

Niwot Community Association (NCA) Meeting Minutes July 06, 2016 Mountain View Fire Protection District #4-Niwot Station

- 1. Call to Order Piland called meeting to order at 7:02 Attendance:
  - 1. Tom Sesnic
  - 2. Kathy Koehler
  - 3. David Limbach
  - 4. Dick Piland
  - 5. Dave Manting
  - 6. Pat Murphy
  - 7. Laura Skaggs
  - 8. Julie Bryer
  - 9. Amy Tallent (MVFPD)
  - 10. Nicholas Whitaker
- 2. Quorum Established yes
- 3. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting: 6/1/2016 Piland moves to approve minutes. Seconded and approved.
- 4. Mountain View Fire/Rescue Annual Report Amy Tallent presented. Annual report provided in hard copy. Amy stated that MV has been in service since 1961. MV serves Niwot. Top stories of 2015 include fire prevention month in October of 2015. They taught 1500 kids. They handled responses to serious accidents including a diesel truck rollover. They also responded to a fire in Erie which was in the ceiling while the family was sleeping. MCI training to help in mass injury/fatality situation. MV has no debt to

the district and finances its operations through mill levy and wild land call outs. Wild land call outs brought in \$650000 in revenue. They do not intend to purchase any bonds. They had 1700 emergency calls and 3500 total calls. They received an energy impact grant and a grant to build a radio signal tower in Niwot. They're insurance service rating was lowered last year, which is good. They are trying to eliminate paper in their operations. They certified 280 people last year in Cpr. They performed 170 car seat checks too. They also bought a bus to transport Sparky. They have a new book to give to children to encourage safety. 911 texting question was asked but was not implemented. Possible chili supper could happen this year. Limbach complimented Amy on community feedback and responsiveness. Piland asked about purchasing an AED. Amy said MV can provide training. Piland expressed appreciation for use of the room. There was an accident during the 4th of July parade and MV handled it.

5. 4th of July Recap: Brever stated that things went smoothly. There was candy throwing which is prohibited in Boulder County. There were more participants and spectators than ever before. There were some new acts as well. People stuck around this year. Only one group showed up that had not registered. They were accommodated. No goats this year. Two articles were written and the event was advertised. They got good publicity including in the Longmont Times Call top 5. Almost everyone on the board showed up to volunteer. The signs are off of Niwot Road and the flags are collected and stored. Kathy stated that Last year's flags were from China and were of low quality. The new flags are much better. Overall everything went beautifully. The parade was 22 minutes long. Children's park will be open next year and the parade should be rerouted in that direction next year. The family who donated the land for the park may be nominated for grand marshal next year. There may be beer served at the event next year. Football team was selling water, and Sesnic thought it would be better not to sell out of the back of the parade truck. Brever agreed. It would be better if they had a stand. They may need port a potties next year. The social media posts of the event also helped publicize it. Piland heard that making more trash receptacles available could be helpful. There was not too much trash collected this year. Piland also heard that the trash from the pancake breakfast was going to the landfill. If the concerned citizen would like to volunteer to make it a zero waste event, he/she would be welcome to. Eco cycle charges for "zero waste" events. Breyer has been doing the parade for 4 years. The parade helps to promote Niwot's small town feel. Piland presented Breyer with a flower arrangement on behalf of the board as a token of our appreciation. Murphy said the pancake breakfast served 700 people and they took in \$5100. The lines were manageable by separating the drinks from the pancake area. There were plenty of tables and chairs. They ran low on sausage at the end. Question of whether to make gluten free pancakes next year. Some people come from out of the area. They need a few more volunteers to help on the line. The tip jar only goes to Mary Jo but the proceeds go to the NCA. Cheerleaders and mascots must be paid. They may need shuttle service to the event if it continues to grow. Some cars were parked almost all the way up to 83rd.

- 6. Nomination of New Board Member: Nicholas Whittaker would like to join the board. He is on the board at Cottonwood Park West. He is from NY and moved to Boulder than to Niwot. He works for Google. His wife is self employed. He would like to become more involved in the community. He is putting on a presentation at the Boulder Public Library on July 9 and 10. Whittaker was nominated and approved to be an at large member of the board.
- 7. Treasurer's Report: Terry is in AZ and there will be no financial report this time.
- 8. Chairman's Report: Heidi Storz ran the clean up day and did a good job. She will get flowers from the board. Limbach was the membership chairman and he got a gift certificate to Bootstrap. The

Commissioners approved the pot shop and Piland is glad it is over. Piland went through old files and found floppy disks and historic items. He condensed three boxes into one. Piland will be spending time in Grand County during the month of August. He will return in early September. Would anyone like to chair the August meeting? Other members think it might be good to skip the August meeting. Motion to skip August meeting made and seconded. Jazz on 2nd Avenue takes place in September and Homecoming too.

- 9. Vice Chairman's Report: No report.
- 10. Secretary's Report: Secretary has received the key to PO Box 72. Notes are being kept on iPad and will be electronically forwarded to other members.
- 11. Business LID: Skaggs meets to consider and provide funding. They did fund Jazz on 2nd AVenue. The festival will occur on 9/16-9/17. They continue to fund economic development. There is an RFP for an economic development director which will be open until the end of July. They met yesterday and there were no new funding requests. They discussed upcoming meeting with the Boulder County Commissioners. They will present the state of business in Niwot which is experiencing an economic upturn. Parking is an issue and that will be discussed with the Commissioners. Pete Salas a staffer from the County has put in a request for their budget next year and they are looking for \$133000. This represents 80% of what they take in. The remaining 20% is to be held in a rainy day fund. Burlington Northern has been in communication regarding potential use of their right of way. Murphy stated that the neighbors need to be involved. There is no code language that would even allow for a parking lot. Twyla is sitting in for her husband tonight.
- 12. NBA: No
- 13. Committee Reports: Pat Murphy said that a neighbor is building an unusual structure for a disabled son. Planning and Land Use allows the committee to comment on proposed changes. If you add more than 1000 square feet you have to go through review. Murphy does

not like the County's restrictive development philosophy. Dave Manting said new families came to the parade from the Lake Valley area. NCA Park Bench has still not been delivered. It is supposed to be installed on the corner where the hands are on 79th and Niwot Road. They will meet tomorrow and see where things go. Limbach completed the road survey. No new taxes was the most popular option with almost 70% saying they would not favor new taxes for subdivision road repair. Most people believed the county had adequate funds and had allowed the roads to fall into a state of disrepair. We can't seem to get the County to resurface the roads and they will not reprioritize the roads. Limbach met with William Bond who was the vet who received the walking stick. Bond was a cook in the Navy on a destroyer in the 1950's. Bond lives on a 113 acre plot and gave Limbach's a tour, which included a lake.

- 14. Subdivision Roads: BoCO Firm has been challenging the County in court to force it to resurface subdivision roads. BoCO Firm lost in the Court of Appeals because the Judge's felt the members lacked standing to pursue the lawsuit. They are considering filing a writ of certiorari with the Colorado Supreme Court. The County has been working with the HOA in Pinebrook Hills to put a property tax increase that will be used to resurface the roads. When more people put money in it is cheaper to resurface the roads. If the LID passed \$10M would be raised and then redistributed to different parts of the county. Piland thinks a LID would be a good idea because most of the property taxes are paid by the metropolitan areas, which would be subsidizing those who live in the more rural areas. The Commissioner's may be considering extending the consumption tax for the purchase of open space, and have half of it go to sustainability projects and the other half to open space. There are two commissioners who are standing for re-election, Deb Gardner, who is being challenged by Paul Danish. Someone from South Boulder is running against Jones.
- 15. No agenda items from the floor.

16. Meeting was adjourned.