



Niwot Community Association Board Meeting

August 01, 2018

Mountain View Fire Rescue District, Station #4, Niwot

1. Call to Order (7 PM)

Called at 7:00.10pm by David Limbach.

2. Attendance

Officers: David Limbach, ~~Tom Sesnie~~, Terry Larsen, ~~Leonard Sitongia~~

Directors: Johnny Barrett, Kim Hawksworth, Julie Nelsen-Breyer, Diane Zimmermann, ~~Dick Piland~~, Kathy Koehler, ~~Lance Goff~~, Laura Skaggs, ~~Liz Schmidt~~

Area Reps: ~~Hossein Tolooee~~, Craig Rahenkamp, Pat Murphy, ~~Mark Brigham~~, ~~John Barte~~, David Manting, ~~Scott Brown~~

Quorum Established

Visitor: Kim Glasscock (LHVC)

Guests: MVFRD - Chief David Beebe and Martha Dexter

Guest Speaker: MVFRD Chief David Beebe, Assistant Martha Dexter

Topic: Proposed 4.5 Mill Levy Increase to Property Taxes on November 2018 ballot

Chief Beebe explained that MVFRD is their own entity so they have to supply all their necessary resources and operate independently, unlike fire protection within cities. MVFRD is responsible for 185 square miles, currently they have six stations along with all necessary equipment in each station. The career staff, no volunteers, are trained and certified fire fighters and the paramedics are also certified fire fighters. Volumes of calls have increased significantly along with the population in the District while the financial resources have decreased. MVFRD has not put a Mill Levy in taxes on the ballot in ten years and the property tax is their primary source of income. Funding is a major challenge and the priorities, other than career staff are: fire trucks repair and replacement, upgrading technical systems, capital equipment, and three new stations within the next 10 years. The proposed property tax increase of 4.5 Mill Levy would cost an additional \$32.00 per year (\$2.67/month) per \$100,000 property value. MVFRD has a Board Meeting in early September and Chief Beebe will notify the NCA if the measure will be on the November ballot. Chief Beebe also shared that the Mountain View Fire Rescue District MVFRD is now the correct name which is more inclusive of the total services provided.

3. Approval of Board meeting minutes 7/11/2018

Motion to approve. Approved. Unanimous.

4. Treasurer's Report

Terry reported on financials for the organization.

Terry Larsen

There was no income this past month. Expenses paid out were related to the 4th of July and National Night Out in Niwot. Anticipate closing of expenses for Clean Up Day within the near future.

Motion to approve. Approved. Unanimous

.Chairman's report

David Limbach

a. Guest Speakers on topics

David stated that he would like to invite speakers for a short presentation possibly every other month in the future. This idea was well received.

b. Grants guidelines proposal

Johnny Barrett

Johnny reviewed the updated draft which had been shared with all Board members prior the meeting. There was discussion of the guidelines and possibly including in the decision point something about 'flexibility' of the guidelines by the Board when it comes to allocating monies. The guidelines indicate that the monies granted would be awarded after the project is completed and the requestor returns to a Board meeting to share the project results. An updated set of grant request guidelines will be reviewed at the September Board meeting. And it was suggested that possibly a 'form' be added for the grant applicant to accompany the guidelines.

5. Vice Chairman's report

Tom Sesnic

Not present / no report.

6. Secretary's report

Leonard Sitongia

Not present / no report.

7. Events:

Kim Hawksworth

a. National Night Out in Niwot, Tuesday, August 7th

Kim reported that she, Julie, David and Kathy met with Reserve Deputy Michael Kaessner last Friday and everything seems to be coordinated for this Tuesday. She requested Board members to come and be in the NCA booth and lend a helping hand when needed. Julie will bring a 10x10 tent and David is bringing cinderblocks to weight it down in case of any winds. Johnny said that 'Haulie' is available for hauling road crew, signs and tables and chairs from the Grange Garage. Kim also reported that the Niwot Market intends to donate the pasta salad that the NCA ordered and Julie volunteered to make a sign to recognize the donation..

b. Tip Jar at Rock & Rails on July 12

Kathy reported that it was a record tip jar amount, but when averaged with the very low tip jar last season it averages to be a below average of the two years. It is still an appreciated support for 4th of July Bike Decorations and the paint for the Underpass Mural. Pat said that she thought checks were being written monthly so Kathy will look into possibly picking it up soon and getting it to Terry to deposit..

c. 4th of July invoice to the Niwot LID

Kathy has submitted the invoice, final receipts and paperwork package to the Niwot LID for reimbursement for marketing and promotion of the 4th of July. She will attend the monthly meeting next Tuesday in case there are any questions regarding the invoice

package that has been submitted to the finance committee for payment from Boulder County.

8. Niwot LID

Laura Skaggs

a. Niwot LID

Laura reported that the Niwot LID meets on the first Tuesday of each month so they have not yet met, they will meet next week.

b. NCA Representative – Niwot Community Corner Artwork Committee

Laura reported that she is the NCA Representative for the Community Corner Artwork Committee and that the Committee has now met two times. She handed out a sheet that explains the process and guidelines for artwork to be submitted for consideration that would be on display for one year. There is a proposed stipend to the artist for the work selected for display. It is planned that there will be two pieces of artwork on display the first year and the selection will be in the fall. Scott Deemer, owner of Outdoor Craftsmen, will install the platform/pad for the artwork selected. The original landscape drawing for the Corner suggests up to five specific areas possible for artwork. Each artist will be responsible for their own insurance to cover their artwork when displayed. There will be a stipend for two pieces of artwork the first year of the displays and monies have been contributed to the fund at this point from the NBA and NCAA. A proposal will be submitted to the Niwot LID for the balance so no other funds are needed for the inaugural season of artwork..

Johnny offered to create a jpg so Diane could post the site on our website.

9. NBA Liaison report

Kathy Koehler

Kathy reported that the NBA Executive Committee does not meet until the upcoming Monday, August 6, so she does not have an update at this time.

10. Area & At Large Reports

a. Area 1

~~Hossein Toloooo~~

b. Area 2

Craig Rahenkamp,

Nothing to report

c. Area 3

Pat Murphy

“SLOW DOWN” yard signs have been staked in the ground on Paiute and Walker in Morton Heights and possibly more will be on display before the start of school this month. These “slow” signs were purchased by the NCA by Renae Dahiya about 10 years ago so there is no current cost to the NCA.

Pat also reported that she is still thinking about how to get her whole area together for a social and might end up doing a few this fall with small neighborhood areas.

d. Area 4

~~Mark Brigham.~~

e. Area 5

~~John Barte~~

f. Area 6

Vacant

g. Area 7

David Manting

Nothing to report.

h. Area 8

~~Scott Brown~~

i. At Large

Kathy Koehler

Nothing to report.

j. At Large

~~Lance Goff~~

k. At Large Liz Schmidt

l. At Large Dick Piland

11. Director Reports

a. Membership Johnny Barrett

We have 384 members.

b. Communications Diane Zimmermann

Diane reported that she has posted three new items to the website and distributed the email to all members with information for National Night Out in Niwot.

c. Trails & Open Space Craig Rahenkamp

i. Open Space thistle

Craig reported the thistles were overgrown and that Boulder County has mowed and cleaned up the thistle site.

ii. LOBO trail signage meeting

Craig asked how the trails were named so a meeting was set up with himself, Jim Eastman and Brent Wheeler from Boulder County Parks and Open Space. Most trails in Niwot have been named in relation to the subdivision near them which also is an identifying location for the general public. There is one exception in Niwot and that is a trail near Niwot High School which is named the *Cougar Trail* reflecting the school mascot.

iii. Lefthand Grange Park Shelter (*Note: for the Park the word "Lefthand" is one word.*)

A photo of the shelter table was shown and Craig thanked any Board members who volunteered with planting in early summer. The question was asked regarding a permanent toilet facility at the Park that was included in the original proposed drawing. Craig said that toilets are still being considered to finish the project. Because the site is located within a certain number of feet from a sewer line, that connection would be required which requires a sewer tap from Niwot Sanitation District and in order to flush you need water so that would be a tap from Left Hand Water District both of which will require monthly payments. This is a joint project with Boulder County Parks and Open Space along with the Transportation Department.

d. Subdivision Roads Dick Piland

Nothing to report.

12. Announcements

There were no announcements from the floor.

13. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn. Seconded. Adjourned at 8:57pm

Submitted by Kathy Koehler for Leonard Sitongia.

Next Meeting: September 05, 7pm at MVFRD Station #4