

Niwot Community Association (NCA) Meeting
Wednesday 04 September 2013, MVFPD Station #4, 8500 Niwot Road, Niwot, Colorado

Attendees: Dick Piland, David Limbach, Kathy Koehler, Cindy Butler, Diane Zimmermann, Julie Breyer, Kristi Mecca, Pat Murphy, Hoosein Toolee, Heidi Storz, Judy Seaborn, Liz Schmidt, Steve Pischke, Kim Glasscock (LHVC)

Call to Order: 7:01 PM by Dick.

Thank you: Dick thanked David for his leadership these past few months.

Minutes: Approved for August meeting. Minutes will be posted on the NCA web site. Kathy reported that she filed all the final paperwork and that the Niwot LID approved the request for funds to support the 4th of July Parade.

Treasurer Report: Cindy presented an overall review of the operating budget, balance and cash flow. The data for bulk rate mailing from the US Post Office vs another service provider was discussed. It was agreed that the NCA will use another service for bulk mailing in 2014.

Membership: Judy presented a draft mission statement that she and Diane have created. It was discussed and inputs were requested. They will have another draft for review at the next meeting. Discussion and ideas were presented as to whether the NCA would be interested in conducting surveys from the website, Survey Monkey, Constant Contact or another service. The topics would be approved in advance along with careful wording for the survey if it is decided to proceed. No subscription costs had been obtained. David and Dick reported that there are several boxes or membership envelopes and we should take some to all events we organize and perhaps charge only 50% since the membership drive is at the time of the Annual Meeting in March/April.

Special Events:

- **Rock N Rails, tip jar:** Kathy reported that the donations received will cover the cost of the paint for the underpass mural work this year. Thank you to the volunteers who worked that evening and the new NCA shirts received many positive comments.
- **Left Handers Day / Week:** David reported that the NBA organized a very successful and profitable event and the work and use of the traffic signs went smoothly.
- **Niwot High School Homecoming Parade:** David reported that the parade is this Friday. NHS Coach Duffy and staff members have coordinated support volunteers for the signs. NCA will be at the Grange to facilitate the use of the traffic signs.
- **Monarch Trail Project:** Heidi reviewed the history that the NCA is steward with Boulder County for this specific open space area. She reported that the project is on track for Saturday 21 September, 9:00 AM to noon and to meet at the Monarch Park trail head parking lot on the south side of Monarch Road, east of 79th. She is in contact with Boulder County Open Space and they will work out the specific tasks of the project when they know an approximate number of volunteers.
- **Neighborhood Ice Cream Social:** Diane is planning an ice cream social for her neighborhood from 6:00-7:30 PM on September 19 and would like as many NCA Board members to come as possible.

Communications: Hossein showed a draft of the new NCA web site on the screen so everyone could see. He explained the ideas for the site and requested any feedback. Everyone had positive comments on the new design and some discussion followed. He will continue to work on it and bring updates as he and David move forward to enhance the site.

David reported that the LHVC was not open to the NCA having a monthly column in the paper, but that they are open to covering the NCA activities and events when they take place.

Area Representatives: Pat introduced the idea of creating a NCA package for new people in the community. This was discussed and now we need to consider an information flier or just what the package would contain.

Roads PID: Dick reported that Boulder County Transportation management will present information at a meeting on Wednesday 18 September with the final community informative meeting on Wednesday 23 October. Both meetings will be at the Rocky Mountain Christian Church beginning at 7:00 PM. Then Dick explained what the “surplus funds” are that the County has about which many groups are circulating in their campaigns against the County PID. This information is one learning point for the September meeting.

Land Use Issues: Pat reported that the Boulder County Land Use issues are coming to the forefront more and more. In the past few weeks two potential new Niwot area residents decided to buy in Lafayette because of the County building restrictions on houses they wanted to purchase. A committee was formed to work on a list of land use issues that impact this unincorporated area.

Colorado City Connector Monorail: Dick will respond to Dr. Williamson with SkyTran Colorado and then we can decide if we want to host a public information meeting in Niwot to learn about the possible monorail system along Highway 119.

Niwot High School Yearbook Advertisement: The Board voted not to place an advertisement in the NHS yearbook and we will continue to donate directly to NHS organizations that work with us on projects in the community.

Mailbox Locations, Overbrook I: Dick explained that some of the mailboxes in the original residential area are in Federal violation of the American Disability Act since they are in the pathway in sidewalks. Discussion followed.

Community Volunteer Committee: David reported that there was a request from Tony Santelli, President of the NBA, for the NCA to form a committee from which events could request coordination of volunteers for an activity. Discussion followed and David will report back that this is not part of our charter and that the NCA will continue to support community events organized by other groups, but not be a resource committee for community volunteers.

NCA By-Laws, Rewriting: Dick and Kathy will complete rewriting the By-Laws this fall with drafts brought to the NCA Board for approval.

PK-12 State Income Tax Initiative 22: Dick reminded the Board that Debbie Lammers, SVVSD Board Member, will attend NCA October meeting to talk about PK-12 State Income Tax, Initiative 22. There was some discussion about the tax and Julie stated that as much studying of the tax by staff at Niwot Elementary it appears to not be well written.

Area 5 Representative, Nominations: There are no nominations at this point. The possible candidate that Kristen spoke to is not interested. Cindy is going to talk to some people she knows who live in that area to see if they are interested.

Niwot Elementary School Traffic: Kathy reported that the congestion and backups are less. There is less congestion on Morton Road, but there is still parking on both sides of the street on Morton Road, Walker Road and Monarch Road. It is still a working task, but the school Principal, Boulder County Transportation and Sheriff's Dept was supposed to meet in the coming week.

Community Organization Representatives: Steve reported that the digital sign at Station #4 will be turned on within the month and wanted to thank the community for letters of support for the sign.

Topics From The Floor:

- **4th of July event:** It was voted to table voting on whether to organize the 4th of July parade in 2014.
- **Niwot Nostalgia Day:** It was voted to table voting on whether to organize the event in 2014.
- **National Night Out:** It was decided that we will table this idea at this time. We will look into possibly being a partner with MVFPD and Boulder County Sheriff's Department for Niwot participation in this national event in summer 2014.

Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned by Dick at 9:07 PM.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is: Wednesday 02 October 2013, 7:00 PM, MVFPD Station #4.

Submitted by Kathy Koehler, Secretary