

Walnut Hills Civic Association
Annual Meeting
March 18, 2008, 7 pm, Castlewood Library
Agenda

- I. Welcome to Association members and others
12 Board members were present plus about 15 residents and several guests.
 - Frank Haskett, Nbhd 4
 - Beth Rapp, Nbhd 1
 - Brian Olson, VP, Nbhd 9
 - Betty Foley, Nbhd 11
 - Donna Senn, Nbhd 15, At Large
 - Cheryl Parker, Nbhd 10
 - Jerry Greyson, Pres., Nbhd 13, At Large
 - John Fuller, Treas., Nbhd 5
 - Susan Holter, Nbhd 8
 - Julie Marsicek, Nbhd 14, At Large
 - Andrea Suhaka, Sec., Nbhd 2
 - Jeff McCall, Nbhd 7
- II. Flag ceremony – Boy Scout Tr. 257
Jerry presented a \$300 check to the troop for preparing and mailing the Walnut Hills CA dues mailing
- III. Refreshments provided by Karen Padrevita, Metrum C.U. (not present, sick child)
- IV. Guest speakers:
 - A. Patrick Anderson & Rebecca McClellan, Ward III Centennial City Councilmembers, gave brief Ward III updates
 - They presented some basic information about the newly purchased city building.
 - They made a request for folks to shovel their walks when it snows; the city will be exploring a snow shoveling ordinance this year
 - Frank Haskett asked about shrubs overgrowing the sidewalks, in the rights-of-way. There was no answer to this question.
 - The city is exploring ways to acquire some federal funding for the Arapahoe Rd. at I-25
 - Other residents voiced concerns about the traffic cutting through Walnut Hills. This problem has made the list of projects for neighborhood traffic calming but there was no answer as to when a solution might be forthcoming.
 - B. Cathy Noon/Andrea Suhaka, Centennial Home Rule Charter Commission
 - Cathy Noon, president of CenCON and chair of the Home Rule Charter Commission gave a very brief and basic presentation on the Charter that will be on the mail-in ballot for vote on 10 June.
 - C. Amir Stephen, Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office: www.arapahoesherriff.org
 - * Residents can get crime mapping in their neighborhood from the ACSO web site
 - * Graffiti on public facilities or untreated on private fences on a right-of-way: call the sheriff for removal; a deputy will take a picture and then it will be cleaned.
 - D. Dan Mullin, South Metro Fire, Battalion Chief
 - * South Metro Fire will have a board election on 5 May. There are 8 people running for 3 slots.

- * South Metro and Parker Fire Districts are currently exploring a consolidation. This would create the 3rd largest fire dept. in the state (It would actually be a Fire Authority.).
- * there will be an election down the line (2012)

E. Laurie Christensen, Arapahoe Library District

- * Laurie introduced Holly Whelan, the head librarian of Castlewood Library

F. Tex Elam, Centennial Director of Community Mobility Services.

- He displayed flyers of special Arapahoe County Senior Services.
- First Ride is a free senior service of Arapahoe County, for doctors appt & taking seniors to meals.
- Access-a-Ride is an RTD service for disabled. The March of Dimes does the analysis for applications to use the service.

VI. Approval of minutes of 15 February Board meeting Olson/haskett: unan

VII. Approval of GID bills: John has bills Grounds Services bills john/susan unan

VIII. Treasurer's Report, John Fuller.

A. John distributed a 4 yr record of civic assoc. balances. This will be published in the *Walnut Hills Newsletter*. (Motion by Senn/seconded by Marsicek: unanimous) A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report and it was approved unanimously. (Haskett/Olson)

- \$1000 was moved from tje money market account to checking.
- There is \$ 3000+ in money market.
- We will have a PayPal discussion at our next board meeting.

B. Walnut Hills Civic Assoc. Sponsored Events

- The Easter Egg Hunt n 3/15 was a roaring success thanks to Susan Holter and many others.
- Spring Dumpster Days take place on May 10 & 17. We'll repeat last year's article in the *Walnut Hills Newsletter*. John will make arrangements for the dumpsters. Someone (?) was going to contact Brookie about scrap metal collection.

C. After his report, John resigned as Treasurer.

IX. Walnut Hills Scholarship Fund

- * This fund is not a part of the WHCA but is supported by the Civic Assoc, and the *Walnut Hills Newsletter*.
- * This year there will be \$11,000 in scholarships distributed: \$2,500 x 4 for Walnut Hills graduates going on to college and a \$1000 career award for a technical or other school.
- * The career award will be named the Jim & Diane Graham Career Award

X. Introduction of Board and call for the Election of Board members

A. Jerry introduced the board members present.

B. Proposed Slate of Board candidates was presented by Betty Foley.

- Board members in even numbered neighborhoods are elected in even numbered years. The following is the proposed slate. There was a call for candidates from the floor. Tex Elam agreed to run for Neighborhood 12.
 - Neighborhood 2: Andrea Suhaka, 6864 S. Ulster Cir.
 - Neighborhood 4: Frank Haskett, 8563 E. Davies Ave.
 - Neighborhood 6: Shirley Jose 7422 S. Tamarac St.

- Neighborhood 8: Susan Holter, 7388 S. Quebec Ct.
- Neighborhood 10: Open (need candidate) Cheryl Parker is stepping down
- Neighborhood 12: Tex Elam Jerry/Andrea
- Neighborhood 14, At-Large: Julie Marsicek, 8463 E. Davies Ave.
- Brian invited guests present to attend our board meeting at the Metrum Credit Union on the 2nd Thurs. of the month.
- The slate was nominated and seconded and elected unanimously.
(Greyson/Suhaka)

- XI. Membership Committee Report, Ed Smith was not present. Jerry made brief presentation.
- * Residents can use the walnuthillscolorado.org web site to join.
 - * Brian briefly described the information on the membership card that was in the membership mailing and talked about the change of meeting location to Metrum Credit Union.

XII. Other Items

- Carol Tumaylle (303-770-6145 has volunteered to work on the Membership Committee.
- John passed around a petition from Elaine Schulstrom who wants to get a street light.
- Question: How many people join the WHCA? About 1/2.
- Question: Why are Hunters Hill people allowed to our Easter Egg Hunt? As a good neighbor policy.
- Realtors are not giving new home buyers in Walnut Hills the information about the Civic Association.
- John will put a brief article in the *Newsletter* about the Willow Bend problem.

XIII. Adjourn, 9 pm

- * action item: PayPal discussion
- * action item: tree clippings, yes or no for Dumpster Days
- * action item: invite Willow Bend folks to the next board meeting in April