

**One Roxborough
Meeting Minutes
April 21st, 2011 9:00-11:30 am
Roxborough Library**

Attendees

Larry Moore, Karen Kennedy, Fran Santagata, Linda Orlovski, Lou Royston, Kim DeGrande, Becky Spilver, Kati Rider, Karl Brummert, Steve Ketcham, Jamie LaRue, Linda Droeger, Lu Mahan, Trudy Peterson, Ed Yeats, Leslie Good, Steve Boand, Jack Hoagland, Sean Burke, Barbra Chase Burke, Linda Goodrich, Steve Ketchum, Victor Rodorte, Curt Weitkunat, Kim DeGrande

The meeting was called to order at 9:00am. A motion was made to approve the Jan 2011 minutes. Motion carried.

County Update

Storage facility site has easement adjustments before approval; anticipate additional few months before final approval to start building; the road entering the parking lot of the Primary School building is open for Kindie drop-off/pick-up; County is hosting an oil and gas meeting on April 27th, 6pm at the event center at Fairgrounds; Denver Water doing work on West end of Highline Canal; Human Services group having a focus on Fair Housing seminar

General Business

Update for Roxborough, Colorado mailing address: Sean Burke reported that Roxborough is on the map after approval was received in March by the USPS. The Manager of Delivery Operations at USPS HQ worked with Sean to establish requirements and gain approval for use of Roxborough, CO 80125 as an official "last line" in address for residence in the 80125 area code. Through this process, the USGS DNIS database was also corrected. Both the USGS DNIS database and the US Census listed the area as "Roxborough Park" which has caused much confusion. USGS fixed their database and website to read "Roxborough". The DC Board of County Commissioners also assisted Roxborough through this process by officially designating the area as "Roxborough".

One Roxborough structure: Reminder that our meetings are now every other month; the group will revisit the need for more frequent meetings, if necessary; the key is effective communications to/from/with the community; several organizations have made offers for One Rox meetings to be held at their facilities: Rox Park HOA Community Center, the new ReMax real estate office space; after some discussion, the group agreed to keep the Library location as the primary meeting space, with rotation to meet at other facilities every so often; the group discussed the importance of the role of One Roxborough and having key County officials participate in meetings to ensure success.

Transparency of meetings: A One Roxborough Participant provided input to Sean that they had received input from several folks in the Community that One Rox was not perceived to be "open" (not open to public attendance) and that the group was not open to input from community members. The One Rox group discussed the importance of openness, transparency and community members should feel welcome to attend meetings and/or provide input, express concerns, etc.; the group felt that One Rox has always been open to input and that all of our meetings have been open to the public since our first meeting; an idea was suggested to that meetings be held in the evenings although evening meetings would make it more difficult for County officials and other key folks to attend.

Co-Chairs: new Co-Chairs were elected to serve. Ed Yeats and Kim DeGrande were nominated, accepted the nomination and were elected as new Co-Chairs. (*Thank you Kim and Ed!!*)

Promoting Roxborough and One Roxborough: Douglas County has a website for all of their communities for businesses and residents to view; Roxborough was previously not listed as a separate community, although now has a specific Roxborough site with many organizations listed; www.douglas.co.us/business (click on "Communities")

Clean-up day April 30th: 9am-Noon; thanks to Sterling Ranch's people for cleaning up their area; Arrowhead providing food for volunteers at Noon at Haney Park.

Neighborhood Pool: The team discussed the desire for and the possibilities for a Community pool; ideas included: a Foothills Rec District pool (or see if there is interest in taking over existing Arrowhead Shores pool/facility), pool in Rox Village Metro District Regional Park (near Skate Park), pool in Haney Park (Rox Park neighborhood); the Rox Metro District cannot afford to take this project on so it would have to be a private company; Carlene talked about Federal Grants for revitalization to see if we could apply; a pool sub-committee was established to research various options; Chad Bergman, Larry Moore, Steve Ketchum, Trudy Peterson (Co-Chair), Linda Goodrich (Co-Chair), Jack Hoagland.

CPR class: Wednesday May 11th open to the greater Roxborough at Community Center 6-8pm \$30 10 or older

Roxborough Park working on a new website to market Roxborough Park and an interactive tool and a lot of information for people shopping for homes hoping to make it a real magnet to promote the area and change the image that we are far out or don't have water launching in 3 weeks.

Announcements

DC Sheriff's Dept: crime trending back up in DC, mostly property crime; up 13% from last year (double-digit trend down last few years but starting to see crime creeping back up); domestic violence up; identity theft up; paper/credit card fraud up 68%; theft up 22%; sex assault down 9%; fire band still in affect; on the ballot this November will be Initiative 1A: choice to extend Sheriff term limits from 2 to 3 (from 8 years of service to a total possible 12 years)

DC Libraries: CJ Box & Margaret Cole August 19th and August 20th 6-8pm authors for murder mysteries; DC Libraries requested short BIOs (1-2 sentences) from One Rox members that participated in the community interview meeting.

CO State Parks: no report

Rox Foundation: CPR class scheduled for Wednesday May 11th at Community Center, 6-8pm, \$30; Roxborough Park working on a new website to market Roxborough Park and an interactive tool

Rox Village Metro District: the public restrooms will be open May 1st through Labor Day weekend; fertilized grass looks good and already mowing and watering; strip of rock needed where things were ripped up; tagging areas less than 6' in width to remove irrigation and replace with native grass or rock; do not have authority to enforce covenants/fencing; Future may put a uniform fencing on their property; 7-acre pond is creating erosion, so planning for big renovation project; ponds are irrigation water so trumps fencing; tried to create an HOA for unrepresented homes, hired a lawyer, but too difficult as need 100% yes vote; may work on a recommended common type of fencing.

Rox Elementary: switching model to one Principal at each building and no Assistant Principals (more cost-effective model and helps to preserve classroom sizes; the School will continue to operate as a single entity; Jammie Jamboree was last Friday night with 35 teachers, 175 kids, raising \$5K for education; have beautiful field and is not completely finished with the warranty prep work; it is not yet for rental; no problem for families to use but don't have ability to rent out to soccer teams yet; pushing District to officially rent the field (working details for insurance and rental fees); PLEASE...no pets on the field and no drinks like Gatorade (is sticky and sits on the field); working with District to create learning gardens to grow vegetables and work with chef to bring into lunch; need to follow regulations; Kindie Orientation next Tuesday; can register at any time at the front office; Space Day, Field Day and Continuation for 6th graders coming up in May/June; Rocket Launching May 4th and 5th; sanctioned and approved day; 4-H also has a rocket program and volunteers.

PTIC: Silent Auction April 29th, Space Day May 7th, Health Fair May 28th Ice Cream Social May 29th

RatPak: Community clean-up day is scheduled for April 30th; back-up date is May 14th; the RatPak assisted with the Easter Egg Hunt on April 16th; new officers elected in May with Exec transition in June.

Hands Across Rox: Not doing the July Carnival this year due to lack of volunteers; rising need for assistance in the community; rise in domestic violence as well; Safeway cards to use for food or gas.

Sterling Ranch: The Board of County Commissioners will continue the Sterling Ranch Public Hearing scheduled for April 26, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. This continuation is necessary to accommodate requests from citizens for an evening hearing. signs are being posted to announce meetings; many visitors coming by the Sterling Ranch office in Rox Marketplace. Cutting and branding in May and can watch or help. Continue to keep things cleaned up. Linda Droeger's daughter is off to the nationals in Maryland.

Roxborough Art Council: call to all Artists in conjunction with Western Welcome Week; getting entries deadline for entry is July 1st; Juror is Youngman; will jury all entries into the show and then once delivered and accepted will jury for wards – will be a great show; planning on another show open to all artists in June 2012; Museum of Art; applied for a SCFD grant and had an interview last week (not a lot of hope as Roxborough does not have a lot of collaboration of artists in Arapahoe county); one of Staffers putting together a book and available for sale; Arrowhead gold club offered space for a featured artist each month with western art displayed in the restaurant; ReMax office can also display art; need a new look each month working on subletting space for others to show art – a featured artist a month that will be from the waiting list; want to make more inviting for others to return; banks want artists to show, as well.

Audubon Society: Bird Banding from April 25th – May 30th; set up a net to catch the birds, band or read banding; cool to talk to the people doing this to understand migration trends.

Roxborough Water and Sanitation: replacing all water and sewer lines on Elmwood, Garwood and Fairwood; work will be completed in September; narrated presentation is posted on the District web site; working on District water plan for water treatment; watch for an initiative on the November ballot for approval; District has excess money in our bond fund (roughly \$5M) but need to get approval to use those funds for whatever is need for the District; 50-50 chance Denver will treat our water; they don't like that we are at the end of the line even though we sit beside them; if they can get water to Lockheed Martin, they can get water to us; working to get a plan in place by 7-31-11 so know what to ask on the ballot; \$15M out of \$20M in the bank and \$5M in the debt service; rate increase on Monday; bumped reserves on the sewer to \$2.50 from \$1.24 and water went up .75 and added a \$3 charge for a replacement for treatment; Braley Acres water is being treated by Denver Water.

Roxborough Area Historical Society: May Event: "The Life and Times of Henry Persse," **Tuesday, May 10, 1-4 pm** at the Roxborough State Park Visitor Center.

4-H: Community project is a garden by Cabrini Church; \$75 to pay for water for a season 10'x15' it is a regional community garden and able to put in the water; ready to go – need families; two large lots to use for food banks; Open Arms Food Bank, 3-5pm (300 families), many grandparents raising grandchildren; donate food; off Pierce and Coalmine; they have refrigeration so will work with them; inter-faith task force on Hampden and Wadsworth; received \$500 from the Littleton Garden Group; horse camp coming up June 6-9th for kids trying to pass Level 1 and 2; girls passed written test; 8 riders and 2 horseless horse kids moving along on projects; to donate contact Douglas County Fair Board.

West Metro Fire Dept: no report

Arrowhead Clubhouse: very positive start to the year, course came out of winter best ever; new staff members, new Director of Golf; rolled out a Thursday night golf league w/ great prizes and food; will send emails out for Easter brunch this weekend and Mother's Day brunch.

Ravenna: no report

****** Next meeting is Thursday, June 16th 9:00-11:30am Rox Park Community Center ******