You can contact me at the email below. In other news, all holiday decorations should be safely stored away by now.

Don't forget that snow must be shoveled within 24 hours of a storm. Thanks to those who help out their neighbors in need.— *Deb Ellis, President Debellis3@comcast.net*

A New Term - Looking Back and Leading Forward—by Sheriff Jeff Shrader A new year is often viewed as a fresh start, an opportunity to make improvements and face challenges, both in our personal lives and professional. For me, this January marks the beginning of my second term in office and I am fortunate to be able to continue our efforts to ensure Jefferson County is a safe place for all people to live, learn, work, and play. During my first term we made many improvements while also overcoming some challenges and I expect to do the same over the next four years.

One of the challenges I faced personally during my first term was clearing up some confusion regarding my professional role. A few years ago my granddaughter, who was three at the time, spent the night at our house. The next morning she saw me in uniform for the first time and promptly asked "Grandpa are you going to the circus?" So it would seem.



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The scheduled March 6th meeting speaker will be Chris O'Keefe of Jeffco Planning and Zoning. The meeting will be at Sheriff's South Service Center (11139 Bradford Rd) at 7 pm.

Since then, I have embraced the notion that law enforcement is a circus of sorts and I have a front row seat to the greatest show on earth. Sometimes I even feel like the ringleader. While I trust you understand the role of law enforcement better than my granddaughter, there is still potential for miscommunication and misunderstanding, a challenge we strive to overcome through transparency. Therefore, I would like to share some of the challenges we face and the improvements we have and will continue to make to address those challenges.

Since 2014, crime has increased in unincorporated Jefferson County by approximately 25%. We have also seen reported increases in substance abuse, mental illness, and homelessness during the same time-frame. Often these conditions co-occur with individuals, complicating their interactions with law enforcement and the community. Approximately 300 individuals are booked into the jail each month with substance addictions that require a withdrawal protocol, and 15 - 17% of the jail population has a mental health issue. As a result, the sheriff's office has implemented programs to help address these challenges. In Patrol we utilize a co-responder model that partners mental health professionals with law enforcement. Two case managers from the Jefferson Center for Mental Health train deputies in de-escalation techniques, manage individuals with a history of law enforcement contacts, and respond alongside deputies to calls related to mental illness when necessary. In addition, 46% of our patrol deputies are certified in crisis intervention to better manage incidents with individuals suffering from mental health issues.

In Detentions we have established a new Behavioral Health Unit that houses inmates with substance abuse or mental health issues. The BHU offers a series of programs, activities and therapies that can be continued outside the jail with the goal of preventing an inmate's return. We also introduced Vivitrol in the jail. Vivitrol is a medication assisted treatment that blocks opioid cravings, prevents relapses, and significantly reduces recidivism for those who participate in the voluntary program. To date, seven inmates have received the medication prior to their release and have been provided with follow-up medical appointments and resources to help ensure their success.

In addition, we were recently awarded a \$700,000 grant from the Department of Justice for a multi-year re-entry program that will assess and manage inmates with co-occurrence of substance abuse and mental health issues. Case management for qualifying inmates includes plans focusing on needs for housing, transportation, education, medical, mental health, and substance addiction. The re-entry program is also intended to reduce recidivism for a significant portion of the 95% of inmates who re-enter the community upon their release from jail.

These initiatives are just some of the steps we have taken to address the challenges our community faces in terms of substance abuse and mental health. These efforts will continue and many more will begin during my second term as ringleader. We will face the challenges, make more improvements, and continue to offer you a front row seat through our transparency. Until the next Behind the Badge, I encourage you to take a few minutes to review our five-year Strategic Plan that outlines our goals and objectives through 2023. The plan is available on our website at JCSO Strategic Plan.