



Niwot Community Association (NCA) Meeting
Wednesday 12 August 2015, MVFPD Station #4, 8500 Niwot Road, Niwot, Colorado

Attendees: David Limbach, Kathy Koehler, John Barto, Tom Sesnic, David Manting, Heidi Storz, Kim Glasscock (LHVC), guest Kimberly Gibbs (Citizens For Quiet Skies), guests Norm Klapper and Helen Toper (Stop The Train Horns)

Call to Order: 7:02 PM by DavidL.

Minutes: Approved for July 1 meeting. Minutes will be posted on the NCA web site.

Guest:

- o **Kimberly Gibbs** - Kimberly serves as the organizer for the *Citizens For Quiet Skies* which is a Boulder County citizen group that supports reasonable regulations to reduce aviation noise in our community. They are particularly concerned about the noise impact from Mile-Hi skydiving operations on rural residential neighborhoods from planes out of Vance Brand Airport in Longmont. She spoke to the issue with a presentation, handout sheets and questions / answers followed.

Guests:

- o **Norm Klapper and Helen Toper** - Norm is the organizer for a new group of citizens who are concerned and bothered by the 95-108 decibel of train horns. The decibel level has recently increased. Currently he is calling the group, "Stop The Train Horns!" He would like the railroad crossings at 83rd, 2nd Ave, Niwot Rd and Monarch Rd to be designated as "silent crossings." He is just starting his campaign and will return to the NCA Board October meeting with a presentation and update on his progress for this issue.

Treasurer's Report:

- o **Financial Report** - Treasurer pro tem Terry Larsen was not at the meeting. Updated report requested for September meeting. Kathy deposited the \$500 refund from Boulder County Event Planning for the 4th of July parade application along with the check for \$825.49 for the Rock & Rails tip jar for NCA projects: the underpass mural and 4th of July bike decorations.

Chairman's Report:

- o **No updates** - Dick was not at the meeting.

Vice Chairman's Report:

- o **Marijuana application status** - DavidL reported that the application is on hold because Boulder County Land Use requested more information from the Craumers with no specific deadline.
- o **Donation to Children's Park** - Everyone agreed that we should donate to the Park fundraising. Kathy reported the levels posted for donations: \$100, \$250, \$500, \$1,000 and \$5,000. The topic was discussed. DavidL suggested we defer to the September meeting for a donation amount when we receive the Treasurer's report.
- o **Editorial in Daily Camera** - Sallie Overs, a Niwot resident, wrote an editorial titled, "Niwot Association Doesn't Speak for All." Discussion followed that there were clearly items reported that the NCA did not do and no response was appropriate.
- o **Banners, Signs and Miscellaneous** - DavidL would like to collect all the banners and signs that the NCA has used for events and functions over the past few years and then he will put them with the street signs that are stored in the Grange garage.

Secretary's Report:

- o **NCA metal bench in Old Town Niwot** - No report at this meeting. .
- o **Children's Park Jamboree, A Fundraiser, on September 12** - Kathy reported that the event will begin with pancake breakfast at 7:30am and last until about noon. Some 'bouncy castle' units will be there, the Niwot Semi-Marching Free Grange Band will play from 9-10am, there will be a \$5 Buck Duck race in Dry Creek and the Niwot Chiefs will have a car show in the morning along with some other activities. For NCA presence of support of the fundraising and participation at the event she has received approval from Boot Strap Brewery for the NCA to borrow their four 'corn toss' boards for children to play. She would



like to find two 10x10 tents to set up for the games in case it is hot. Tents with the NCA banner will also show that the NCA supports the Park. The NCA could operate the games for just a couple hours, 8:30-10:30, so it will not need to be a long volunteer shift. Kathy would like Board approval to purchase some prizes for children who play the games. DavidL requested Kathy distribute via email some of the prizes suggested for purchase and to keep the prizes and anything needed to purchase for the event under \$250.

- o **Niwot Elementary PTAC Sponsorship of Student Directory** - Kathy reported that the Niwot Elementary PTAC came to the NBA meeting requesting advertising from local businesses and organizations for the 2015-2016 school year student directory. The directory is contact information for families with students in the school and a highly used book throughout the year and subsequent years by parents. It was approved to sponsor a quarter page ad for the NCA, \$200. DavidL asked Kathy to draft a couple samples of the ad to be submitted and distribute by email for Board approval before submitting to Niwot Elementary PTAC for the book.

Committee Reports:

- o **Area Representatives** -
 - o No updates from representatives. DavidL commented that it is a good time to have neighborhood socials.
- o **At Large Representatives** -
 - o No at large representative reports.
- **Niwot Business LID Representative** -
 - o NCA representative to the LID was not present. Kathy reported that the LID did not meet in August.
- **Subdivision Roads LID Representative** -
 - o No updates. DavidL said he will reach out to Chuck Wibby to see if there are any updates.
- **Events:**
 - o **4th of July** - Kathy reported that the expenses for the marketing of the event have preliminary approval from the Niwot LID and the itemized bills and proof of payments are anticipated to be presented at the LID September 1st meeting for final approval. Then that package will move forward to Boulder County for reimbursement to the NCA. The Board approved for DavidL to purchase an orchid plant as a 'thank you' to Julie Breyer as event chairperson of the parade.
 - o **Niwot Clean Up Day** - Heidi reported that she has a final bill and will get it to Terry for payment.
- **Membership:**
 - o No update.
- **Communications:**
 - o DavidL reported that the website has not seen much traffic this summer.
 - o Google shared docs - DavidL reported that all NCA documents are on Google
- **Trails and Open Space:**
 - o Heidi is beginning communications with Boulder County for the fall joint project. Dates to propose to Boulder County for the project are September 18 and October 10.
- **Announcements / Agenda Items From The Floor:**
 - o No announcements.

NCA Liaisons' Reports:

- o **NBA Liaison:**
 - o No report.
- o **MVFPD Liaison:**
 - o No representative was present.

Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned by DavidL at 8:25 PM.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is: Wednesday 02 September 2015, 7:00 PM, MVFPD Station #4.
Submitted by Kathy Koehler, Secretary