

**One Roxborough
Meeting Minutes
February 6, 2014 9:00-11:30 am
Roxborough Foundation Community Room**

Attendees

Ed Yeats, Sean Burke, Linda Goodrich, Christine Liptak, Kati Rider, Roisin McKewen, Chad Bergman, Don Yowell, Amy Sherman, Kim DeGrande, Larry Moore, Tina Poliseo, Todd Farrow, Steve Abrams, Katia de Orbegoso, Barbra Chase, Jan Berger, Shelia Kerber, Karen Kennedy, Andy Becher, Steve Ketcham, Linda Orlovski, Jack Hogland.

The meeting was called to order at 9:04 am. A motion was made to approve the October 2013 minutes. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 11:38 am by motion.

County Update

Kati Rider reports that while Hwy 85 is a priority, the concentration is first on C470. The County has an application in for Sterling Ranch sketch plan. The General Mast Plan is being updated and the plan includes the Ravenna portion as well.

General Business

Community Clean Up Day – Jan Burger reported that the Community Clean Up Day is scheduled for April 26, 2014 with the makeup day in case of inclement weather will be May 3rd. On May 3rd, there will be shredding truck for residents and at a nominal fee, you can shred your no longer needed documents. It was then noted that Chad Bergman was also having a similar event the week before. Jan and Chad are working together and the events may be merged.

The 24th Annual Regional Roxborough Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for April 12th, 2014 – Ed Yeats reported that the event brings in well over a thousand kids and adults. Donations are going to be solicited soon. We need to gather \$3200 to \$3500 to make the event function on its own.

The 13th Annual Community Garage Sale is scheduled for May 10th from 8 am to 1 pm – Ed Yeats reported that there will be heavy, heavy traffic on that day and to watch out for buyers coming into our community.

The 7th Annual Roxborough Fair will be on June 7th and 8th – Ed Yeats reported that this is a great event with the Awakening of the Bears, crafts, artwork and more.

The Annual Tri-County Chemical Round Up – Ed Yeats reported that he heard that this event was in jeopardy because of funding. Ed will follow up with information at the next meeting.

Women's Golf – Ed Yeats reported that Roxborough Park resident Sandy Thwaites has an 18-hole golf league for ladies – contact Sandy directly at thwaites4@comcast.net.

Douglas County Government Adopt-A-Road Agreement signed – Sean Burke reported that he signed the new agreement with the County. One Roxborough has that one mile stretch of road on Rampart Range Road starting at Waterton and going one mile north on Rampart Range Road. This portion of the road is cleaned once a year during the Community Clean Up Day. Linda Goodrich reminded the group that we needed to readdress the question of if we are going have the road clean up again in October. The group decided to address this at the next meeting.

Dennis Ebbets event - Sean Burke reported that the next Chautauqua at Roxborough will be Thursday, February 27, from 7-9 PM at the Roxborough Park Community Center, 6237 Roxborough Drive, Roxborough, CO 80125. Dennis Ebbets, PhD., from Ball Aerospace will speak on "HUBBLE & KEPLER: Stargazing on Steroids". Admission is free.

John Prestwich with PCS Group, Inc, - John is a land planner and landscape architect. He has worked on the River Canyon/Ravenna project for 15 years. He is trying to find a way to strengthen the community today and thinks that there is a way to bring on more product types (homes) in the community. The River Canyon/Ravenna project is NOT in the Roxborough Separated Urban Area. The first step is to be include the River Canyon/Ravenna property into the Roxborough Separated Urban Area Designation of the Comprehensive Master Plan (CMP). This level of change only goes to the Planning and Zoning Committee. If that committee approves this change, the property would then ask for the property mix to be adjusted and an additional 50 homes would be built. Currently, this property is in receivership. John believes that this new mix of home products should strengthen the Roxborough market. They are probably 30-45 days out from getting scheduled with the County.

Community Calendar – Resident Chad Bergman reported that the new community calendar is up and running. Sean Burke thanked and praised Chad for his work on this calendar. Something like this has been talked about for many years and now it is a reality.

Community Blog – Chad Bergman reported that he has an additional phase of communication up and running and that is the community blog for Roxborough. This will work in conjunction with the community calendar.

Amy Sherman – Amy addressed once again with the group the idea of having a One Roxborough web site. Currently, the County hosts the One Roxborough web page on an area of the County web site. While it is very appreciated, the group feels that we can do a better job of communicating with the 80125 area if we maintained our own web page for the entire area. The County web page does not allow this. A motion for vote on moving One Roxborough web page to Amy Sherman's server was made by Larry Moore and a second was made by Katia de Orbegoso. The motion passed with the note of one abstention by Roisin McEwen. Amy Sherman, Chad Bergman, Katia de Orbegoso and Sean Burke agreed to work on this project and report back to the group.

Announcements

DC Sheriff's Dept/Emergency Mgt – Ed Yeats reported that he just got an email from Bureau Chief Tim Moore that he could not make the meeting. At the next meeting, he will discuss the 2013 crime statistics with the group. Other than that, the County is doing really good.

West Metro Fire Dept. – West Metro Fire Dept. – Steve Abrams reported that a wildfire pre-plan is currently being developed at this time in order to be on top of things that happen in the area. Communication is a top priority. The model that they are using has been used successfully around the Country. Pushing wildfire mitigation throughout the community is of top importance too. The District just recently passed the annual performance review and we are excited about continuing the highest possible level of service. Budget wise we have been working to due more with less. The District has been cutting back in the past few years without having to effect the level of service. With home prices being down, taxes are down and funds to the District are down. We hope that this will not have much of an effect on the level of service to the Roxborough Community, but that is certainly a possibility.

Roxborough State Park – Todd Farrow reported that fire planning with the West Metro to create access roads in the event of a wildfire has taken place. There are emergency access trails and roads in the Park and Todd wanted everyone to know that they are for emergency use only and cannot be used for hiking by the general public. Friends of Roxborough is a volunteer organization. They are looking at putting up a shaded pavilion for use by groups. This would be a \$100,000 price tag and are thinking that it will take several years to get enough donations for the project. Regarding the 60 acres recently acquired, we are looking into a trail to the falls. Trail projects through grants are going on. Three concerts are set for 2014.

Roxborough Water and Sanitation (RWSD) – Larry Moore reported that the District is in a planning mode at this time. The water treatment plant is moving forward and will probably have this done in September. RWSD is working with Douglas County to work with various communities on water. He is seeing increased home building activity in the area. Century Communities purchased the remaining lots north of the shopping center and they are talking with RWSD on water. The RWSD will continue to update water meters throughout the community.

Sterling Ranch – (Corrections made by Amy Sherman) - Jack Hoagland reported that he was attended a quarterly economic breakfast that reported that Douglas County is doing great with days on market on home sales and new home construction. Sterling Ranch has submitted their first plat and is out for referral at this time. The State Land Board decided to sell its section of land adjoining Roxborough and Sterling Ranch was the successful bidder. They have purchased that land. The Allis Ranch property has been vacated and Sterling Ranch will be doing clean up and demolition of structures. Because of the historical significance, they plan to keep the silo in place.

Northwest Douglas County Economic Development Corporation (NWDCEDC) – Amy Sherman reported that the Apple Awards will take place on March 1, 2014. Sterling Ranch and NWDCEDC is paying for Roxborough teachers to attend this event as it highlights teacher accomplishments. On March 7, 2014, the NWDCEDC will have an investor luncheon and everyone is asked to register. See information in attached pdf for specifics. Lamb Spring fundraiser that was postponed will be June 14th and everyone will be invited.

Roxborough Park Foundation – Ed reported for Don Yowell again that The 7th Annual Roxborough Fair will be on June 7th and 8th and that it is a great event with the Awakening of the Bears, crafts, artwork and more.

Roxborough Village Metropolitan District – Linda Goodrich reported that Mil levies are going down by 10% for the Village. By 2021, we should have paid off all of the bonds. More smart controllers for rain will be installed this year. Linda reported that the water in Little Willow creek is flowing with water from somewhere and that it is damaging the spillway between the two ponds just west of RXP. Larry Moore reported that Denver water is letting the water out for some reason.

Roxborough Elementary – Rick Kendal and Jennifer Murtha were not able to attend the meeting as they are in a conference, Ed Yeats was asked to disseminate the following information:

- We have enrolled 113 Kindergarten students for next year so far. This puts us right at our projection with very similar numbers to last year.
- Our International Baccalaureate consultant will be visiting our school next week. She will observe classrooms and meet with Teachers, Parents, and Administrators. She will help us to gauge where we are in the authorization process and give us next steps to work on.
- Budgeting season is nearly upon us, and we received feedback from our SAC on priorities for the process. They identified Class Size, Educational Assistant Support, and Technology Resources as our priorities.

- Rick and Jennifer were able to join a group doing instructional walkthroughs at both Ranch View and ThunderRidge over the past several weeks. We were so impressed with the schools, the staff, and the students. Our kids are in good hands when we send them on!

PTIC – Barbra Chase reminded everyone about the upcoming Silent Auction and to make reservations soon as it will be a sellout. The Father Daughter Dance is tomorrow night and the Mother Son Bowling event is tonight.

Hands Across Roxborough – Carlene is recovering from surgery. Katia de Orbegoso reported for HAR that in December, the community reacted in a great way to supply holiday gifts to kids in need. The Roxborough Music Festival is being planned and we need to have more sponsorships for the event. If you or your company is interested in sponsoring the event, please contact Katia or Carleen.

DC Libraries – Shelia Kerber reported that a lot is going on with the Library. Tina Poliseo and Shelia Kerber gave us details on all of the events. Those events are attached to these minutes in a pdf document so that the accuracy of this information is maintained. Please see the pdf for all of the specifics to the event. Shelia reported that the library system has over 1500 volunteers.

Roxborough Business Association – RBA – Katia de Orbegoso reported that the next RBA meeting will be Feb 19th and that the RBA is really growing. They have purchased software for the group. It is similar to what many chamber of commerce organizations are utilizing. This will help in the collection of data and keeping up with its members.

4H Club “Roxborough Renegades” – Roisin McEwen reported that the Stock show was a big success for the group. Four kids took honors at the Stock Show with their llamas. There was a change and the group is now for ages 8 to 18. This could be a problem for especially the young ones of the group. Membership wise, the group is still strong.

Historical Society – Linda Goodrich reported that the Historical Society has 6 events already planned for the year. She also reported that the clean up at the Helmer cabin will allow entry into the cabin. The plan is to have cabin tours. For more information, go to: www.roxhistory.com

Roxborough Art Council – Karen Kennedy reported that year financials and planning is underway. Art classes at the Gallery are continuing very successfully. In March, they will be creating banners with the kids in the community and these banners will be hung in the shopping center. The Gallery is doing great.

Audubon Society – No report.

Metro Denver Partners – No report

RatPak – Ed Yeats reported that group is doing very good. One thing they decided to do was to not do the Haunted House anymore at the Octoberfest. The event took the kids too much away from their focus as a group. The RatPac, the School and the PTIC feels this is a good move for the RatPac.

The Roxborough Voice – Ed Yeats reported the February 2014 Voice has been mailed. The theme for the May 2014 Voice is going to be “Public Safety”.

Barbra Chase Burke – Barb reported that the law suit against the School Board is not being addressed by the Board. You will be seeing this in the future.

****** Next meeting is Thursday, April 3rd, 2014 9:00-11:30 am Rox Park Community Center ******