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#### **Upcoming Meetings:**

Open Space: Mar. 5, 6 pm, 700 Jeffco Parkway, Suite 100 Board of County Commissioners Every Tuesday at 8:00 am

Foothills: Mar 10, 6 pm, The Peak.

Board of Adjustment: 1st & 3rd Wednesday at 9 am, Hearing Room

One,100 Jefferson County Parkway

DRCOG: Mar 18, 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 4 Warren Tech April 1 May 6 June 3 July 1 Aug 5 In This Issue: Information and Minutes 1-2,5,6, Back-yard 3-5

**Draft Minutes for Feb. 5 Meeting** Attendance: Diane Suchomel / At Large, Ray Moore / At Large, Cheri Paavola / At Large, Judy Alliprandine / Columbine Knolls, Al Hintz / Kipling Hills, Maureen Sielaff / At Large, Captain Ron Leonard / Jefferson County Sheriff's Department, Janell Kerski / Jefferson County Public Library. The meeting started at 7:03 p.m.

Diane Suchomel, Vice President, welcomed everyone.

Captain Ron Leonard from Jefferson County Sheriff's Department was present.

He investigated the nuisance house. It was an issue. The SWAT was involved. There were stolen weapons, marijuana, and an explosive device.

Captain Ron introduced the Lieutenant Gompert. He'll work the night shift Wednesday through Saturday.

The Captain will need to leave shortly. There is a gas issue south of C-470 off Kipling. They need to make sure pilot lights are lit.

Vehicle Trespass has been down for about 4 months, since the arrests.

They are working with the Shiloh House on S. Estes. There are 8 kids in a group home. They are teaching the kids how to be good neighbors.

They released 161 inmates in the last several weeks due to budget issues. They will have to release more inmates next year.

Lt. Dave Swavely has been working parking resolution. They now have 4 laws that compete. They want to bring it down to 1.

What is done with drone complaints? There is very little legislation. If it is a peeping tom, they have to prove it. Otherwise it is just nuisance. It is not harassment. It is not trespass. The homeowner owns the house and the ground, but not the air space. You cannot shoot the drone down. You can ask the person piloting the drone to stop.

NextDoor is a wonderful tool, but it is a message board.

No one from Jefferson County Public Schools was present.

Tonight's speaker is **Janell Kerski**, **Jefferson County Public Library**. Janell has worked in Libraries for 23 years. The last 7 have been with Columbine.

The vision for the Jefferson County Public Library is to be an essential destination. The mission is to build community. The Values are on an educational and vibrant community for you. They will innovation, accountability, and excellence. Jefferson County has 10 active Libraries. 8 are full time, 2 are part time. Libraries are funded by property taxes. They have opportunities for kids and families, teens, and adults. They have something for everyone. They have free wifi, scanning and faxing, photo editing, study rooms, meeting rooms are no cost, computer classes, and more programs. They have over 1 million books in Jefferson County. They have magazines, DVD movies, music, a digital library and EBooks for smart phones, laptops, etc. They can borrow from libraries across the state and country. You can research your roots, learn a new language, check out a free pass to state parks, and check out a free pass for 11 museums. They have mobile hot spots. You can book a librarian for 45 minutes. Their book mobile visits 90 spots.

At Columbine Library their hours are Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m., Friday - Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.,

and Sunday 12:00 noon - 5:00 p.m.

Reports from Officers We do not have a President.

Roll Call was taken. We had 6 members present and had a quorum.

Ray Moore, Treasurer, said that we have \$1,851.09.

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

Diane Suchomel, Vice President, was present.

The following are Community Meetings.

CMT 20-100548 is for S. Estes St. Open Source. The Case Manager is Brittany Gada. The meeting is Feb. 5 at 5:30 p.m. at Lilley Gulch Rec. They want to rezone open space and 1 home tract B outside the 100 year flood plain.

CMT 20-101998 is for 5690 W. Coal Mine Ave. The meeting is Feb. 18 at Columbine Baptist Church at 5660 W. Coal Mine Ave. They want to rezone from PD to PD to build a private preschool and kindergarten.

CMT 20-102470 is for 10667 W. Progress Ave. The meeting is Feb. 27 at 6:00 p.m. at Hosanna Lutheran Church at 10304 W. Belleview Ave. They want to rezone to allow canine and feline boarding.

The following are **Pre-applications**.

PA 20-1000049 is for 4928 Hogback Ridge Rd. It is a minor adjustment for a 3 ft. fencing.

PA 20-100234 is for 10667 W. Progress Ave. They want to rezone for commercial dog and cat boarding.

PA 20-101955 and 20-101956 is for 9904 W. Capri Ave. They want to build additions to the Montessori Peak Academy.

They want to add a Middle School at a later date. The neighborhood is concerned with road issues.

PA 20-102255 is for 9370 Cougar Rd. They want to rezone for subdivision or parcel. They want to go from 2 parcels to 7 parcels.

PA 20-102252 is for 9350 Cougar Rd. It is for the same as PA 20-102255.

PA 20-102256 is for the Deer Creek Mesa area. It is for the same as PA 20-102255.

The following is an SV.

SV 20-101777 is to create the Deer Creek Villas Metro District. This is for 2 parcels at Cardell homes. The ODP is an incomplete application.

The following is a **Rezoning**.

RZ 20-101777 is for a dog training site related to 20-101994.

The following is a Special Application. It is for 5101 S. Van Gordon St. They want to rezone from A2 to PD. It is south of Belleview.

The following are other items. There are 2 proposed subdivisions in Ken Caryl east of C-470 and north of Ken Caryl. The other is south of Alkire St.

Foothills Parks and Recreation District is having an election for District 1, 2, and 5. See the newspaper for information. Graffiti is up again. Please report it.

Our next meeting will be Mar. 4th. The speaker is from Warren Tech. We will have to get a separate room on March, July, and November. This room is in use.

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

New Business Nothing.

Announcements The March meeting will be at Lilley Gulch Rec Center...

We adjourned at 7:50 p.m.—Cheri Paavola, Secretary

COHOPE Treasury Activity: February 2020 Beginning Balance February 5, 2020	W. R. Moore, Treasurer \$ 1853.09	
Deposits	\$	0.00
Withdrawals	\$	79.92
Mar. newsletter \$4.95 Bank Fee \$2 Website Fee \$32.97, Lilley Gulch Rental \$40 <b>Ending Balance March 4, 2020</b>	\$	1773.17

From Engage Jeffco February Newsletter Important Alerts for Property Tax Notices - We are currently processing documents that were recorded with the Jefferson County Clerk & Recorder in August 2019. Ownership changes that have occurred since then may not be reflected on Property Record Search results. Thank you for your understanding and patience.

If you bought a new property in 2019 and have not received your tax notice, your transfer probably has not been processed yet. The Treasurer's Office will continuously mail out tax notices to new owners as the Assessor's Office finishes processing them. The notice above will be updated to reflect our progress until all deeds through December 2019 are completed.

If you receive a tax notice for a property you sold in 2019, please disregard it. Once the ownership records are updated, the new owner will be notified of the taxes due.

If you did not receive a tax notice for property you owned before 2019, you may find the tax notice using the Treasurer's Property Records Search Application. Please search by address or PIN/Schedule#, if known. (See page 4)

### THE BACKYARD

# Columbine Hills News

**President's Corner** — Here's to Punxsutawney Phil – please bring us an early spring. Winter got a 6 weeks head start this past year; I wouldn't be offended if spring did as well.

Have you used our on-line method of signing up for CHCA membership yet? It's fast and easy and secure. Again, if you are not comfortable with that method simply cut out the form on the inside page of this newsletter and mail your check to us. Our yearly membership drive is underway; please consider being a supporting part of Columbine Hills Civic Association. Why become a supporter – thanks for asking. We do a lot with our money. Yes all the board members are paying members as well. But this time,

I need advice from YOU. You know we do lots of activities that are fun and build community, but we are looking for ideas above and beyond that. We would like to invest your dues back into the community physically as well. Please, give us some ideas of things you'd like to see us build or construct in our neighborhood. I often hear talk that the court at the corner of Depew and Canyon needs help. We specifically would love to hear your suggestions. You can mail suggestions along with your membership renewal or you can e-mail me directly at the address listed below. Please give us some great ideas. I'm looking forward to meeting many of you at the next chili cook-off and getting to chat with you about your ideas of how we can better the community. Be the kind of neighbor you wish you had.—Randy Montgomery, CHCA president rnmontgomery@att.net

## Columbine Knolls South II Review

From President's Letter The Annual Board Meeting went well. We used paper ballots for the vote on the 2020 budget, the nomination of the new board members, and the polling of the light issue. That took more time to check everyone in than was expected so the meeting started a half hour late. Sorry for the delay for those that attended. The proposed budget was approved, and two new board members were elected. The light installation in the park was passed by the board based on the feedback from the membership. This will use all the funding allocated for the Community Support line item on our budget of \$5,000. Thanks to Elizabeth Nelson-Hulse and Mary Kalney for presenting the pros and cons of this light installation. You both did a great job!

The new Board members are Andrea Elkins and Shane Reynolds who have both been in the HOA for a good while. Welcome to both as well as those who are returning to the Board. Those returning are Adam Blake, Pam Horiszny, Josh Kunkel, Chris Reynolds, and Tom Schicktanz. All are very capable representatives for our HOA community. It has been an honor and a privilege to work with each of them on this volunteer committee as well as Steve Kalney who is also leaving the Board. Thanks to Bob Pellegrini a previous years Board member for sharing his historical prospective at this meeting. It was great to see so many new faces last night.

Please remember to check the CKSII website for any information or updates before you call board members. Most of the time you may find your answer at cksii.org. Volunteer possibilities are always available for the Landscape Committee, Welcome Committee, as well as for our three events during the year so please consider helping our leads with all these efforts. As for me, being President these last two years has been a very educational and rewarding experience. I have met a lot of people and feel it like we have a great community that will help maintain CKSII as a place that people want to live in for a long time. Please remember to attend the next Board meeting and welcome in the new Board on April 14th. —Bob Haberkorn, President CKSII

### **Columbine West Civic Association Newsletter**

From A Moment With The Board Happy New Year everyone. The meeting was held at Dutch Creek Elementary and we welcomed a couple extra faces, had some awesome cookies and brownies while catching up with each other. We welcome Erin Danaher to the Board and appreciate the time and energy she has spent in the last few months as our Halloween & Holiday Lighting Contest Judge. Erin had no idea just how large Columbine West was when she bought her home in 2019 and moved from Virginia to Colorado. She was driven around the neighborhood by longtime residents who gave her an appreciation for the one square mile of homes. Erin brings with her Ginger, a faithful Shiba Inu furry family member, who loves to take walks around the neighborhood. Thank you Erin for joining the Board and bringing with you a fresh appreciation for everything Colorado has to offer. Her favorite past time is rafting and she has made many new friends with the rafting group. During the meeting, time was spent finalizing the menu offerings that will be available at the Members Mixer on Jan 29th and putting together our Calendar of Events for 2020. Bill W was able to secure a theater at Elvis Cinema for us to offer our own private Movie Night on February 23, 3:30 p.m., we will be viewing Toy Story 4. This movie was picked for its family friendly appeal and also some adult humor. The whole family should be equally entertained. This is the associations first time offering the Movie Night and we are excited to fill the theater. Our next event will be the Easter Egg Hunt, scheduled to be at the Columbine West Pool park on April 4th, 11 a.m. The March newsletter will feature

more details. 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. As always we would love to have more hands to address the many concerns in and around Columbine West. If you would like to join the efforts drop us an email or attend a monthly meeting. If you have questions or any suggestion of ideas feel free to email CWCAtalk @gmail.com. Residents are encouraged to attend any monthly meeting.

## **The Leawood Rapporter**

From LCA Minutes of January 7, 2020— Board members present: Paul O'Connor, Chip Langowski, Mike Karbach, Laurie Selander, Nancy Bock, Gina Severino, Debby Baker

Financial report was given by Mike Karbach. Details are printed in the Rapporter. There were several requests for reimbursement for signs, gift cards, and the bill for our website and email service. We received the Leawood Park Board contribution for the third dumpster at our clean-up day in 2019. Our funds are low and we will need to get our membership contributions going right away.

The board has no webmaster and will be looking into help from any resident or a family member of a board member. The Santa Party was a success. We had a record of 162 children visit Santa and Mrs. Claus. We gave out gifts of bells on a string and candy canes. Pinto Pictures took the pictures and gave out a free picture to each family. We supplied cookies, cuties and punch. Thank you to all of the volunteers who made this possible.

At this meeting we had no new residents that had paid their dues. The board will send out email messages to residents who paid last year and the Membership Banners will go up as well.

The board discussed guest articles in the Rapporter. It was decided that only residents can put articles in the Rapporter. Gina will report the Decorating Contest Winners in the February Rapporter. The board discussed putting a flier insert in the Rapporter for March. Nancy will talk to Rhonda about the cost as she has used that type of advertisement before. Nancy will start working on the Leawood Scholarships information for the March Rapporter.

New signs went up for the Decorating Contest. They were well received. Some of the addresses were difficult to read and there will be improvements for next year.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

From Leawood Metropolitan Recreation and Park District Minutes December 17, 2019 The Special meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. at the home of Linda Smith, 6417 S Gray Ct, by Vice President Linda Smith. Members present were: Donna Snyder/Treasurer, Debby Baker/Secretary, Steve Wall/Special Projects and Dave Padilla/ Parks Manager. Also in attendance were: Jennifer Churchich- Cook from Churchich Recreation and Marne Norquist from Weston Landscape. The special meeting was called to finalize equipment choices for the Weaver Park Re-development project. New Swings and Ten Spin: The equipment was chosen because of the limited space available. The space for the addition is a shaded area just west of the tennis courts. Rules and Regulations (ASTM F1487 and CPSC for public playground use) require a fall zone of 6 feet on both sides of the swings and 16 feet to the front and back. The ten spin requires a 20-foot diameter fall zone. To make the new area ADA accessible a new walkway will connect the existing sidewalk to an ADA access ramp.

Replacement of existing equipment: The new equipment will fit within the two existing footprints and are similar in concept to the existing equipment but with updated quality and modern designs. The upper area will remain for use of the 5 to 12-year-old group and the lower area will remain for the use of the 2 to 5-year old group.

Equipment has been ordered. Demolition of the area is expected to begin in mid-February with completion time of 2 to 3 months, depending on weather conditions. The entire Weaver Park play area will be closed during construction due to excavation and removal of existing gravel and existing equipment. Donna moved to finalize the plans and order equipment, Steve seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. A rendering of the new equipment will be posted in the Weaver Park Pavilion soon.

The Special meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m. — Deborah Baker, Acting Secretary

From Leawood Metropolitan Recreation and Park District Minutes January 8, 2020 The meeting was called to order at 6:38 p.m. at Leawood Elementary by President Kyle Sargent. Members present: Donna Snyder/Treasurer, Linda Smith/Vice President, Debby Baker/Secretary, Steve Wall/Special Projects and Dave Padilla/ Parks Manager. Residents present: Faye Gardner and Wade Harcey.

**Public Comment/Correspondence** - Faye Gardner expressed concern about the fall at Leawood Pavilion noted in the December minutes and printed in the Rapporter. Wade expressed interest in running for a Board position.

**Treasurer's Report** - Donna presented the Treasurer's report. Invoices for the month include Denver Water, United Site Services, Waste Management, Xcel, Colorado Special Districts Property and Liability Pool, Special Districts Association of Colorado, doggie bag vendor, 1&1 Internet Inc (website provider), Rich Alarcon, Dave's invoice and reimbursement to petty cash. Debby moved the Treasurer's report be received and bills paid, and the motion passed unanimously.

Parks Manager Report – Snow removal was done in all parks. All parks were inspected, and doggy bags replenished. A wear bar on the ATV was replaced and the plow blade was changed.

**New Business**—2020 Elections: Four Board positions are up for Election in 2020. The new term will be for only three years due to legislation moving elections for Special Districts from even years to odd years. A Self Nomination form is

available now and must be obtained and submitted to Debby Baker, the Designated Election Official ("DEO") no later than Friday February 28, 2020. An affidavit of intent to be a write-in candidate is also available and must be submitted to the DEO no later than Monday March 2, 2020.

**Old Business** Weaver Park play area - The new equipment has been ordered. The construction is expected to begin by early February, depending on weather conditions.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:03 p.m. — Deborah Baker, 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 The January Board meeting was held on January 15, 2020. The Board is preparing for a new year. We made it through January. Now we are into February, the Super Bowl, and into the 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. In addition to strengthening our relationships with existing neighbors, we also have the opportunity to forge relationships with new neighbors. A number of houses have gone on the market and have been sold. This is a wonderful opportunity for each and every one of us to welcome those who have moved into our neighborhood. There is a nice feel to the neighborhood, and this is due to the sense of community that each and every one of us shares with each other.

Our next Board meeting will be held on February 19, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. at the Clubhouse. Please contact Kim Herman with CLA at 303-265-7923 with any questions.—James Meyer, President

The Jefferson County Assessor's Office provides quality customer service by being courteous, respectful and informative while identifying, describing and valuing all property within Jefferson County in a fair, ethical, accurate and professional manner.

The Assessor is available anytime to present the Re-Appraisal Valuation and Assessment Process. Please contact the Assessor's Office to schedule.

From Engage Jeffco February Newsletter **Jeffco Commissioners Address Financial Realities**—Jefferson County had to cut its budget in 2020 by \$16.1 million. More cuts will need to be made in 2021 to achieve a balance budget and the county is investigating all areas for opportunities for efficiencies, reductions or eliminations. More information will be coming as the budget plan and process progresses.

Budget hearings are open to the public and the community can also see the county's Financial Transparency Portal on its website, which includes more information on the budget. You can also always reach out to your county commissioner - find your commissioner's contact information on the Board of County Commissioner's website. We will be posting updates on this page throughout the year and budget cycle.

https://www.jeffco.us/3362/OpenGov-Financial-Transparency-Portal: Jefferson County is committed to financial transparency. In this spirit, the county has provided the Jeffco OpenGov Financial Transparency Portal to give you, the county's stakeholders, a transparent view of how your funds are invested in the delivery of outstanding public programs and services. The OpenGov Financial Transparency Portal provides a one-stop shop for your financial data needs and includes data analysis/graphing functionality.

Powered by OpenGov, this tool provides user-friendly access to the county's financial data. This OpenGov Financial Transparency Tool provides employees and residents alike with the ability to see the county's current budget and five prior years of revenues and expenditures. To learn how to use the tool, review the OpenGov How-To Guide (which can be found under the 'Help' menu in the upper right corner of the portal); or use the other tools within the Help Menu for further explanation.

**Tips on Using the County's Financial Transparency Portal** The Jeffco OpenGov Financial Transparency Portal allows you to explore budget and historical finances in a simple graphical user interface. The main view includes a chart or graph, a legend and various controls to view expenses by departments out of various funds.

You'll notice the title of the chart or graph you are viewing on top along with the account type selector. You can use the filter to see the data that is of most interest to you.

To focus on specific data - like a fund, department, expense type, or any combination - look to the left and use the menu on the side panel. These selectors allow you to specify exactly what breakdown you want the graph or table to represent. When you select "Filtered By" the data filter pops up and allows you to turn on or turn off selected filters for that category - funds, departments, expenditure type.

Keep in mind that some departments or expenditures only receive fund from specific funds - if the department or ex-



The March 4th meeting speakers will be Principal Heather Keeton from Warren Tech & Warren Tech North Warren Tech Counselor Leslee Hampel. The meeting will be at Lilley Gulch Rec Center (6147 S. Holland Way, Littleton, CO 80123) at 7 pm.

penditure is not funded from a particular fund, it will be grayed out.

There are five different types of visual representations of the data - an area graph, an area graph by percentage, a line graph, a pie chart and a table. You can change your view at any time by simply selecting the different type of representation. The data will automatically convert. These functions are on the top right.

You can also download the data into a CSV spreadsheet or a PNG image.

You can share the data, in any view, on a social network or by email.

Jefferson County's main fund is the General Fund. The General Fund includes the Assessor, Clerk and Recorder, County Attorney, County Manager, Development and Transportation, District Attorney, Finance and IT, Human Services, Parks, Public Trustee, Sheriff and Treasurer. Some expenditures or revenues do not track year to year.

For example, there may be a one-time expenditure for a specific item or project in any given year that the county no longer uses. These expenditure categories will only be visible for the years they were used. After that, they will be zeroed out.

All information within our OpenGov Financial Transparency Portal begins with the year 2011.

From Engage Jeffco February Newsletter Be a Local Hero - Become a Volunteer Driver Seniors' Resource Center invites you to make a difference now in your community by providing rides for older adults. Great volunteer opportunity for retirees, stay at home parents and those with flexible schedules.

Rides to medical appointments, the grocery store and other critical needs are provided Monday - Friday from 8 am - 4 pm. Even an hour or two of your time will make a huge difference to an older adult. The gesture speaks volumes and new friendships will be made.

If you would like to volunteer please email Pat Pierson (PPierson@SRCaging.org) or call 303.332.3840.

From Engage Jeffco February Newsletter Sheriff Shares Quarterly Law Enforcement Authority Report— Sheriff Jeff Shrader presented the 2019 fourth quarter Law Enforcement Authority (LEA) Report to the Board of County Commissioners in January. The LEA Report includes crime statistics and law enforcement incidents, activities, and events that occurred between Oct. 1 - Dec. 31, 2019. This issue also highlights a deputy's daring rescue of residents from an apartment fire. The report can be read in its entirety here. (https://www.jeffco.us/ArchiveCenter/ViewFile/Item/474)