



Niwot Community Association (NCA) Meeting
Wednesday 05 November 2014, MVFPD Station #4, 8500 Niwot Road, Niwot, Colorado

Attendees: Dick Piland, Kathy Koehler, Cindy Butler, Diane Zimmermann, Laura Skaggs, David Manting, Julie Breyer, Leonard Sitongia (NCA member), Debbie Lammers (SVVSD Board Member, NCA member and guest speaker), Kim Glasscock (LHVC).

Call to Order: 7:05 PM by Dick. Dick introduced Debbie and welcomed Leonard as a new NCA member who might have an interest in serving as Area 1 Representative.

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

SVVSD Board Member: Debbie thanked the NCA for the opportunity to update the members up on the school district's progress. She also serves on a team at the State education level for issues being addressed for school safety, training for lock down situations and mental health. She provided an overview of the SVVSD. SVVSD students are achieving at a high level when compared to many districts in Colorado. "Common Core" testing is a new process and learning how to test with this method on computers is a challenge for students, especially in districts that do not have internet and computers on which students can test.

Treasurer's Report:

- **Financial Report** -
 - Cindy reviewed the annual budget numbers along with the current financial report. Financials were approved.
- **Deposits / Checks Written** - There were a couple new memberships in USPS and on PayPal. Cindy proposed that memberships received during the last quarter of the year be applied to the next year's membership drive. This was seconded and passed.
- **Hats / Shirts** -
 - o Cindy will bring a brochure to the next meeting for the Board to see and vote on possible new shirts that have the new NCA logo on them for Board members to wear at future events.

Chairman's Report:

- **Road Closure Events in the Community** -
 - o Dick reported that there are two community events that are taking place annually that are not following the Boulder County Event Planning process and regulations. The NCA will continue to help out with the community purchased road signs for these events when requested because of the concern for the best safety for those pedestrians who might be walking in the street for the 'parade' portion of the event. Dick also will request a meeting with Tony Santelli, NBA President, to understand what can be done in the future so the NBA sponsored events follow the current Boulder County planning process. The NCA has the blueprint for all the paperwork and road signage that has been approved by Boulder County and has offered to share and work with local events for the overall safety of the events. The Niwot High School Homecoming Parade has used the plan and the NCA has worked with them with the road signs which has been successful for the past two homecoming parades.
- **2015 Goals and Objectives Input for December Meeting** -
 - o Dick requested input for the Goals and Objectives be brought to the next meeting or sent to Dick in advance of the meeting.

Vice Chairman's Report: (no report at this meeting)

- **Boulder County Commissioner District 3 Candidate Forum** -
 - o Discussion and comments from the meeting sponsored by the NCA were shared. Consensus from discussion was that the forum was a good event for the community which was attended by property owners outside the Niwot area, too. Keeping the meeting at a positive level that was courteous to all candidates with equal time for each candidate as established prior the forum was handled well. DavidL was a good moderator, Diane ran the clock with notice to candidates and with Dick and



DavidM near the doors to monitor the audience participation worked well. The NCA should continue to sponsor events like this that make current information available when it can impact Niwot residents.

Secretary's Report:

- **Underpass Mural Cleanup** -
 - o Ellen Haswell was very appreciative of the dinner card coupon from the NCA for her leadership on the underpass mural cleanup from vandalism during the summer. She and her grandson were looking forward to wearing the NCA caps.
- **2015 NCA Board Monthly Meeting Dates** -
 - o Kathy has secured dates on the first Wednesday of each month in 2015 with the MVFPD for use of the Station #4 meeting room for NCA meetings. She will send the list of dates to Board members in a separate e-mail for them to put on their calendars.
- **Boulder County Fracking Forum** -
 - o Kathy shared information regarding an open speaking opportunity on the subject of fracking in Boulder County to be held on Monday 10 November in Longmont that is sponsored by Clean Water Action with headquarters in Denver, a letter outline of the issue from them that could be sent to the Boulder County Commissioners and information on a hearing with the BCC on Thursday 13 November at 9:30AM in the BCC hearing room in Boulder. Diane offered to scan the letter and distribute. If anyone wants to send a note to the BCC, that opportunity is always available on their website via an e-mail.

Committee Reports:

- **Area Representatives** -
 - o Area 1 Representative, open position. Leonard shared that he would be interested in this position. He and his wife have purchased a house and are in the process of moving to the area.
 - o DavidM said that he is still sharing information with his area residents, but there has not been an opportunity for an area social with home owners this fall.
- **At Large Representatives** -
 - o No report.
- **Niwot Business LID Representative** -
 - o Laura reported that the LID did not meet this month, but are scheduled for a December meeting so she will report any information at that time.
- **Subdivision Roads LID Representative** -
 - o Dick reported that he met with Boulder County Commissioner Deb Gardner on Monday for an hour regarding the possible methods to fund Boulder County unincorporated roads now and in the future. One of the questions Deb asked Dick was whether the NCA would sponsor a Public Improvement District (PID) for the Niwot area. She reported that the BCC was considering borrowing the \$30M for roads via a bond issue. Discussion followed.
 - o Road rehabilitation objectives for 2015 and NCA survey results: Dick projected the survey chart results so everyone could view. The survey questions, along with analyzing the chart results and comments submitted were discussed.
 - o Dick said that he committed to share the survey information with Deb so he would compose a letter to summarize the survey for the BCC, include three points of funding action suggestions and send the copy of the survey charts and comments from those submitted by NCA members taking the survey. Close to ¼ of NCA members responded to the survey.
- **Events:**
 - o 4th of July Parade - Julie reported that she will submit the receipts for the event to the Niwot LID for business related expenses. She has a conflict to attend the next LID meeting so Kathy will provide copies and represent the NCA at the meeting.
 - o Holiday event on Saturday 29 November in Niwot. Julie said she would have candy canes available to hand out at the event and asked for volunteers to help from 11 AM – 12:30 PM. She would set up a table near the Grange and Dick reported that a new NCA logo banner in blue has been ordered and can be used on the table for that event and future events.
- **Membership:**
 - o 2015 cost projections need to be planned. It is anticipated that Judy Seaborn will resign the office and it might be practical to have this as a co-chair position. Overall coordination of the membership drive is necessary and Cindy voiced concern



that one person is challenged to enter all the membership data when it is received so perhaps having two people in this position would be practical. Kathy would continue to pick up mail at the Niwot post office and forward the payments to Cindy for deposits and the membership forms to that chairperson(s). Memberships via PayPal will also be received this year. The membership information then needs to be entered into the Excel database spreadsheet along with verifying the correct e-mail information is entered for mass NCA mailings.

- **Communications:**

- o No report.

- **Trails and Open Space:**

- o No report.

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

- o Pancake breakfast proceeds for folding tables. Dick met with Bert Steele of Niwot Market who is the chairman of the pancake breakfasts that happen in conjunction with local events. Bert would be appreciative if we could purchase ten tables for use at future events since that resource for events is minimal at this time. Julie asked that Dick also purchase a folding six foot table for NCA use. Currently we continue to ask to borrow David Limbach's personal table for the 4th of July, the Halloween and the Holiday events in Niwot along with the area representative neighborhood social events so it would be good for the NCA to have a table. The purchases of tables was agreed to and passed.

NCA Representatives' Reports:

- **NBA Liaison:**

- o Linda Klueber reported to Dick that she needs to resign the position and suggested that Kathy report on NBA announcements since she is the NCA representative on the NBA executive committee.
- o Kathy reported that: Rev. Taylor's building is under contract for sale and closure is anticipated in mid-November, an interested buyer is looking for ~3,000 square feet for use as a specialty menu restaurant, Bootstrap Brewery has all their new Boulder County permits to add to their existing space and is moving forward with their building expansion, for the street scape in Old Town Niwot there is a proposal to plant up to a total of five trees along the west side of 2nd Ave on the north side of the street, the lamp posts will be painted as weather permits, there was a record setting profit to NCAA and NBA who co-sponsored Rock & Rails this summer and it is anticipated that much of the profit will be invested in upgrades and improvements in Whistle Stop Park, and the NBA is looking for a chairman of Left Hander's Day event which is being moved from August to the first Saturday in September following Labor Day.

- **MVFPD Liaison:**

- o No representative was present.

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

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

Submitted by Kathy Koehler, Secretary