

NCA Regular Meeting
Jan 6th, 2010
Mt View Fire Station

PENDING APPROVAL

Attended By – Neal Anderson, Terry Larsen, Renae Dahiya, Pat Murphy, Heidi Storz, Mimi Bell, Leigh Charley, Will Hentschel, Steve Pischke

Call to order – 7:10pm.

Review and Approval of Minutes – November minutes need approval. No meeting in December.

MVFPD - Steve Pischke reported they have almost made a decision about staffing at the Mt View Fire Station location and said that if they run an engine out of this location, they will put a paramedic on the engine and no longer run an ambulance from this location. The arrival of an ambulance would be approximately 8 minutes in this case for our Area. A paramedic would arrive on the fire truck much sooner.

Additionally, annual goals have been defined and he will bring them to next months meeting. They are revamping their internet technology, plan to refurbish 1 and buy 1 ambulance. They are doing everything by case on the barrel head which is creating a challenge for them in funding the building of the Erie fire station which is estimated to cost 2 million to build a 6500 SF facility.

County Actions

- **Road Maintenance** – Discussions continue with Boulder County on the responsibility of road maintenance. We believe that Boulder County should pay for residential road maintenance not the neighborhoods. Work continues on this issue.
- **House Size** – Pat reported to Boulder County at a meeting that the 125% house limit is too restrictive for the Niwot area and that some older homes in need of renovation are not being sold and renovated because of this restriction. Also home owners trying to improve their homes are frustrated and unable to improve their homes as they would like to because of this.
- **Niwot Park**- New plans for the Park across from Whistle Stop Park have been submitted to Boulder County. Will Hentschel reported that residents are currently concerned about maintenance responsibilities associated with the future park and had some initial concerns about the location of the restroom facility but this is no longer their primary issue. Boulder County asked for plans to be resubmitted to address resident concerns about the restroom location and the project is stalled. Neal suggested the NCA draft a letter to Boulder County encouraging them to proceed with the project without new plans if indeed the residents are content with the new plans.
- **Railroad Crossing at 2nd Ave** – A resident has pointed out that the railroad crossing at 2nd and Hwy 119 is in need of repair. Quiet zone crossings are planned by RTD for the FasTracks system for the crossings both at Monarch and 2nd ave but not the 83rd street crossing. FasTracks construction for the Boulder to Longmont corridor would be complete before 2017 at the earliest.
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Treasurer's Report – Terry gave the treasurers report and stated that essential were able to cover the cost of Nostalgia Day this year with \$36 to spare. We discussed formation of a 501c-3 and why the NCA is not a 501c-3 due to that fact that we take political positions. We discussed issues sponsors have with donating to help fund events because of our organizational structure even though businesses can deduct donations as advertising expenses. Ideas such as asking for Sponsors/Advertisers on our forms going forward were shared.

Niwot Central/Website Status/Communications – Renae gave a demo of the new Niwot.org website with the board accepting the new direction. Work will continue on both the website, the social site and face book. No report from Christina on communications.

Membership Drive – Neal has committed to having a draft of the letter from the president ready by the next board meeting for approval. The membership drive needs to include the election ballots as well. We discussed going house to house in February this year to reach our goal of 300 people this year. Heidi, Curtis Jones and Renae have volunteered to walk door to door.

Funding Sources - Longmont Council of the Arts, LID, Other – No update on the Longmont Council of the Arts or LID requests. Pat volunteered to write up two list requests for next years Nostalgia Event 1) \$2000 to cover costs and 2) \$1500 contingent on a tree carving ceremony. We discussed reaching out to other local organizations such as the NCAA to see if they can help us with funding.

Annual Meeting and Elections: Tentatively schedule for March 3rd, 7pm at the Grange (Neal to check on this). Positions for even years are up for election: President (currently Neal), Secretary (currently Renae), Trails and Open Space (currently Heidi), Business (Currently Pat), Area 2 (open), Area 4(open), VP (open). We discussed a town hall format for this meeting and inviting all HOA's to attend to spread awareness of NCA issues being addressed.

Community Wellness Day – Leigh Charley reported that on May 8th from 12 – 3:00 a Community Wellness Day event is scheduled. Proceeds will go to Habitat for Humanity and this is going to be a huge event covering a broad list of wellness needs including Health, Fire, Financial, Identity Theft and more. The event will be promoted in Niwot, Longmont and Gunbarrel. They are looking for sponsors, donors, and volunteers. Contact Leigh at LeighCharley@aol.com or call her at 303-652-6700. Yolanda Garcia from Ajuua is also helping Leigh with this event.

New Action Items

- Renae to work with Pat to compile a list of HOA's and for those who give permission, we will post them on the Niwot.org website.
- Heidi to work with Niwot High and Boulder County to set cleanup day as May 15 or May 22.
- Terry to submit application to county for Nostalgia Day which will be Saturday Sept 11th this year.
- Neal to get with Hossein to write up sponsor/advertiser letters and send them out to the events key sponsors to ensure inclusion in business budgets: Niwot Inn, Bank of West, Xilinx.
- Pat to make the LID request at February's LID meeting.
- Neal to contact the Grange for March 3rd annual meeting date.

Open Action Items

- Neal to write letter from president for membership drive.
- Terry to move LID funds to new category
- Renae to generate website traffic reports (Niwot.org and niwotcentral.com)
- Pat to write the LID funding request for 2010 Nostalgia Day Event
- Renae to make road Sign to promote NiwotCentral
- Curtis will email out letter from President and walk Area to sign members
- Renae will setup NCA bulletin board in Niwot Market and post NCA current events and website info.
- Hossein is working on membership drive mailing
- Christina is working on monthly newsletter and communications
- Liz is planning a party of some kind...
- People to attend Boulder County Budget and Road Maintenance meetings

Adjourn – 8:40pm