

**One Roxborough
Meeting Minutes
October 6, 2011 9:00-11:30 am
The Library at Roxborough**

Attendees

Larry Moore, Karen Kennedy, Linda Orlovski, Kim DeGrande, Kati Rider, Ed Yeats, Steve Boand, Jack Hoagland, Sean Burke, Linda Goodrich, Katia Leonyleon, Don Yowell, Greg Liptak, Carlene Harris, Tina Poliseo, Mary Kay Mansfield, Todd Farrow, Rick Kendall, Jack McCormick, Jeff Wasden, Phil Scott, Tim Moore, Brian Beckman, Barbra Chase Burke, Sara Millett, Emily Hertz, Karl Brummert, Shelia Kerber, Chad Bergman, Roisin McEwen, Wayne Bellinger, Jose R. Ramos, Jane Baki

The meeting was called to order at 9:00am. A motion was made by

Sean Burke and seconded by Carlene Harris to approve the August 2011 minutes. Motion carried. Tim Moore abstained as he was not at the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 11:32 by Co-chairperson Ed Yeats.

Introductions and Sign In

County Update

The Wise Contract has been put out to the public at this time. Boand says that the Roxborough area is so fortunate to have accomplished our water deal with Aurora because it would be hard to do today. Also, check the Blue Book for facts as the Blue Book that has come out in the mail may not be as correct as one may think it is. Boand has put in a request to do further improvements to Titan Road and he may need our support. The south road out of Roxborough leading to Louviers and connecting to US 85 that is being planned is a hard decision to make as it goes through Open Space and private lane. Commissioner Boand is asking members of One Roxborough for their help. The One Roxborough members that volunteered to participate with Commissioner Boand are: Linda Goodrich, Roisin McEwen, Carlene Harris, Emily Hertz, Steve Boand, Brian Beckman, Larry Moore and Mary Kay Mansfield.

Katie Rider also mentioned that no other items have come up within our area.

General Business

Chatfield Re-Allocation update – Larry Moore

After many years, Larry Moore feels that there will be a draft coming out before the end of the year. The Corps of Engineers will hold three meetings on the project in various areas of the Metro area as the project will touch many areas. We feel certain that one of the meetings will take place in our area and everyone is encouraged to come to the meeting. The process encompasses a 90 day period for public comment. The RWSD is allocated approximately 500 acre feet of this water. If the water is not needed by the RWSD, it could be sold to others. The project will require brand new facilities at the Park. The web site to learn more about the project is: www.chatfieldstudy.org

Update on Arrowhead Shores vacant building and pool

Ed Yeats read from the YourHub article that the building will be demolished in the next five months. Several members present at the meeting say that that they are aware of several entities that are

interested in the land. The initial time frame was for 6 months (starting August 11, 2011) for the building to be demolished.

The First Annual Roxborough Music Festival

The event was a great event and next year's event is in the works. The event started at Noon and went to 10:00 pm. Vendors had booths and bands went on stage one after another. There were a lot of great positive things said about the event and everyone had fun. Proceeds went to Hands Across Roxborough.

December meeting location – Is this a get together or a meeting?

The group decided to not have a general business meeting in December. Rather, the group will have a holiday get together at the Tavern from 5:00 to 7:00 pm on December 1, 2011. This invitation is to all spouses, significant others and partners of all members of One Roxborough.

Strontia Springs Project Update

Ed Yeats reported that, according to a release by the Denver Water Board, the project is behind and will go into 2012. In the press release, the Denver Water Board says that they are meeting with the contractor to determine the work schedule for 2012. All interested in this project can look at updates at: www.denverwater.org/Waterton

The Roxborough Voice – An Overview

This item was tabled until another meeting.

Tim Moore – Ballot issue 5A for RWSD

Roxborough was becoming a marked community because of water. Our most current Contract with Aurora assisted our water for the future. A lot of work has been done by Larry Moore and the accomplishment regarding the Contract with the City of Aurora is huge. Now, we have to pay a tap fee (a one-time lump sum payment – a fair share) to the City of Aurora. Larry accomplished a reduce tap fee and now the RWSD has to make this payment of \$23,000,000. Over the last 20 years, the District has saved \$16,500,000 of this amount. There is \$6,500,000 sitting in the sewer account to supplement the final payment. The ballot issue funds this in a way that does not increase our taxes. The Tabor Amendment makes us go to the voters to transfer the funds. The vote is to transfer these funds from one account to another. If this measure is not passed, we will have to raise rates to cover the additional costs.

Barbra and Sean Burke – Ballot issue 3A and 3B

With a lot of cuts in the budget for education, these two ballot issues will bring to the voters a decision to assist the education process. With class sizes' increasing drastically, the need is here to bring those sizes down. The issue also allows for new buildings, remodeling of existing buildings and technology. Other school districts see what is happening in Douglas County and these other districts are not only going after, but are acquiring our staff. Our existing staff is working longer hours and this could be affecting moral. By supporting these two measures, our problems will not be totally solved: however, it will make things steadier for the future and reduce our larger class sizes. Rick Kendall says that if we do not approve these two measures, the elementary will have to retroactively reduce the amount of money

spent on each student. This will mean less teachers and bigger class sizes. Also, proposition 103 allows us to go around the current constitution amendments to allow a five year window which will assist in funding of education. Jack Hogland encourages everyone to go to the Douglas County Schools web site and look at the power points and other information. He says that this school district out performs the other districts and is in the most jeopardy. Linda Orlovski wonders why the schools cannot make it with what we are given. She also wants to know why we cannot go to somewhere to get the facts. Barbra Chase Burke answered many of the concerns and pointed to the growth of Douglas County since 1990. Barbra says we must meet the needs for our growing population.

Jeff Wasden – Ballot issue 1A

Jeff says that 1A is a simple issue that extends the term limit of the Sheriff to three terms. This is not an issue of politics as the Sheriff is in charge of public safety. The vote allows the citizens to decide if three terms is what they citizens want. Citizens always have the right to vote out the Sheriff. The passage of this measure can save money as any new Sheriff has to be trained in that position and that cost money. The 1A measure is a public safety issue only. There are 56 of 64 counties that have extended or overturned the two term limit as it applies to the Sheriff of a county. Linda Goodrich asked the question as to why Douglas County voters have not approved to do away with term limits on the Sheriff as compared to the 1A measure of limiting the Sheriff to 3 terms. Both Steve Board and Jeff Wasden commented that citizens of Douglas County have historically not gone the route of removing term limits on the Sheriff and other public officials. The DC Pro Law is a public safety group.

Announcements

DC Sheriff's Dept. and The Office of Emergency Mgt

Crime in our community is the most important thing to pay attention to these days and for good reason. Groups from around Denver come into our community and take notes on how they can bring crime to our area. They have hit squads that are on the move. "Keep your stuff locked up and garages locked up". A major marijuana bust took place about 5 miles as the crow flies from Roxborough. Resources are coming from all areas (local, state and national) to take care of this problem. Conditions are dry now and fire can be a problem. As there are no further fire restrictions being enacted at the current time, they could be if the dryness continues. Bears have also been a problem for the last couple of months. Please do not put trash out until the day it is picked up by those service providers. A couple of weeks ago, the biggest Home Land Security exercise took place. The event was a huge success and included simulations of dirty bombs, snipers and such. An attendee asked about CERT teams and Commissioner Board says that CERT is on the agenda for 2012.

YourHub

No report

Roxborough Art Council

The Arts Council is concerned that sales are down at their store. So, they are running a sale on all merchandise through October 31, 2011. It was encouraged that everyone does their holiday shopping at the store. RAC will be receiving grants from two sources. Patricia Jenkins has been nominative for the Rex Morgan Award on November 19th. The Rex Morgan Award was initiated in 1998 to thank citizen leadership volunteers and inspire participation in civic advocacy on behalf of culture. It honors District residents whose leadership has made a significant impact on the arts, scientific and cultural community in the Scientific & Cultural Facilities District (Adams, Arapahoe, Boulder, Broomfield, Denver, Jefferson

and [most of] Douglas counties). Recipients have met one or more of these additional criteria: advocated on behalf of the cultural community; demonstrated vision and persistence in pursuing goals to benefit the cultural community; promoted community participation in pursuing cultural objectives; worked as a volunteer supporting cultural initiatives or institutions; acted to benefit a municipality or county region[s]; initiated, collaborated, or supported innovative policies to enhance the regional cultural community. Congratulations to Patricia Jenkins for the nomination and all you have done in our community to enhance the arts.

West Metro Fire Dept.

No Report

Hands Across Roxborough (HAR)

Carlene Harris reported that the First Annual Roxborough Music Festival had over 100 volunteers to make it a huge success. The final amount of funds raised for Hands Across Roxborough is still being figured. Also, there are plans for a Card Party to help families in need in our 80125 area. There is an increasing need for assistance in paying water bills for the less fortunate in our area. HAR is hoping to come up with an account to help to cover water bills for those in need.

Roxborough Water and Sanitation

No Report

4H Club

Roisin McEwen reported that the Roxborough Renegades took great honors at the Douglas County Fair and went on to take honors at the Colorado State Fair as well. Eleven members of the Roxborough Renegades took approximately 75 honors at the County Fair. Six Renegades took honors at the State level. The Roxborough Renegades are being noticed in the County as a leader in the 4H group. Roisin was recognized at the meeting for all of the time and effort she has put in at starting and building the Roxborough Renegades into one of the County's best 4H Clubs today.

DC Libraries

Eric Larson, noted offer, will be at the Lone Tree Arts Center on October 19. There will be two events: (1) a 6 pm VIP Wined Reception for \$60 and (2) a 7:30 Author Presentation for \$15.00. You must pre register. Call 720.509.1000 for preregistration or questions. The Library is also offering a writing program for kids. Go to the Douglas County Library web site for information.

Historical Society

On Sunday, October 9th, 2011, the Historical Society will have an event at the Roxborough Community Center in Roxborough Park. Attendees will learn about the Helmer family. This family once owned most of the land of the Roxborough area.

CO State Parks

The theme of our Roxborough State Park for now and the near future focuses on our country and our kids. There will be many programs regarding this. There will also be environmental programs that will target kids through scholarships for 2012-2013. Also, a new deck at Lions Overlook and the entrance station are in the works. Also, many volunteers replaced trail markers throughout the Park recently.

Arrowhead

No Report

Rox Village Metro District

Work is about to start on the replacing certain areas that are now being irrigated with low maintenance materials. These projects will be coming in the fall.

Ravenna

Ed Yeats reported that he has learned of two groups interested in and talking with the Bank at buying part or the entire Ravenna project.

Roxborough Park Foundation

The foundation has a brand new web site: roxboroughpark.co.org. Chip seal has been performed on many of the roads and streets in the Park. The Foundation is also selling a lot of Park related merchandise.

Sterling Ranch

Jack Hogland proudly announced that Sterling Ranch corporate offices have now moved to a new location at Shea Center on Lucent Drive. They also have a new "Water Person" working full time. They are in the process of putting together a group of business leaders headed by Roxborough resident Amy Sherman to head the committee. This group will help get a strong concerted mission statement out for our area. The new garden area on Titan Road is up and running. It includes rain water harvesting and various types of irrigations processes that are being tested. Jack wanted to thank all of the volunteers that have participated in the garden. Engineering reports on Sterling Ranch are near completion and will be coming out soon. Jack also wanted to remind everyone about the annual Turkey shoot this Saturday in Louviers that will benefit the Louviers Library.

Roxborough Women's Network (RWN)

The RWN is having a wine tasting tonight at the Waterton Tavern with trivia to follow.

Roxborough Elementary

Outdoor education went well for the 6th graders. Parent teacher conferences will commence very soon. Fall break coming in a week and will be for a two weeks. Survey is going out to Parents. The new field at RXP has been stripped for football and is being used a lot. It is great seeing all of the family activity on the field during the weekends.

Audubon Society

The Audubon Society is hosting a "Hootenanny". On October 25th, 2011, the event will showcase a live owl presentation, an owl pellet dissection, and true to the definition, it will also feature live music by Camptown, who is representing the Colorado Bluegrass Music Society. On, Saturday the 15, 2011, there will be a "walk the wetlands" at the Audubon Center at Chatfield. All are encouraged to support the Audubon Center by becoming a member. For details on events and membership, call 303.973.9530

PTIC

Barbra reports that the new PTIC executives are in charge. Octoberfest will be on October 22, 2011 and is open to the public. This is one of the biggest money making events of the year. Sean reports that Ranch View is finishing up the process of the IB program. Sean is a member of the schools SAC this year. Rick Kendall and Sean Burke reported that Roxborough Elementary is looking at the IB program for the school. The IB program would be a huge commitment.

The Roxborough Voice

No report at this time.

RatPak

The RatPak will be hosting the haunted house at the schools Octoberfest. Approximately 45 Packers will participate in a production that is going to thrill everyone.

Roxborough Businesses Network (RBN)

Katia reported on the RBN. She encourages everyone to come to the meetings and to support Roxborough businesses. Meetings are planned well into the future. The next meeting is Pit Row Auto Care on Wednesday October 19, from 6:30 at 9612 Titan Park Cr.

****** Next meeting is Thursday, December 1, 2011 at the Tavern - this will be a social event and everyone is encouraged to bring their spouses and significant others. ******