

## CCVNHOA Annual Board Meeting

### Hope United Methodist Church

December 9, 2014 – 7 PM

In attendance: Ron Rakowsky, T.J. Gordon, Paul Oppegard, Sharon Oppegard, Dean Goss, Shelly Goss, Barbara Dorsey, Anne Egan, Shaun Egan, Russell Foote, Rip Ripley, Tom McCarthy, Pam Carroll, Sunny Weber, Frank Hare, Teri Castledine, Susie Roy, Concha McNamara, Mary Lou Smith, Bill Smith, Leah Marie, Katie Kleeman, Gary Kleeman, Alan Saltzman, Karen Kronauge, Alan Kastrinsky, Rick Spoor, Roger Erickson

Meeting commenced at 7:05 pm. Dean Goss introduced himself and stressed that this will be his last year as Board President. The board introduced themselves.

**City Council Report/Question and Answer:** Dean introduced Councilman T.J. Gordon. The Gordon's have been in the neighborhood for 17 years. Councilman Gordon appreciates being able to go first on the agenda because his son Henry is playing in his first basketball game of the season tonight. Go Creek! Councilman Gordon has attended the last two HOA board meetings and wanted to address some board questions. He passed out FEMA guidelines for any Greenwood Village City emergency. The Tufts Avenue entrance planter sustained some minor damage earlier in the fall and while the planter bricks are a little bit different than the wall bricks, the City advises that they are a close match. The gentleman whose son slid on the ice and accidentally damaged the wall will have the bricks repaired. Councilman Gordon is still working on getting an answer for who owns the wall along Tufts Avenue. The City is currently conducting a survey to find out who owns it and the answer should be forthcoming any day now. He is also working on an answer as to who owns the cut-through walls. There were recently two fires in the bathrooms at Village Greens Park. Greenwood Village Police are working with the South Metro Fire Department and CCHS to resolve the case. Many great things have happened in the City over the past year. Here's a quick recap: the **Police Department** has implemented many new technologies to improve efficiency and accuracy in all areas. The **Curtis Arts Center** is continually bringing new programs to residents and class offerings are popular. The **Parks Department** has received very positive feedback on the disc golf and mountain bike additions to Village Greens Park. In addition, there are many upgrades going on at other parks throughout our city. Our own Lita Saltzman has presented an idea for a permanent musical feature to be added to one of the parks. In Public Works news, the department is in Phase One of the redevelopment of the City's Main Maintenance facility – an 8 million dollar project at completion. The City's revenue basis is strong and growing through work with the Denver South Economic Development Partnership. To highlight some of the outstanding companies that have either moved to Greenwood Village or expanded here during 2014: 1) The Westin Hotel – Five Star will begin construction in 2015 (the hotel will rival the JW Marriott in Cherry Creek and The Four Seasons downtown), 2) AMG National Trust Bank is building their new regional headquarters near Fiddler's Green Amphitheatre at Caley and

Greenwood Plaza Blvd, 3) CoBank Center Building is remaining in Greenwood Village and building a major new office building with additional growth in mind, 4) Trader Joe's opened one of three Colorado stores in the Cherry Hills Marketplace at 5910 S. University Blvd, and 5) Sierra Trading Post opened their first Colorado store last fall in the Cherry Hills Marketplace. It is a very exciting time to be in Greenwood Village. Russell Foote mentioned that this year's paving seemed to go more smoothly than last summer. Councilman Gordon added that the City annually spends \$5 million on roads. Shaun Egan asked Mayor Rakowsky about the Arapahoe Road interchange. The Mayor said that the City is in the process of replacing the northbound ramp with a new off ramp/road. The Mayor commented that District Four is very lucky to have Councilman Gordon continuing Councilman Gary Kleeman's legacy of thoughtful and informed City leadership. The Mayor mentioned that the Eruv in Greenwood Village will be expanded to the northern natural boundary of I-225 west to I-25, south to Arapahoe Road, east to Peoria, and north through the state park, using Excel, CDOT, Arapahoe County, the Corps of Engineers, and Greenwood Village rights-of-way. Excel is moving quickly on this project. Councilman Gordon, the Mayor, and Greenwood Village Public Works have voiced strong opposition to a proposed modification to the I-225 expansion plans that would have directed additional traffic onto Yosemite Street. The coyote presentation at Greenwood Village City Hall was extremely well attended. The Mayor said that one of the biologists at the meeting cautioned not to use pepper spray on coyotes because it has no impact on the species. Please look out for your neighbors during this busy time of holiday package delivery and theft. If you ever have any questions or concerns related to Greenwood Village City business, please contact Councilman Gordon directly. He is happy to be of assistance.

**President's Report/Year-End Review:** Dean said that four houses sold in CCVN this year for an average price of \$572,000. Currently one home is under contract, one is a duplex, and three are stand-alone residences. We will have at least two open board positions next December for President and Treasurer. Please consider whether one of these positions might be a good fit for you or someone you know, and spread the word. Alan Saltzman is stepping down from the ARC Committee after 13 years of service. Alan has been instrumental on many board policies and he will be missed. It has been a good year in the village.

**Treasurer's Report/Budget:** Karen Kronauge passed out the pro forma 2014 financials. The income statement is on the left. As it is only December 9<sup>th</sup>, this is not yet complete. There was nothing out of the ordinary or unexpected this year. We show an income of \$19,000 because we have 190 houses in the HOA and homeowner's dues remain at \$100. As per the last few years, next year's budget looks the same as this year. The community directory will be published next year in accordance with the every other year timeline; the cost is expected to be around \$800. Please look for the directory updates this year. Sharon Oppegard inquired about the extra income reflected in the income statement. Karen indicated that transfer fees account for this. The gardening cost will be down from \$2000 to \$750 next year because this year we needed new dirt for the planters. The CCVN HOA currently has around \$45,000 cash in the bank. Our dues are affordable, we host great social events, show a very healthy balance sheet,

and collections are good. Dean emphasized that the CCVN e-mail list is used for neighborhood-related functions and information. Please update your email addresses with Anne Egan.

**Vice President's Report:** Frank did not have a report.

**Architectural Review Committee Report:** Paul Oppgard mentioned that ARC forms and guidelines are available online and in the back of the directory. Paul and Alan Saltzman do their best to get through these forms very quickly. As a reminder, any project visible from the street needs to go through ARC and most often the City, as well. Please reach out if you have any questions. Barbara Dorsey also mentioned that if you have something happening in your backyard, you should talk to your neighbors. Russ asked about the trash and recycling cans and says he has not seen a big difference in appearance. Dean added that there are places where it has improved. The City has no directive on this, so reach out to the board if you see a need for enforcement.

**Nominations and Elections:** Dean presented Vice President Frank Hare and Treasurer Karen Kronauge for reelection. Both were re-elected unanimously to the board.

**New Business:** Dean introduced Sunny Weber. Sunny encourages residents to sign up for nextdoor.com in order to connect with other neighborhoods and learn useful information. Mary Lou Smith warned everyone about coyote sightings at night and during the day in the neighborhood. Please keep your pets on leashes and indoors. Roger Erickson asked about the possibility of lighting along the trail from the light rail. Dean will mention this to Councilman Gordon. Susie Roy believes that this is part of the long-term comprehensive plan for the City. A question arose regarding the proper steps to follow when filing a complaint about unsightly yards and property in the neighborhood. The first step is to file a complaint with ARC and then we can go from there. The plan for undergrounding power lines in CCVN is on hold because Excel Energy reneged on their commitment to install and Greenwood Village is suing them. In the event of traffic violations, please record license plate numbers and call the Police department. The adult holiday party is this Saturday, the 13<sup>th</sup>, from 6-9pm.

Dean moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 pm, seconded by Karen, and unanimously approved.