



**Niwot Community Association (NCA) Meeting  
Wednesday 06 August 2014, MVFPD Station #4, 8500 Niwot Road, Niwot, Colorado**

**Attendees:** David Limbach, Kathy Koehler, Cindy Butler, David Manting, Pat Murphy, Diane Zimmermann, Kim Glasscock (LHVC) and NCA member Laurie Adams

**Call to Order:** 7:03 PM by DavidL.

**Minutes:** Approved for July meeting. Minutes will be posted on the NCA web site.

**Treasurer's Report:**

- **Financial Report** -
  - Cindy reviewed the annual budget numbers along with current financial report.
- **Deposits** - Cindy showed the deposits from Rock & Rails' Tip Jar, the pancake breakfast on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July along with new memberships.
- **Pay Pal Web Support for Membership** -
  - o This account is being used for new memberships in addition to the USPS membership envelopes received.

**Chairman's Report:**

- **Underpass Mural Vandalism** -
  - o DavidL reported for Dick that the reward donations for apprehension and conviction of the vandals is still confirmed.

**Vice Chairman's Report:**

- **Subdivision Road Paving LID Invalidated** -
  - o DavidL led the discussion regarding the recent court ruling that the Unincorporated Boulder County Subdivision Road Paving LID was invalid. The County is in the process of refunding monies received for this LID. DavidM asked if the NCA should make a public statement regarding this action. Following the open discussion it was decided that the NCA will not make any statement until we see the closing action by the Boulder County Commissioners.
- **Sustainability Tax Off Ballot** -
  - o DavidL reviewed that the proposed sustainability tax that was to be on the November ballot is not happening at this time.
- **Boulder Municipalization Progress** -
  - o DavidL reported that this action does not currently impact many in the NCA area and is still in process going forward.
- **Road Signs for Left Handers Day** -
  - o DavidL reported that the scheduled pick up and return of the road signs along with the First Aid Kit are finalized with the Niwot Business Association for this Saturday's Left Handers Day event.
- **Old Community Grills Stored At The Grange** -
  - o DavidL reported that some folks thought the grills were NCA property while others thought they had been acquired by another organization. Kathy confirmed from a 6PM Grange meeting that there is an interested buyer of the grills and for the trailer that hauls them. The Grange is proceeding to close with the buyer and any proceeds will come back into the community.

**Secretary's Report:**

- **Underpass Mural Cleanup** -
  - o Two of the mural artists have been working to restore the damage to the painting. A new coat of spar urethane will be applied to help protect the mural. Boulder County Open Space has painted with gray paint over the tagging on the cement walls on the west side of the ditch along with ~10 feet of the ledge on the east side of the ditch. Kathy has obtained a bucket of the Open Space paint so that the top ledge above the mural on the short wall can be painted the whole way to match the cement walls west of the ditch. This will also receive a coat of spar urethane for protection in case of future vandalism.
- **140<sup>th</sup> Year Anniversary of the Left Hand Grange #9** -



- o Kathy reported that the Grange is in its 140<sup>th</sup> year in Niwot. The Grange had invited other Colorado Granges for a lunch to honor the anniversary in early September, but the lunch is being cancelled indefinitely. The Grange officers do not know at this time whether it will be rescheduled for later this year.

#### **Committee Reports:**

##### **- Area Representatives -**

- o DavidM requests any posters or other communications be sent to him so he can make copies and post in his area. He said that having the copy of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July poster made it easy for him to post so residents knew about the event.
- o The ice cream social or other area events were discussed. Pat said that a smaller distribution seemed to work well when she hosted the ice cream social as it was a good size group for conversations. Diane reported that she hand delivered fliers to her whole area, posted signs on the entrance roads and the small group of 20-25 who came were able to meet each other and visit. DavidM will plan to host some sort of event in his area in the early fall. DavidL encouraged Board members to attend these events whenever possible.

##### **- At Large Representatives -**

- o No representatives were present.

##### **- Niwot Business LID Representative -**

- o Representative was not present and the Business LID meeting was cancelled for August.

##### **- Subdivision Roads LID Representative -**

- o No report this month.

##### **- Events:**

- o 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade - Kathy reported that Julie is finalizing the report to the Niwot Business LID for funding and will present it at the September LID meeting. There will also be a complete wrap up report for the NCA September meeting. Kathy asked for any suggestions on how to 'corral or reign in' children on bicycles to not take off on their own and ride free lance next to other entries in the parade. This year those who decided to ride ahead of the decorated bike section of the parade on their own created a safety concern when they rode near the horses and vehicles. Another safety issue that will be re-addressed is that no candy is to be thrown from vehicles as children dart out into the street without concern about any on-coming parade entry. Parade entries have always been encouraged to hand out candy to viewers by walking along the parade route, but for some reason this year there were treats being thrown from entries which creates a safety issue for the parade. This will all be discussed in wrap up report next month. DavidL will start a Fourth of July document for Julie to complete with notes on the event that we can use as a starting point for next year.

##### **- Membership:**

- o No report.

##### **- Communications:**

- o DavidL reported that the website continues to have updates. He proposes a possible survey on 'downtown Niwot parking' and perhaps regarding 'mosquito control' in the Niwot area.

##### **- Trails and Open Space:**

- o Trails and Open Space Planning Meeting, Wednesday 13 August, 5-7PM, Left Hand Grange. Kathy and Heidi Storz will represent the NCA at the meeting and DavidL encouraged other Board members to attend. Kathy handed out some Niwot trails maps that Boulder County printed. They have all current trails in the Niwot area along with a section on the history of Niwot contributed by Anne Dyni of the Niwot Historical Society and local historian.
- o DavidL reported that the annual NCA / Boulder County Open Space project is still planned for Saturday 18 October.

##### **- Planning Subcommittee Report:**

- o No report.

##### **- Announcements / Agenda Items From The Floor:**

- o Kathy suggested that we put some of the proceeds from the 4<sup>th</sup> of July breakfast back into the community for new tables at future breakfasts and events. Pat said that chairs would probably be rented for events because of storage issues if the community was to purchase them. DavidL asked Pat to come to the September meeting with a proposed amount for the cost of the new tables that are needed and we can address a motion of support at that time.



- o Pat reported that the 'hear say' on the street is that the sale of the property for possible use as a marijuana grow facility is no longer happening. Kathy reported that she learned at the NBA Executive Meeting that the sale was delayed a couple of weeks from the proposed July 31<sup>st</sup> closing. Discussion followed regarding the possible use of the property. DavidL reminded attendees that the survey results which the NCA sponsored were shared with the office of the Boulder County Commissioners and the property realtor. It was concluded that there is nothing more for the NCA to do at this time.

**NCA Representatives' Reports:**

**- NBA Liaison:**

- o Representative was not present, but Kathy updated the meeting about the upcoming Left Handers Day on Saturday 09 August and that Jazz on 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave is the following Saturday. This year Left Handers Day has put forth a major effort for more activities for children and promoting the event as a family day. Volunteers are still needed for both events.

**- MVFPD Liaison:**

- o No representative was present.

**Adjourned:** The meeting was adjourned by DavidL at 8:12 PM.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is: Wednesday 03 September 2014, 7:00 PM, MVFPD Station #4.

Submitted by Kathy Koehler, Secretary