

COHOPE

council of homeowners organization for planned environment

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Upcoming Meetings:

Open Space: Jan 3, 7 pm, 700 Jeffco Parkway, Suite 100
Board of County Commissioners Every Tuesday at 8:00 am
Foothills: Jan. 22 6 pm, The Peak.
Board of Adjustment: 1st & 3rd Wednesday at 9 am, Hearing Room One, 100 Jefferson County Parkway
DRCOG: Jan. 16, 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: Jan 2 2019 Tina Francone BOCC Feb 6 Mar 6 April 3 May 1

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Draft Minutes for Nov. 7 Meeting— Attendance: Diane Suchomel / At Large, Cheri Paavola / At Large, Ray Moore & Al Hintz / Kipling Hills, Judy Alliprandine, Anita Twisselman & Tony Tierney / Columbine Knolls, Tom Majcen & Gary Engelbright / Columbine Knolls South Estates, Ralph Miller & Randy Montgomery / Columbine Hills Civic Assn., Alan & Jule Blair / Lakehurst West HOA, Maureen Sielaff / At Large, Pat Fenten / Stanton Farms Homes, Logan McMillan / At Large, Bob Ham / At Large, Hal Doiron, Division Chief JD Jepkema / Jefferson County Sheriff's Department.
The meeting started at 7:01 p.m.

Diane Suchomel, Vice President, welcomed everyone.

Division Chief JD Jepkema, Jefferson County Sheriff's Department, was our speaker. He was just promoted to Division Chief. He is moving out of drug enforcement. He is now in charge of Support Services which includes training, recruiting, IT, records, budget, supply, and fleet.

No one from Jefferson County Public Schools was present.

Tonight's speaker is **Division Chief JD Jepkema, Jefferson County Sheriff's Department.** The topic is Marijuana Law issues.

Marijuana is one of the oldest drugs known to man. It was used by Egyptians. It was banned in Europe. It was banned in the United States in 1941.

In 2000 it was legalized for medicinal purposes. The Sheriff's Department did not see a lot of impact.

In 2014 it was legalized for general consumption. The population in Colorado went up 6%. Violent crimes went up 19%. Marijuana related traffic deaths increased 66% during this time frame. JD did not know the impact on DUI, because they don't test for multiple drugs / alcohol when alcohol is involved.

The Marijuana industry likes Colorado. On the subject of Marijuana grows. Huge outdoor grows are still illegal. In the metro area, there are grows in huge houses. In the "old" days, marijuana plants were 4 - 6 ft. high. Now they can be 10 ft. tall. The THC content has gone up from 3% to 60%. And it can be concentrated even more.

Grows in houses have a high incident of mold. This is due to the humidity. The incidence of Aspergillus Mold is more hazardous than the danger from cooking Meth. Wiring is another issue. This is usually done by growers and is not up to specifications. Hash Oil is frequently made with Butane. They take a cylinder full of marijuana leaves and run Butane through it to break it down to THC oil. Violence may be used by criminals to protect their grows. Grows can have mold or bugs. So they use pesticides.

Common indicators of marijuana growing in a house is multiple air conditioning units and multiple vents.

In 2017 the drug task force investigated 13 illegal marijuana grows in Jefferson County. In 2018 so far, they have had 19 illegal grows in Jefferson County. In addition to these numbers, during one recent major federal investigation 76 residences were searched across the front range, 10 in Jefferson County, all relating to marijuana.

What do you do with confiscated plants? We used to burn them in incinerators. Now they have too many plants. Then they ground the plants up with a wood chipper. Now they destroy everything except a few samples for evidence. They spray the plants with diesel.

Tips from neighbors are welcome. Common complaints are that the house stinks or they keep blowing transformers. At this point about 2% of electricity goes to growing marijuana.

Legally you can have 6 plants per person (up to 12 plants per household). It must be locked up. It cannot be visible to the public. It cannot be outside. There may be local ordinances that provide further restrictions. It cannot be for sale. It is a felony if you have 30 plants over the limit. For personal use, you can have 1 oz. on your person.

The focus of the Task Force is to disrupt drug traffic. The biggest problem is heroin. They are starting to see fentanyl.

They still have Meth. Most of the Meth comes from Mexico. We export Marijuana to Mexico.

There is little violence in the Heroin trade because everyone knows each other. There is more violence with Meth. There is a lot of violence with marijuana. When the police serve a warrant, they do so with a SWAT Team. A lot of growers have no criminal history but they are heavily armed.

If someone suspects a grow in their neighborhood, call dispatch at the Sheriff's Office.

Is there a very big market for marijuana? The vast majority is going out of state via the mail. Sometimes it is moved in big trucks.

What is the price for marijuana? It is about \$1,500 per pound.

Is it available for vapes? Yes. It may be concentrated. The high is delivered via inhalation just like cigarettes.

Violence rarely occurs during smoking. However it is more likely with concentrates and edibles.

What happened to the Medical Marijuana industry? The industry has largely been marginalized, with sales steadily decreasing since 2016.

It is a local legend that THC can reduce seizures. However they cannot test this theory due to federal regulations.

What about when a neighbor is smoking and the smell wafts into your yard? The law states that the odor cannot leave their property. But in reality, they cannot enforce this. All of the participants must be 21 years old. The rules are basically the same as those for alcohol.

There was a grow in a home in an HOA. They tried to stop it for 9 months. Then they contacted the bank that held the mortgage. It was cleaned up with 10 days.

Can high quality infrared cameras detect marijuana? Yes. The plants glow bright red.

What about under the influence driving? They can test for it, but it is expensive and difficult. It requires blood or urine. It can remain in the system for days or weeks. However intoxication levels dissipate quickly; in about 20 minutes.

If you are in the room where someone is smoking, can you get secondary exposure? JD did not know.

What are the long term effects? It can reduce the IQ.

Can aircraft be used to identify illegal grows? Yes. Marijuana grown outside glows bright green in the daytime.

JD believes that we are spending more on the impact than we are getting in benefits. For example, the homeless population has gone up with associated petty crimes and illnesses. So far the tax revenue has been \$3B.

Reports from Officers We do not have a President.

Roll Call was taken. We had 12 members present and had a quorum.

Ray Moore, Treasurer, was present. We have \$1,811.97.

Cheri Paavola, Secretary, was present. The Minutes for Oct. were approved.

Diane Suchomel, Vice President, was present.

The following are Pre-applications:

PA 18-127682 is for 8135 Shaeffer Pkwy. The plat is for 125 attached and detached residences. There are 2 parcels. 1A is for 71 single story "empty nester" residences. 1B is for 54 attached / detached / single story patio style residences.

The builder is Cardel from Canada.

PA 18-127316 is for 3901 S Kipling. It is a rezone for a telecommunications tower. It is on 3 acres north of D'Evelyn High School. Lakehurst West and South own the hill. The tower would be 150 ft. tall.

PA 18-126590 is for 8600 W. Hampden Ave. It is 3.5 acres. It is for Barking Springs Ranch in Denver. It is for special use dog and cat boarding. They would have 4 large outdoor yards. The request did not mention the number of animals they would have.

PA 18-129475 is for 10488 Centennial Road. It is for special use. It is for the grand opening parking lot of a distillery with a tasting room. It is 5280 Distillery. The tasting will be on Dec. 8 from 2:00 - 8:00 p.m.

PA 18-129531 is for 9946 Elkhorn St. It is a minor adjustment. It is for a detached garage / Accessory Dwelling Unit / Workshop. The building is for more than the 6,000 sq. ft. that is allowed by the W. Deer Creek Canyon subdivision. The meeting is on Dec. 5.

PA 18-129578 is for 6044 W. Canyon Ave. It is for a rezoning to allow for a therapy / occupational / rehabilitation facility. It is Peak Pediatric Rehabilitation.

The following is a Site Development Plan.

SD 18-129 152 is for 7925 S. Platte Canyon Rd. It is for a private gym with a volleyball club / league and offices / storage

COHOPE Treasury Activity: November – December 2018

Beginning Balance November 7, 2018

Deposits

Withdrawals

December & January Newsletter \$5.50 (\$11) Bank Fee \$4

Ending Balance January 2, 2019

W. R. Moore, Treasurer

\$ 1811.97

\$ 0.00

\$ 15.00

\$ 1796.97

space. They will have up to 4 courts. It is on the northwest corner of Platte Canyon Rd. and Depew.

The following is a Rezoning Application.

RZ 18-117888 is for 13420 W. Coal Mine Ave. It is for an Electric Charging Station at WalMart. It would include an ATM. The SDP would have a minor revision. The drive through ATM would be on the far northeast corner of the parking lot adjacent to Coal Mine Ave.

The user fee for Southwest Metropolitan WTS District is going to increase to \$7 per account in Jan. It is now \$5. The fee will be 66% of their budget. They have no mill levy to support their operations.

Please report graffiti in their neighborhoods.

Someone said that they will roll out 5G next year. They will need more towers to handle this.

A Master Gardener was suggested as a speaker. They charge \$35 per hour for a 1.5 hour speech. It was proposed that we want to pay for a speaker? The proposal was turned down.

The road taxes and bonds for CDOT were voted down in the election.

What is the level of radiation from cell towers? It is 100 times more than our grandparents were exposed to. It can affect pace makers. Each tower generates about \$900 per month.

Construction has started at the southwest corner of Kipling and Coal Mine. Have they dealt with the Coal Mines in the area? Yes. There will be no homes on the east side of the property. The developer will have to fill in the mines.

Someone wanted to know about experiences with Dumpster Days. Someone said that they used Alpine. They need to educate people. Someone used a compactor dumpster, but Lee's has gone out of business.

Our December Holiday Party has been cancelled. Our next meeting will be in Jan. 2.

The speaker for Jan. has not been determined yet.

Who takes care of green belts? It depends on who owns it. It could be Urban Drainage or Flood Control, an individual subdivision, or a Park & Rec district or the County.

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

New Business None. **Announcements** None.

We adjourned at 8:43 p.m.—*Cheri Paavola*

THE BACKYARD

Columbine Hills News

President's Corner — 2018 is rapidly drawing to close. In part I wish I could look back and recall the things that have occurred and, in another aspect, there is a reason I don't remember things – Yeah I'm older I get it – but there are other reasons. Many things that happen are worthy of forgetting. Many of my friends are big into journaling – I've just never done that, and I don't know why. Things are often forgotten but I wish I had a better memory for people. People are what really matter.

As I interact with the fine people of CHCA I am thankful for the large majority of you. Candy is a dedicated mother, Greta cares about her property, Iris is so friendly and supportive, Cindy, Ann, Dave, Lori, Beth and others have paid me to do lawn care for them – Thank you – I need the little extra income. My neighbors Clay and Jason are fine people – I feel fortunate to share my space with them. Two neighbors supplied rocks for my landscaping projects – thank you. Ray helped me with that because he has a truck and helped this older dude – thank you. Ryan and Rachel faithfully hosted a block party – thank you. Many of us will miss them from this neighborhood.

I'm thankful for Frank and Tina and their efforts in the political realm to keep this world more sane. Kylie – CHE appreciates your work in the school. I want to mention that I've gotten to appreciate more those with whom I serve on the CHCA board: Jenn our secretary who faithfully assembles the newsletter, to Don and Michaelle who are so willing to step in and do the work that it takes to keep this community running, to Ralph and Pat who attend COHOPE meetings and handle our finances, to Kelly and Ruth who are faithful supporters of the agenda we are trying to accomplish, to Steve who comes and keeps our meetings on a much lighter note. I'm so thankful to have Ken on board [pun intended] to manage our digital media. You are all part of a great team. I'm humbled to serve with you and to have your support.

Our winter hayride is just around the corner, CHCA will sponsor the ride as well as provide hot coca, s'mores, and cookies and other treats on the 2nd at 5:00 in the evening at the shelter of the baseball pavilion. There will be a fire-pit or two to warm you up as well. This is totally done at our expense – there is no charge for you. Come. Enjoy the snacks. Talk with your friends and neighbors. Discuss what is important to you. Rumor has it that Santa will be there too! This is what living in community is all about – getting involved in each other's lives, therefore . . . Be the kind of neighbor you wish you had.—*Randy Montgomery, CHCA president, rmontgomery@frcs.org*

From November 10th CHCA Board Meeting—Meeting called to order by President at 9:10am. Officers present: Randy, Jenn, Pat. Board members present: Michaelle, Ralph, Ruth, Steve, Kelly. Community members present: Iris, Megan, Ken, Hyland CHCA by-laws require a majority of board members [5 of 9] to accomplish business .

Treasurers report presented by Pat,

Old business: COHOPE – Ralph: Randy went and gave report – sheriff gave talk regarding marijuana grow houses and how to spot them.

Old Safeway – petition is in process to rezone from Planned Development to C1 which is commercial.
Membership status – Pat – 1 new member last month – around 289 members
Introduce Ken – Ken’s vision – looking at new website – also wanting online payments available -
Hayride needs – Dec 2nd – Santa contacted and confirmed by Kelly – hayride confirmed by Jenn – Hot cocoa – Call Bob and ask if he can donate or if we can purchase – Randy firepit – smores – Reed to bring lights and radio – coffee -
Everyone there by 3pm to set up.
Dumpster day: charges \$488.50
New business: Veterans day activities? None. Items for PC/Newsletter? none
Memberships being sent out – ralph and pat need help stuffing envelopes – iris and board members want to help and will. Will talk about next month.
Light judging – potluck – December 16th 4p – Randy getting gift certs - \$25/ quad and \$50 grand champ
Additional new business from attendees at large – Michaelle – hosting January meeting at her house – planning meeting 9am
Meeting adjourned at 10:10am.

Columbine Knolls Voice

From HOA Meeting Minutes from October, 2018 Happy President Hale called the Meeting to Order at 7:01pm. Board Members present were Directors Hale, Woodbury, Whitelaw, Buresh, Tierney, McClish and Luellen.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: MEMBERSHIP: There was no new report on memberships. With respect to the clean-up day, there were 11 members and 1 non-member that participated. The total cost to the HOA was \$20. Director Woodbury expressed thanks to HOA Meeting Minutes from October, 2018 the recreation district for allowing us to use the pool parking lot.

Welcoming: Four new totes are ready to be delivered as soon as the new residents are moved in.

SAFETY, BEAUTIFICATION AND MAINTENANCE: Director Whitelaw noted that leaf clean-up assistance will be needed.

COVENANTS AND ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL: President Hale reported that last month there were 2 approved PIP-SAs, for a shed and a fence, and he further noted that the Board continues to enforce the covenants.

SPECIAL EVENTS: The annual Halloween Party will be held on October 19 from 6 – 9 pm at Normandy Elementary. All directors were encouraged to attend and to help as possible.

President Hale called for volunteers to take on the duty of “party coordinator” for the HOA’s events.

FINANCE: Director McClish presented the P&L and noted again that the clean-up day cost the HOA \$20 whereas in past years there had been a surplus which is why there was a budgeted \$300 profit. Again, it was noted that a volunteer is needed for the treasurer position as Director McClish will be stepping down at the end of her term. A discussion was had regarding the donation of approximately \$1,000 from the group that made the changes to the process for revising the covenants and their fund for that process. After discussion a Motion was made that the donated funds should be set aside for use in legal fees for covenant enforcement and related matters for this and future years, on an as needed basis. Upon Motion duly made and seconded, the Motion was approved.

OLD BUSINESS: A discussion was held regarding the October 19, 2018 covenant enforcement court date.

A discussion was held regarding moving to Google Voice for the HOA’s voice mails. President Hale will meet with Steve to discuss further. There is some concern over the inability to have separate numbers. The Board will continue to look into and evaluate this potential change.

The draft survey presented last month was discussed. The Board expressed its general support for sending the survey with the membership letters in January.

NEW BUSINESS: There also was a discussion about sending letters to listing agents and homeowners regarding the covenants and the role of the HOA.

A discussion was had regarding the expiring terms in the new year and the need to find members willing to serve on the Board. A nominating committee was established with President Hale and Director Woodbury as its initial members.

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS: The Board voted to go into Executive Session to discuss advice received from the Board’s legal counsel. A discussion on the same was held and the Board then voted to leave the Executive Session.

President Hale adjourned the meeting at 8:22pm.

Columbine Knolls South II Review

From President’s Corner— Happy Holidays to All. Hope your Thanksgiving was great. We are looking forward to the festive Christmas lights in the neighborhood. Family, friends, gifts, and food will probably be a big part of everyone’s holiday agenda. Try to remember those in need by a donation or a kind word.

The Holiday Hayride will on December 2nd from 5:30pm to 8pm. Please bring a goody to share and the HOA will provide the hot chocolate. Mr. and Mrs. Santa will be there to visit as well as the horse drawn wagon for all to take a ride. Thanks to all of the volunteers and businesses who made this year a big success. The businesses contributing were Cakes Amore, Chick Fil A at Aspen Grove, Columbine Wine & Liquor, Froyo Spot, High Plains Tap House, Jennifer Blake REAL-

TOR, Pure Barre, Savory Spice, and Virgilio's. A special thanks goes out to the leads for each event. They were Amy Kowalski-Rolling Into Summer, Jennifer Blake-Movie In The Park, Brenda Abbott-Hayride, Stephanie Haberkorn-Landscape Committee, and Jenifer Blake-Welcome Committee. I want to thank the CKSII Board Members for their great help and assistance. Our treasurer, Debbie Opperman and our VP and ACC chair, Bob Pellegrini who have done a great job for the past 8 years will be leaving the board. The remaining board members Pam Horiszny, Steve Kalney, Chris Reynolds, Josh Kunkel, and myself will remain on the board. If anyone is interested in joining our board, please come to the annual meeting.

The Annual CKSII Board of Directors meeting will be Tuesday, January 22nd at 7 pm at the Coronado Elementary School library. Please attend and vote for the proposed budget and board members. If you cannot attend please submit your proxy form to one of the board members by January 21, 2019, mail it to our PO box 621625, Littleton, CO 80162 no later than January 15, 2019, or sign a proxy at the Hayride event on 12/2/18. All homeowners are invited to attend. This is a great time for interested homeowners to meet neighbors, have questions answered, share ideas and get involved in your community. Thanks!—*Bob Haberkorn, President CKSII HOA*

CKSII HOA Board Meeting Minutes November 13th, 2018—President Bob Haberkorn called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm. Board members Debbie Opperman, Pam Horiszny, Josh Kunkel, Chris Reynolds and Bob Pellegrini were in attendance, along with Roger Borcharding of DARCO Property Management.

Treasurer's Report: Debbie reported the HOA currently has 354 members.

Waste Management: Debbie reported that WM will begin passing on the increased costs of recycling to the HOA effective 1/1/19 but has agreed to hold off on the scheduled increase for regular trash service. It appears that the two will offset somewhat and no increase in HOA dues is anticipated for 2019.

ACC Report: Bob P reported eight requests, which were all approved. One request is pending. Applications were for two roofs, four paint jobs, one solar panel installation and one new window installation.

Welcome Committee/Social Committee: Going out on Thursday to deliver to five to seven houses. Social committee is gearing up for the Holiday Hayride on Dec 2 from 5:30pm to 8:00pm.

Management Report: Roger Borcharding reported that three inspections were conducted in October. Seventeen notices were provided to owners by written notice. Included were three campers, one boat, six trailers, one trash and trash containers in view for over 10 days; one dead tree; three foliage blocking street signs, one low hanging tree limbs over sidewalk, and one ladder stored in view. No Covenant violations have been referred to the HOA's attorney since June of 2015.

The HOA requested some changes to the contract with DARCO Property Management and those updates were sent to the board to review. These changes add about 8.5 inspections a year, however, we don't anticipate an increase in costs.

New Business: Budget, Debbie reviewed the proposed budget for 2019, which is based on having 350 members. The proposed budget will be published and voted on at the January 22nd meeting. We discussed that the trash contract will need renewal in 2020 and negotiations for a new contract must start in 2019. We reviewed the plans to hire a bookkeeper and discussed the revised treasurer role. The bookkeeper will pick up the mail, liaise with Waste Management, do the mailing, do the invoicing and write checks. The board will write a job description to present it to the community. The new treasurer position will oversee the bookkeeper and be a signatory of the checks (along with the President). We also discussed changes to how we audit the accounts. The deadline for the upcoming newsletter is December 6. The publisher requested an article from the board because she has space in the newsletter.

The Annual Board meeting will be held on Tuesday January 22, 2019 at 7:00pm at Coronado Elementary.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 pm.

Columbine West Civic Association Newsletter

From A Moment With The Board The November 12th monthly meeting at Dutch Creek Elementary was attended by a handful of Officers/Board members, unable to secure a quorum we will need to take an online vote to ratify our upcoming 2019 projected budget. The 2019 CWCA Budget was presented for review by Board/Officers. Projections look like many administrative costs will remain the same. The budget still includes annual favorites such as Easter Egg Hunt, Dumpster Day, Swim Nights & National Night Out. A reminder that CWCA voted to eliminate the December monthly meeting, to give everyone a well deserved break and enjoy the holiday activities. The Board/Officers would like to wish all neighbors a beautiful holiday season. It is our hope that everyone stays healthy, happy & safe. If the season takes you away from home for an extended time the Jeffco Sheriff office can arrange a vacation check for your home. As always, if you don't see a neighbor out and about during the cold weather the Jeffco Sheriff can also perform a Well-Check. Don't hesitate to call the non-emergency dispatch 303-271-0211. The association is planning a Members Mixer and inviting all those who are members to try and drop by and visit together. The event will be at Breckenridge Brewery on January 24th, 6:30p. 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 7:00 p.m., 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 November 7, 2018 Board Members Present: Paul O'Connor, Chip Langowski, Mike Karbach, Rhonda Eveleth, Debby Baker, and Nancy Bock.

Treasurer's Report: Mike presented the Treasurer's Report, which included LCA current balances, payments received, and bills paid. Mike also reviewed the current balance in each account.

Leawood Santa Party: The Santa Party will be on Wednesday, December 5th from 6pm to 8pm at Leawood Elementary School. The crafts and refreshments will be in the Cafeteria with Santa and Mrs. Claus in the Library. Rhonda will contact possible volunteers to help. Debby will contact Pinto Photography. Paul and Chip will shop for new Christmas decorations. Nancy will make the punch and all Board Members will bring cookies. Chip discussed purchasing new banners for each entrance and new signs. The discussion was tabled until the January Meeting.

Paul suggested making the article for the Reporter Editor job more prominent.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.

From Leawood Metropolitan Recreation and Park District Minutes November 12, 2018 The Board meeting was called to order at 6:44pm 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 reported a resident stopped her in Weaver Park to report he had been picking up beer bottles and cans from the creek area adjacent to the soccer field where there seemed to have been parties going on.

Treasurer's Report – Donna presented the Treasurer's report. Tiny amounts of property tax revenue and additional ownership tax was received. Invoices for the month include: Denver Water, doggie bag vendor, K&S Electric for work on lights at Weaver Park, United Site Services, Rich Alarcon for trash removal, Weston Landscape's last invoice for the year, Waste Management, Excel, Evergreen Newspaper (Columbine Courier) for public notices for budget, Dave's invoice and reimbursement to petty cash. Linda moved the treasurer's report be received and bills paid, Debby seconded, and the motion passed without objection.

Parks Manager Report – Dave reported new table tops and replacement seats have been ordered from Churchich Recreation. They will be installed in the Spring of 2019. Dave also reported that we are finalizing a decision on engineered wood chips to be installed as the weather permits. A tree on the south side of the creek in Tract T was removed due to being chopped down by beavers. The ATV is ready for winter and has already seen some action.

All the irrigation and drip lines have been blown out and ready for winter. Dave will keep an eye on the new plants at the wooden bridge and water them if necessary. Kyle received a call from a resident that the "talk tube" at the play area in Leawood Park was ripped off its mount by vandals. Recreation Plus is trying to locate a replacement, but in the meantime, Dave cut the pipe to keep from injuring anyone. The tube will be replaced if we can find a new one. Doggie bags were checked and replenished as needed.

K&S Electric repaired and installed new parts for lighting at the Weaver Pavilion. Dave will be looking at pricing and ideas to replace the boards on the West bridge and pricing for fencing and a gate across the front and back of Kendall Park. Contractors have caused damage time after time by coming in unannounced and leaving ruts in the grass.

NEW BUSINESS Review of 2019 Budget - Public Notice of the proposed 2019 Budget was published in the November 2 and 9 issue of the Columbine Courier. Donna addressed changes to budget items with increases that were suggested last month. She was able to project end of year costs for routine items and list what we may expect for 2019. The revised budget for 2019 will be presented for final approval at the December 12 meeting along with setting the mil levy.

OLD BUSINESS Survey in Nextdoor.com for play equipment in Weaver Park. A survey was sent via Nextdoor.com on October 21 for the community to ask for input. We are considering re-publishing it again to make sure that we get as much input as possible.

Residents should contact Kyle or Lindsey Reese (lindseyreese25@gmail.com) with any questions or comments. Thanks to those who responded.

The meeting was adjourned 8:07pm.— *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.

Westbury

HOA 2018 Memberships There were 33 members of the Westbury HOA this year. The Board wishes to thank to all the households for their support. The neighborhood dumpster was a great success, as was National Night out and the neighborhood cleanup.

The Board wishes everyone in Westbury Happy Holidays & a prosperous New Year.

Food pantry for local residents who need help The food pantry at Light of the World Church (10316 W Bowles Ave) is for residents in this area who need some help. People need to bring a Colorado drivers' license or Colorado ID to sign up for it. After they are signed up, then they can get food there 1 day/week. The food pantry is open from 9 am - 11 am on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday."

Woodbourne

From Notes From the Board The holidays are in full swing. We on the Board hope you have all had a safe and wonderful Thanksgiving. As you may have noticed, the Board meeting that was scheduled to be held on November 21, the Wednesday before Thanksgiving, was postponed until Wednesday, December 12, 2018.

The meeting that is currently scheduled for December 19, 2018, will be canceled since the community will have a Board meeting on December 12. That makes the December 12 Board meeting the last one of the year.

Weather permitting, the Annual Woodbourne Holiday Hayride and Cookie Exchange will take place on December 15, 2018, at the Woodbourne Clubhouse. The Board will provide hot chocolate and the wagons. Please bring your favorite cookies to exchange with your neighbors. An email blast will be sent out with the specific time.

We hope that everyone has a wonderful rest of the holiday season, and we wish everyone an auspicious and prosperous new year.— *James Meyer, President*

From Jeffco Public Schools website—Jeffco Public Schools Again Earns Large Number of CMAS-Based Academic Awards - GOLDEN, Colo. (Dec. 12, 2018) – Thirty-eight Jeffco Public Schools earned 44 academic awards from the Colorado Department of Education (CDE) based on 2017-18 Colorado Measures of Academic Success (CMAS) results. Last year, 35 schools earned 45 awards. “It is awesome that so many of our schools continue to earn recognition for high academic performance, high academic growth, and closing achievement gaps,” Superintendent Dr. Jason Glass said. “We measure ourselves in a variety of ways, but these awards are high-profile and show how we truly work to offer the best learning opportunities for all our students. Congratulations to all the students and staff that earned awards this year. We are proud of you!”

The full list of Jeffco Public Schools that earned CDE awards is at the end of this release.

Eiber Elementary in Lakewood received the Center of Excellence Award this year. This award recognizes Colorado public schools that enroll a student population of which at least 75 percent are at-risk pupils and demonstrates the highest rates of student longitudinal growth, as measured by the Colorado Growth Model.

The John Irwin Schools of Excellence Award is presented to schools that demonstrate excellent academic achievement over time with exceptional performance in math, English language arts, and science.

Thirty-two Jeffco schools earned the award this year.

The Governor’s Distinguished Improvement Award is for schools that demonstrate exceptional student growth. Eight Jeffco schools received the award this year; they exceeded expectations on the academic achievement indicator.

The High School Academic Growth Award recognizes high schools that demonstrate the highest levels of students’ academic growth in reading, writing, and math. Three schools earned the honor this year: Compass Montessori (Golden), D’Evelyn Jr./Sr. High (Lakewood), and Evergreen High.

Learn more about the CDE awards here (<https://www.cde.state.co.us/cdeawards/awards>)

From Jeffco Website: Office Hours Changing for Several Jefferson County Offices—Office hours for the public will be changing in the new year for several areas of Jefferson County. Please check when these hours are changing and check those hours before making your trip to one of our offices.

Development and Transportation Offices Effective Jan. 2, 2019, the hours for the offices of Building Safety, Planning and Zoning and Transportation and Engineering will be 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. These offices are located on the third floor of the Administration and Courts Facility at 100 Jefferson County Parkway.

Many services are available online anytime – see the Development and Transportation website for more information on the services that the divisions offer.

Clerk and Recorder Offices Effective Jan. 7, 2019, all Clerk and Recorder offices will have the new public hours of 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. These offices include: Clerk to the Board, which handles passports, liquor licenses and the Board of County Commissioners minutes and resolutions; located on the second floor of the Administration and Courts Facility at 100 Jefferson County Parkway.

Elections, which handles voter registration, candidate and committee information, data requests and more; located at 3500 Illinois Street.

Five Motor Vehicle offices, which handles vehicle renewals and registrations, dealer services and more; see Motor Vehicle website for office locations.

Recording, which supplies marriage and civil union licenses, recording of documents and the records index search; located on the second floor of the Administration and Courts Facility at 100 Jefferson County Parkway.

Many services are available online anytime – see the Clerk and Recorder website for more information on the services that all the divisions offer.

Justice Services

The hours for the Justice Services office, which contains Pretrial and Community Services, are now 7:30 a.m to 5:00 p.m. This office is located on the first floor of the Administration side of the Administration and Courts Facility at 100 Jefferson County Parkway.

You can find more information on the services on the Justice Services website. <https://www.jeffco.us/799/Justice-Services>)



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The scheduled January 2nd meeting speaker will be Board of County Commissioner Tina Francone. The meeting will be at Sheriff's South Service Center (11139 Bradford Rd) at 7 pm.

Meet Your Newly Elected Jeffco Officials—Come meet your newly elected and reelected Jefferson County officials at the county's swearing-in ceremony on Jan. 8, 2019. The ceremony will be at 8 a.m. and held in the first-floor hearing room, which is located in the Administration and Courts Facility, 100 Jefferson County Parkway.

The ceremony will be hosted by Commissioners Casey Tighe and Libby Szabo. The Honorable 1st Judicial District Chief Judge Philip McNulty will swear in all the officials, which include the following:

Assessor Scot Kersgaard, Clerk & Recorder George Stern, Commissioner Lesley Dahlkemper, Coroner Annette Cannon, Sheriff Jeff Shrader (reelected) & Undersheriff Patsy Mundell, Surveyor Bryan Douglass, Treasurer Jerry DiTullio, District Court Judge Chris Bachmeyer, District Court Judge Diego G. Hunt, District Court Judge Laura A. Tighe, County Court Judge Susan L. Fisch, County Court Judge Mark Randall, County Court Judge Ryan J. Stuart, County Court Judge Thomas Vance, and County Court Judge Jean Woodford.

A brief reception will follow and then the Board of County Commissioners will conduct its first public hearing of 2019. The hearing is scheduled to begin at 1 p.m. and the commissioners will elect the chair and chair pro-tem for 2019.

If you can't attend the swearing-in ceremony, you can watch it live online. Simply go to our meeting videos page and select the "In Progress" link on the Swearing-In item of the Upcoming Events section.

Let's Chat Property Taxes and How Your Bill is Calculated—Each year, property owners receive bills from the county for their property taxes. But how are these taxes calculated? Or did you know that even though the county collects all property taxes, only a small portion goes to the county? The majority goes to school districts, cities and special districts. And do you know what services are being provided with the county's portion?

To help you better understand and answer these questions, we created a four-part video series, Property Taxes 101, hosted by Commissioner Libby Szabo. In these videos, we will discuss how your property taxes are determined and provide a detailed example of how your tax bills are calculated. The videos include what mill levies are, assessed value of your property and what affects your property tax bill.

Property Taxes 101: Part 1 – Introduction So, let's get started! Commissioner Libby Szabo introduces us to the series and what we will be discussing in the upcoming videos.

Property Taxes 101: Part 2 - How Property Taxes Are Determined and the Mill Levy

Now it is time to dive in and learn more about your property taxes in part two of Property Taxes 101. Commissioner Libby Szabo chats with us about how your property taxes are determined. She will go over mill levies and provide an example of how they are determined and how they affect your property tax bills.

Property Taxes 101: Part 3 - How Your Property is Assessed

So how is your property assessed? In the third part of Property Taxes 101, Commissioner Libby Szabo will go over this and provide an example using the different assessment rates for residential and non-residential properties.

Property Taxes 101: Part 4 – What Affects Your Property Value and the Appeal Process

Did you know that factors like, age, size and what your property is used for can affect your property value? Commissioner Szabo discusses this and the appeal process in the fourth and final segment of Property Taxes 101.

Or you can watch the entire series on our YouTube channel.

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL07IjQx03Hyv5nfY4TuQUeAqqyajEdFCw>

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