

COHOPE

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Upcoming Meetings:
 Open Space: Sept 6, 7 pm, 700 Jeffco Parkway, Suite 100
 Board of County Commissioners Every Tuesday at 8:00 am
 Foothills: Sept. 25 6 pm, The Peak.
 Board of Adjustment: 1st & 3rd Wednesday at 9 am, Hearing Room One, 100 Jefferson County Parkway
 DRCOG: Sept 19, 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: September— Nancy Kellogg, JeffCo Partners in Energy Group Oct Nov

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COHOPE Treasury Activity: August 2018	W. R. Moore, Treasurer
Beginning Balance August 1, 2018	\$ 1963.63
Deposits	\$ 0.00
Withdrawals	\$ 77.16
Website Fee \$32.97 Bank Fee \$2	
Colorado Yearly filing \$10	
Picnic—Drinks and chicken \$37.19	
Ending Balance September 5, 2018	\$ 1886.47

Attendance: Diane Suchomel / At Large, Cheri Paavola / At Large, Ray Moore & Al Hintz/ Kipling Hills, Ralph & Pat Miller / Columbine Hills Civic Assn., Mary Parker / At Large, Maureen Sielaff / At Large Peggy Catlin / RTD District N incumbent, Casper Stockham / Congressional District 1 candidate, George Stern / Jefferson County Clerk & Recorder candidate, Annette Cannan / Jefferson County Coroner candidate, Scott Kersgaard / Jefferson County Assessor candidate, Lesley Dahlkemper / Jefferson County Commissioner candidate, Jeff Shrader / Jefferson County Sheriff incumbent, Tom Waldon / Jefferson County Coroner candidate, Todd Kastetter / State Representative House District 22 candidate, Tina Francone / Jefferson County Commissioner incumbent.

The meeting started at 6:00 p.m.
Diane Suchomel, Vice President, welcomed everyone.
 Our Aug. 1 Picnic was at 6:00 p.m. at Shelter 6. The candidates present were Peggy Catlin / RTD District N incumbent, Casper Stockham / Congressional District 1 candidate, George Stern / Clerk & Recorder candidate, Annette Cannan/ Jefferson County Coroner candidate, Scott Kersgaard / Jefferson County Assessor candidate, Lesley Dahlkemper / Jefferson County Commissioner candidate, Jeff Shrader / Jefferson County Sheriff incumbent, Tom Waldon / Jefferson County Coroner candidate, Todd Kastetter / State Representative House District 22 candidate, and Tina Francone / Jefferson County Commissioner incumbent.
 Peggy Catlin, RTD District N incumbent, filled Tina Francone's vacancy 3 1/2 months ago. She knows that the service in our area is sparse but is trying to keep our current services. She has lived in Jefferson County for 34 years. She has a lot of transit experience including 11 years as the Deputy Executive Director of CDOT, in private business, involvement in the Union Station Project, and a Consulting business in Project and Engineering.
 Casper Stockham Congressional District 1 candidate, is running against Diane DeGette. He ran 2 years ago and got 28% of the vote. He is trying again. He thinks that the black and Hispanic communities are underserved. On education, he said that there is a 40 - 50% drop out rate. He said that the teachers need more money. The economy is doing well, but not in the inner city. Teachers need to demonstrate how to get, keep, and exceed at a job. He is doing projects now. If elected, he will expand them. Other issues that he supports are empowerment, empathy, and doing a better job with the elderly and disabled.
 George Stern, Jefferson County Clerk & Recorder candidate, has been an Attorney Business Consultant and Firefighter. He wants to make sure that local government is working for their community. He supports innovating and modernizing.

He wants to modernize the DMV. He wants elections to be secure.

Annette Cannan, Jefferson County Coroner candidate, has lived here for 38 years. She is a registered nurse. She now works as an educator and is teaching research. She has a LOT of medical knowledge.

Scott Kersgaard, Jefferson County Assessor candidate, supports fair and accurate value. At this time 5% are appealed. He thinks this percentage should be reduced. He wants better communication. He has worked as a Realtor for 15 years. He took and passed his Assessor's test. He owns his own business.

Lesley Dahlkemper, Jefferson County Commissioner candidate, said that there are more than 570K residents in Jefferson County. He has been here for 23 years. One issue he sees is skyrocketing house prices. He is a proponent of Open Space. He thinks we should preserve it. We have a thriving economy which includes the following industries: aerospace, aviation, beverage, outdoor activities, and mom and pop shops. He thinks that public safety is important. He has a family justice initiative to combat abuse and neglect for children and the elderly. He owns his own business.

Jeff Shrader, Jefferson County Sheriff incumbent, said that he has no opponent. In the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department, there are 571 deputies, 254 staff members, and 250 volunteers. In the county jail, they have about 2,000 bookings. Of those about 300 bookings per month have opioid dependencies. In May, 2018 there were 445 people with drug issues. And this reflects what is going on in the community. Deputies now carry Narcam. They have saved 3 lives this month. They provide Moral Reasoning training. They are hiring deputies. On Aug. 25 they will have the 2nd Annual Cops with Classic Cars.

Tom Waldon, Jefferson County Coroner candidate, has been an investigator since 2012. He said that the Coroner needs experience, needs investigative skills, and needs to be timely and accurate. There are about 13 deaths every day. The Coroner needs to determine the manner and cause of each person's death. He has experience as a Paramedic and oversaw 45 EMTs. He has been a small business operator. He was a Deputy Coroner. He is certified by the Coroner's Association. He worked on the Mass Mortality Plan. He supports suicide prevention and child brutality prevention. He asked for our vote.

Todd Kastetter, State Representative House District 22 candidate, said that he has never ran for an office before. He has been a small business owner. He now works in Trust Estates and Elder laws. He is a lawyer. He has lived in Jefferson County for 26 years. His focus is on achievement. Laws affect businesses, lives, and our community.

Tina Francone, Jefferson County Commissioner incumbent, is the incumbent. He is a wife, lawyer, and small business owner. In 2014 she was elected to the RTD District N position. In January 2017 she filled the vacancy left by Don Rosier. She believes that strong leadership is needed at the county level. She wants us to let her know what we think is good and what needs improvement. The commissioners are currently reviewing housing and County Planning. The budget needs to be streamlined with a look to our priorities. She supports the completion of the Jefferson County Parkway. Issues include potholes, curbs, gutters, and bike paths. She is a small government gal. She asked for our vote and contributions.



Peggy Catlin



Casper Stockham



George Stern



Annette Cannan

Scott Kersgaard,



Lesley Dahlkemper
- Cheri Paavola



Jeff Shrader



Tom Waldon



Todd Kastetter



Tina Francone

THE BACKYARD

Columbine Hills News

President's Corner — I don't know about you, but I don't mind some of the heat of summer. My tomatoes really like it. They are about 6 foot tall. I wouldn't mind some natural moisture, my yard is parched. It's August and I hate to mention the "S" word because I'm a teacher and have mixed feelings about getting back into the classroom this year especially – I'm retiring after 40+ years of teaching Chemistry. So, get out there and enjoy these few weeks of freedom in our great state.

You know I usually talk about being a good neighbor – well let me tell you. My neighbor Ray really came through this last week. I had some yard work that needed doing and he volunteered his pick-up and time to help me. And another neighbor Brian gave me the needed supplies. I'm soooo grateful for the good people here in Columbine Hills. So – huge shout out to Ray and Brian, thanks for being good neighbors.

Lastly, I really do wish more of you could join us in CHCA. We endeavor to keep things friendly and neat. Your donation to CHCA helps to print the newsletter and helps us to fund events for you. Please, come to our board meetings (they are open to all residents) and share your ideas and concerns. Be watching for coming events – we're hosting a "Back to School" at our park soon and we've rescheduled dumpster day for the fall. (Lies Waste Systems PROMISED me that they will be here this time on time) I love our neighborhood. Be the kind of neighbor you wish you had. — *Randy Montgomery, CHCA president, rmontgomery@frcs.org*

From July 7th CHCA Board Meeting—Meeting called to order at 9:05 am Officers present Randy, Pat, Jenn. Board members present Ruth, Michaelle, Ralph, Steve, Kelly. Community members present Janet, Dee, Carol. CHCA by-laws require a majority of board members [5 of 9] to accomplish business.

Treasures report presented by Pat Miller.

Old business: Membership status – Pat, 250 or more. Yard Sale Day report – Jenn. Has anyone seen the banner that was up on Kendall? Great response!

Dumpster day confirmed Oct 6th. Randy checking with ARC about furniture pickup.

Hayride – checking into trailer and tractor – and insurance needed to use.

New business: Xeric Garden – trying to work with Foothills to get more trees to give cover for playground.

Yard of the month – Jenn and Kelly bringing nominations for next month for the southern two quadrants

Meeting about Safeway parking lot – meeting was on June 21st at St Philip Church – lots of discussion about what was coming in. With the current people who are proposing to build, they do not build residential – the development will be all commercial. However, there is lots of companies right behind the current developer that are wanting to put in multifamily housing. If you want a particular vendor to come in, the developer is encouraging you to go to the vendors website and encourage them to reach out to the developer. Here is the company's website. Please go and give them feed back – www.cadencecap.com.

Sept 8th – Columbine Center Community Festival – Jenn calling to get booth for CHCA.

To put in a complaint about a neighbors yard or a jeffco violation go to <https://entrprise.jeffco.us/> and click file a complaint. Community members are complaining about a rat problem – as well as neighbors not respecting each others properties.

Back to school bash – August 18th – 4-6pm – Hot dogs, chips, lemonade, iced tea, bouncy castle, ice cream, face painting. Meeting adjourned at 10:07.

COLUMBINE KNOLLS VOICE

From June 12 Board Meeting Minutes—Vice President Tierney called the Meeting to Order at 7:08 p.m. Board Members present were Directors McClish, Tierney, Wambsganns, Wilcox and Woodbury.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: MEMBERSHIP Wilcox reported that the HOA now has 328 Members.

SAFETY, BEAUTIFICATION AND MAINTENANCE Director Whitelaw sent a message of Thanks to all the volunteer homeowners who helped clean up the entrances to our beautiful subdivision.

COVENANTS AND ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL Director Woodbury pointed out that at least one homeowner who's hearing date was scheduled for May 9th has requested the date be extended 30 days and will ask to be heard in Small Claims Court. Homeowner will be represented by counsel.

SPECIAL EVENTS/PROGRAMS - Director Wilcox explained why the truck for Clean-Up Day scheduled for June was not available. The vendor made an error and refunded the HOA the fee that was paid. Clean-Up Day has been rescheduled for September 15, 2018.

The 4th of July Bike Parade is to go on as scheduled. Come watch the kids parade around the ball fields at Marker Park! This year we will have one of the Denver Nuggets Community Ambassadors , Mark Randall, will be on-site signing autographs and handing out cards to the kids.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer McClish reviewed the monthly and year-todate financials and pointed out that

the HOA is within the current budget. Current financial information may be viewed on the HOA's website. Treasurer McClish also noted that she will be leaving soon and is willing to train the volunteer that will be replacing her. The Board is still seeking a volunteer for this important Board position.

WELCOMING COMMITTEE: The Committee continues to add gifts to the bags they deliver to all new homeowners in Columbine Knolls.

NEW BUSINESS: HomeOwners Association Board Meetings will be held at the old Church for All Nations building located at 6500 W Coal Mine Avenue. Many thanks to the current members of this organization! We hope to hold our meetings here for the next three (3) months. Director Woodbury moved that we make a \$75.00 donation to the church for allowing us to use the space. Motion was approved. Treasurer McClish will issue a check from the HOA's account.

Director Woodbury moved that Columbine Knolls HomeOwners Association retain our counsel to represent the HOA in the above mentioned Small Claims Court action. Motion was approved.

MEETING ADJOURNED @ 7:46 PM.

Columbine Knolls South II Review

From President's Corner— We had a board meeting on July 10th. Thanks to all the board members and staff for attending and a special thanks to two homeowners for attending and sharing their thoughts. They were Darlene Fraser who has been a resident for 35 years and Sarah Bailey a new resident.

Please plan on attending the Movie in the Park and all the festivities on Thursday August 9th from 6 to 10 pm. It should be a great time with food trucks and a shaved ice truck. There will also be a band, yard games, popcorn, and glow sticks.

The glow sticks will be sold by Coronado Elementary for the new playground initiative. Lots of fun will be had by all.

Something we should ALL be aware of is the temporary Fire Ban by the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office whether it be for a recreational event or just around our own homes. A fine of not more than \$600 can be issued if you violate the prohibitions and are convicted. Basically, 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." Prohibited items are charcoal grills, tiki torches, fire pits, sky lanterns, chiminea (a freestanding front loading fireplace with a vertical chimney), fireworks, smoking (except within an enclosed vehicle, building, or designated smoking area), trash burn, chain saw without a USDA or SAE approved spark arresting device, and other torches such as a welder. So please be very, very careful not to make a mistake and start a fire by being careless. For more information go to <https://www.jeffco.us/528/Fire-Ban-Details>.

A lot of yards are still looking good even with the stress of the heat and rabbits eating holes in the grass. Keep up the great job of making our neighborhood look in tip-top shape. My normal reminder of course is please place your trash containers out of sight within a day after your waste company picks up your trash.

Our next HOA meeting is on Tuesday, September 11th, at Coronado Elementary at 7 pm. Come and give us your feedback on what is going well and what we can do to make our community a great place to live. Again, do not forget to come and enjoy the Movie in the Park and all the festivities on Thursday, August 9th, from 6 to 10 pm. —Thanks,—*Bob Haberkorn, President CKSII HOA*

From July 10, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes President, Bob Haberkorn called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

Board members Bob Haberkorn, Debbie Opperman, Bob Pellegrini, Steve Kalney, Joshua Kunkal, Pam Horiszny, and Chris Reynolds were in attendance along with Roger Borchering of DARCO Property Management.

Treasurer's Report: Debbie reported the HOA currently has 349 members.

ACC Committee: There were approximately 30 new requests. There is one outstanding ACC Committee request to expand a garage (waiting to get more information such as drawings/designs. Josh to follow up.) We will add Steve and Josh's phone numbers to the newsletter to ensure people can call if they have questions. Bob P. suggested that he is ready to resume as lead on ACC Forms. Josh and Steve will resume their roles as support and provide second opinions as needed.

Management Report: Three inspections were conducted in June. Thirty-nine (39) Notices were issued. There were 16 RVs stored in view: 9 campers, 6 boats, and 1 trailer. Two houses need paint: 1 the garage door and the other the frame above the garage door. Ten lawns had dry grass (all have been corrected); 3 lawns had spots with bare dirt which are in the process of being corrected; and 4 properties had weeds in rocks or flower beds (all have been corrected). Two properties had a dead tree. One corner property had a large bush obstructing the view of oncoming traffic which has been corrected. There were six property sales in the last month and three properties currently for sale.

Welcome Committee: Jennifer Blake and team delivered five welcome baskets in June. Baskets include gift cards from vendors in the neighborhood.

Social Committee: Amy Kowalski said they were on budget for the Bike and Car show. Next year they are considering Sunday afternoon to drive more participation and adding motorcycles to the car show. They will also get two bouncy houses.

The Movie in the Park will be on Thursday August 9th. Voting for the movie has started (on Nextdoor). It will start around 6pm with the movie playing around 8:30-9pm. We are expecting 1-2 food trucks, shaved ice, popcorn, yard games, and a band.

Note about Garage Sale – we had very low participation this year. Some thought it might be because other communities do their sales at the same weekend. Considering changing to a week earlier or later.

New Business: We had a request from a homeowner for help with rabbits that are damaging the lawns. Suggested calling Jefferson County animal control for advice.

Josh contacted the County to discuss a dangerous Tree/Fence on the corner of Carr St and W Moraine street. Awaiting feedback from them and will keep us posted.

Barb suggested that the Board members could provide articles for the monthly newsletter. Debbie will provide the next article (Trash Talk) as the first article.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Columbine West Civic Association Newsletter

From A Moment With The Board The July 11th monthly meeting was held at the Columbine West pool pavilion. Thank you to those who attended and gave of your time. Currently we have 355 memberships supporting the 2018 Budget, that is 94% of our goal. The direct link to get to PayPal is www.neighborhoodlink.com/Columbine_West/pages/39993. We encourage residents to become paid members and help support all the events and activities that happen within Columbine West. Dumpster Day was a huge success again this year as we collected 6,380 lbs of metal, compared to 5080 lbs in 2017. It is wonderful to see neighbors recycling all these discarded resources that can be put back into use instead of just being dumped in the landfill. August will bring back the National Night Out event, scheduled for the 7th, to be held at the pool pavilion & park. CWCA will be hosting the event alongside Shiloh House and Target. There will be food, games and raffles throughout the evening. We are looking forward to seeing some of our local Law Enforcement along with Fire Dept representation. The Girls Scout Troop that meets at Dutch Creek Elementary worked on their Bronze Award by installing a new bench, some Hosta plants and stepping stones in the garden bed located at Yukon/ Coal Mine. Thank you girls for your hard work and continued efforts in contributing back into the neighborhood. As a continued reminder to all residents, Columbine West is a 'Chicken free' neighborhood. The covenants are very specific and 'do not' allow them within the neighborhood. The CWCA continues to get reports of chickens residing in the neighborhood and these homeowners can expect a Violation Letter. With all the comments about neighbors having to deal with a new rat infestation, chicken feed has been reported to bring more rats around. Jeffco has also reported recently about an uptick in skunks and raccoons testing positive for rabies in neighboring communities. Let us all work together to try our best in curbing attractants within the neighborhood. It is important to remember that any homeowner/ renter in Columbine West is governed by the covenants. If you need a copy you can contact CWCAtalk@gmail.com. The Welcome Committee volunteers each month to deliver a packet of goodies to each new resident. If you have questions or any suggestion of ideas feel free to email CWCAtalk@gmail.com.

The Leawood Reporter

From Leawood Civic Association Minutes of July 10, 2018 Board Members Present: Mike Karbach, Chip and Angela Langowski, Debby Baker.

Treasurer's Report: Mike presented the Treasurer's Report, which included LCA current account balances, payments received, and bills paid. Mike reported that we are starting to receive RSVPs for the picnic.

Jay Court Entrance: The drip system is not working due to a water main break. Jefferson County has been bringing in water for the plants two times a week and will continue to do so until the drip system is working. With the heat, watering twice a week has not been enough, especially for the east side which receives full sun all day. LCA Board members will bring water for the plants on other days. Rhonda will put on Facebook a request for residents to help in watering the plants.

2018 Membership Drive: Memberships continue to trickle in. Chip will process the memberships and provide an updated count at the August meeting.

2018 Annual Picnic: Moe's Original Bar-B-Q will be providing food again this year. Front Range Inflatables has been contracted for the bouncy Castle Obstacle Course and sno-cone machine. Littleton Fire Department has agreed to allow Engine #13 to participate again this year. Chip is having surgery so will be limited on what he can do. We will need more help. A request for help will be in the August Reporter. The Board will meet again on Monday, July 16th for further discussions and assignments.

Meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

From Leawood Metropolitan Recreation and Park District Minutes July 11, 2018 The meeting was called to order at 6:39 PM at Leawood Park by President Kyle Sargent. Members present were: Directors Donna Snyder/Treasurer, Debby Baker/Director, Jennifer Dawe/Secretary, Linda Smith/Vice President and Dave Padilla/Parks Manager.

Public Comment/Correspondence – A Leawood resident (wanted to remain anonymous) attended the meeting to discuss a few items/concerns: 1) Will the new potential development at 5234 W. Leawood Drive become a part of the Leawood Park District? The project developer told Kyle that, yes, they intend to join our park district. Kyle has also submitted a letter to Jefferson County Planning and Zoning requesting that the development be required to join the Leawood Park

District. 2) Mowing of native grasses in Weaver Park. Native grasses are mowed 3 times a season, unless more is required. A mowing is scheduled for Saturday, July 14th, the 2nd of the season. 3) Thank you for work done on the concrete repair in Weaver Park!

Leawood resident Mike Armbruster also attended the meeting to discuss rentals of Leawood sports/athletic fields. Mike and the Board discussed costs, and reservations.

Treasurer's Report – Donna presented the Treasurer's Report. Invoices for the month include: Weston, Xcel, Denver Water, United Site Services (port-a-potties), Horizon, Waste Management, new Coyote signs, LCA (Reporter) and Dave's invoice. Linda moved the Treasurer's report be received and bills paid, Debby seconded, and the motion passed without objection.

Parks Manager Report – Dave reported that several willow trees in Raccoon Park need trimming, and recently a willow tree fell over, completely blocking the path. Dave trimmed the fallen tree so that people could walk around it temporarily. Urban Drainage will remove the tree and trim the others on Friday, July 13th. Dave reported that the sprinkler boxes on the east end of Raccoon Park have been repaired but will need to be replaced to keep the system running. He is also looking at adding a line to get water to newer trees. This would provide direct water for new trees as they are planted to replace trees as they die or are removed. Currently, watering by hand is required. Dave will continue to work with Urban Drainage to address tree concerns in Raccoon Park. He is also reviewing the wood sections on the concrete path to ensure safety.

Old Business - The Board asked Kim Holland, a landscape architect, to design a landscaping plan for the area around the signs at the far east wooden bridge in Weaver Park. Kim presented her landscaping design to the Board. Her design included many native plants that would be drought tolerant once established. Dave & Jennifer will work with Kim. The meeting was adjourned 8:07 p.m.—*Jennifer Dawe, Director, Secretary*

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

Williamsburg II

From Neighborhood News HOA Updates: The weather for the Bike Parade was perfect. The EMTs were at the emergency room, then rushed right over to lead the parade with lights and sirens! The kids got stickers and popsicles, and an invitation to the Family Fire Muster on Sept 22. 10-2 at the West Metro Fire and Rescue Training Center. 3535 S. Kipling St. (Parking and shuttle at D'Evelyn High School). Be sure to check the Williamsburg 2 Group page for updates.

New Treasurer: Many thanks to Jeff Talmadge for serving as treasurer of the HOA over the years. He has recently moved, so now Mark Hickman has stepped up to handle the HOA finances and Paypal Account.

New Social Committee Chairs: A big thank you to Jessica Clark for all her hard work on the social committee. She has been the coordinator over the years for the sleigh ride, bike parade, neighborhood parties and more. She has put a lot of time and effort into coordinating and planning events for everyone to enjoy. She has turned the torch over to Laura Blakey and Jen Ray who will be coming up with some new ideas for the future!

Trash Day-Reminder: to everyone about the big blue trash cans. Please don't leave them out in the street other than the night before pick up and then please bring them in and store behind your fence after trash day is over. They can blow over and spread trash, animals get in them and they can stink. They are not supposed to be kept in front of the house other than on trash day. Your attention to this is greatly appreciated! If you're out of town, be sure to ask a neighbor for help!

Greens Committee: Thank you to the neighbors who helped with the front entrance cleanup! The area around the bulletin board was also cleaned out and mulched. Someone recently mowed in front of the entrance area-so a big thank you to that person! And also, thank you so much to Deb Clark for putting so much work and effort into coordinating all the cleanups. You're the best! The North pond is looking nice too with community effort of trimming trees and weekly weeding. It takes a village sometimes to keep things cleaned up and tidy!

Woodbourne

From Notes From the Board The July Board meeting was held on July 18, 2018. There are several community projects and other topics that were discussed at the meeting. It is hard to believe that the summer is almost over. The first day of school for Jefferson County is August 16, 2018. The lifeguard coverage and pool availability hours will change on August 16. The hours are posted in the pool rules, and we will send out an email blast with the revised pool hours once we get closer to the change. Please remember that when school does start, there will be a number of children traveling to and from school. Some of the older kids may be driving to school. Others are not as old and will be walking to school. It is important to note that pedestrians in the crosswalks have the right-of-way. Sometimes it is tempting to look away from the road for whatever reason, but with heavier than normal pedestrian and vehicle traffic that could have negative consequences.

We are moving forward with the Fremont Street project, and the Board expects that it will be completed within the next

few months. Some residents have indicated that it would be nice to have the restrooms refreshed. This fall, the Board will be exploring options for giving the restrooms a new look for the next pool season. In the spirit of serving the community, the Board is always open to suggestions of operational or community improvement. Please feel free to let the Board know of your ideas to improve our community.—*James Meyer, President*

From Jeffco Website—An Introduction to the Urban Drainage and Flood Control District—Being prepared for floods is critical. The Urban Drainage and Flood Control District (UDFCD) partners with metro cities and counties to design and construct flood control and warning measures, open space, regional paths, and remove trash and debris in our streams. The UDFCD has put out a new video to explain a little more about their mission and primary functions – to improve the quality of life in the metro area by protecting its three million people, its property and environment. See the video from the UDFCD on Vimeo >>

Established by the Colorado legislature in 1969, UDFCD covers an area of 1608 square miles and includes Denver, parts of the six surrounding counties, and all or parts of 33 incorporated cities and towns. The UDFCD runs on a \$30 million annual budget with only 32 employees. Contracting out the work keeps overhead low, costs down, and ensures all the jobs stay local.

The UDFCD provides services related to floodplain mapping, flood safety, new developments, planning, design, construction, and maintenance for municipalities and residents within the UDFCD boundary.

You can find out more on the UDFCD on their website, udfcd.org.

Help Us Create Our Community's Future—We want your feedback on how to create our community's future! Do you have ideas or comments on development in Jefferson County?

This is your opportunity to give the county feedback as we explore potential updates to the county's Comprehensive Master Plan. You can give your feedback online and/or in person at several upcoming open houses.

If providing feedback online, please take the survey that is on the county's Planning and Zoning Plan Updates web page. The deadline to comment is September 20.

If you want to come and chat with staff, attend one of the several open houses scheduled this fall. The open houses will be 6–8 p.m. and the same information will be presented at each location.

Tuesday, Aug. 21: Jefferson County Administration and Courts Building – Quad Room, 100 Jefferson County Parkway

Thursday, Aug. 23: Jefferson County Sheriff's South Precinct Room 102/103, 11139 Bradford Road

Monday, Aug. 27: Our Lady of the Pines Catholic Church – Conifer, 9444 Eagle Cliff Road

Thursday, Sept. 13: Evergreen Fire/Rescue Administrative Building – Training Rooms A & B, 1802 Bergen Parkway

As staff explores what to update in the Comprehensive Master Plan, we want your input on what areas to focus on.

Should we revise one of the eight Area Plans that contain specific land use recommendations for every parcel of land in the county? Or should we look at a bigger picture update, like how all of our commercial centers should work together to provide services and jobs that residents need?

If you have any questions, please contact Heather Gutherless, Jefferson County Planning and Zoning, 303-271-8716, hgutherl@jeffco.us.

The revised Jeffco policy as to Prairie Dogs Administrative Policy Prairie Dog Relocation into Jefferson County

Policy No. Part 3 Regulations, Chapter 5 Animals, Section 3 Effective Date August 14, 2018

Policy Custodian Board of County Commissioners Adoption/Revision Date August 14, 2018

Adopting Resolution(s): CC18-268 **References** (Statutes/Resos/Policies): C.R.S §35-7-203

Purpose: To establish criteria for the relocation of prairie dogs into Jefferson County.

Policy: Prairie Dog Relocation into Jefferson County

A. Introduction

1. The release of prairie dogs that have been relocated into the County requires a prior Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) approving the release. C.R.S. §35-7-203.

2. Prairie dogs are present on many properties in the County including several Jeffco Open Space Parks. The County has very few remaining sites suitable for prairie dog relocation.

B. Criteria for Prairie Dog Relocation and Release into the County

1. In addition to such other conditions the BCC determines are appropriate, BCC approval is subject to the following requirements.

a. Prairie dog relocation is necessary because the current site is over carrying capacity and denuded of vegetation.

b. Adjacent property is adversely affected because the current site exceeds carrying capacity.

c. The proposed new site is suitable prairie dog habitat and has ample carrying capacity for additional animals.

d. The relocation has been approved by the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Commission and the owner of the new site.

e. The relocation is in accordance with all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations.

f. The relocation and release of prairie dogs into the County complies with C.R.S. §35-7-203.

g. The requesting party has demonstrated that all relocation options outside of Jefferson County have been exhausted.

C. Relocation of Prairie Dogs to Rocky Flats National Wildlife Refuge (Refuge)

1. In lieu of the procedures set forth in C.R.S §35-7-203, the County shall serve as a referral agency for requests to relocate prairie dogs to the Refuge from outside the County. As a referral agency the County will be provided the opportunity to comment on requests to relocate prairie dogs to the Refuge from outside the County before a request has been ap-



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The September 5th meeting speaker will be Nancy Kellogg, a member of the Jefferson County Partners in Energy Group (PIE), speaking on energy efficiency options. The meeting will be at the Sheriff's office South Service Center (11139 Bradford Rd) at 7pm.

proved by the Refuge.

2. The County and the Refuge concur that permit applications to relocate prairie dogs to the Refuge from within the County shall have priority over permit applications to relocate prairie dogs to the Refuge from outside the County.

From Jeffco website **IRS IMPOSTER SCAM - DON'T BE FOOLED**—District Attorney Pete Weir is warning consumers to beware of the IRS Imposter scam. While these scams are not new to the metro Denver area, the DA's Office is seeing an uptick in consumer calls about this, and similar, scams. There may be slight variations in the scams, but generally consumers receive telephone calls, voicemails, or emails from individuals saying they are with the IRS and that there is problem with the consumer's tax account. Callers may threaten a lawsuit, law enforcement, Treasury, or other enforcement action. In a variation on this, caller merely threatens legal or criminal action if certain demands for money or information are not met.

These scammers may be "phishing" for your personal and financial information, or they may demand some form of payment. Often the calls are made by computerized voices

Do not be misled. This is a scam. The IRS will never contact a taxpayer by telephone regarding their tax account.

Consumers should hang up and not return the call. In addition, law enforcement or other government agencies will not contact you by phone or email with threats or demands. Payment, or your personal or financial information, provided to scammers cannot be recovered; often there is nothing that law enforcement can do.

"Scammers may employ threats in their attempts to convince consumers that this is an urgent matter and that they must act immediately," said Weir. "We encourage consumers not to react. When in doubt, always call your local DA or law enforcement agency for more information."

Should consumers receive one of these calls, we recommend they get more information before they act. Helpful recommendations and resources include:

Your local District Attorney's Office, or the First Judicial District Attorney's fraud hotline 303-271-6980;

Call the IRS at 800-829-1040 or the Treasury Inspector General at 800-366-4484 to alert the IRS of this scam. Helpful IRS resources are available at www.irs.gov and www.tiga.gov;

Forward any suspicious emails to phishing@irs.gov;

Don't open any attachments or click on any links in emails;

File a complaint with the Federal Trade Commission at ftc.gov/complaint.

To all members and candidates—Sorry for being late to the picnic with the food and drinks. Something came up and I was late getting to King Soopers to get the chicken, then they had mixed up the order and it took a while to get it done..
Ray Moore