

## GREEN VALLEY RANCH CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD

July 21, 2009

6 P.M.

### Green Valley Ranch Recreation Center

Executive Board Present: Tim Sheahan, Jerry Jacobs, John Brown, Elaine Smith, Thad Jacobs, Jeff Jacobsen, George Goldstone, Lynn Goldstone, Angela Harris

Other Board and Residents Present: Jim Tanner, Anthony Deloach, Richard Melano, Amy Schwartz, Kyle Fox, Yvette Claeys, Layla Rosales, Chris Sautter, Shannon Lind, David Stahlecker, Michael Hancock, City Councilman

The meeting was called to order by President, Tim Sheahan. Introductions were made.

A motion was made by Jerry Jacobs to approve the April 21, 2009, minutes and George Goldstone seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved after amending the misspelling of trains.

Jerry Jacobs, treasurer, reported that we have \$889. in the treasury. A motion to approve was made by John Brown and it was seconded by Thad Jacobs. It was unanimously approved.

**Soar Elementary School**--Gianna Cassetta, who was to speak on this matter, was unable to come due to an emergency with her child. Amy Schwarz reported that there will be a community meeting for Soar on Aug.11, 2009, 6 P.M., at the GVR Rec Center. Soar is a charter program awarded for Far NE Denver, perhaps on the new campus.

**Police Update**--Technician P.C. reported on the successful Neighborhood Watch program, attending a block party almost every weekend. Still, he is encouraging more to join. It was also reported that an elderly mentally challenged person has been exposing himself to kids in parks. The police may put a hold on him now that they have his address. Residents are encouraged to call when they see things like this. One attendee complained about boom cars. These are low priority calls and they hard to catch.

**Big Brothers, Big Sisters**--Chris Sautter shared with the group what the program does and his request for mentors. The organization believes in the potential of every child. Mentors spend time and have fun with a child they are mentoring, often for many years. They remind each child that he/she is a fantastic person.

**Michael Hancock**--Said the number one complaint is boom card, but it is hard to enforce. The City has a 120 million short fall for the remainder of 2009 and the next year and the City is trying to cope with that.

There are proposed changes in zoning codes and hearings are being held. District 11 is less affected by this than other parts of the City. Mr. Hancock will walk the District in August and is encouraging people to walk with him to meet and discuss issues with residents. There is a Neighborhood Conference on Aug. 1 on how to build strong neighborhoods on a block by block basis.

**Education Committee**--Thad Jacobs, chairman, updated the group on the new school campus near GVR. The School of Science and Technology was awarded a charter and placement with 6th to 12th grades on the new campus. A survey is being done which will be shared with DPS.

**Public Safety**--Jeff Jacobsen, chairman, reported that he will set up a committee meeting which will be an organizing meeting to follow up on neighborhood watch. He is encouraging people to join.

**Neighborhood Economics**--George Goldstone, chairman, reported that a web site has been launched and we're getting 100 to 200 visits a month and the numbers are going up regularly. The committee has three objectives: 1)to promote a positive image of GVR, take attractive photos, etc. 2)to continue building on the resource directory, 3) to promote businesses in GVR and promote people living in GVR.

**Community Events**--Angela Harris, chairperson, reported that they are planning the 3rd annual Gobble Wobble on Nov. 21st to be held at the GVR Golf Course. Sponsors are needed and they're looking for free advertising and for volunteers. There will be a meeting on Aug. 4th at McAlisters.

**GVR Metro District/HOA**--Elaine Smith reported that the Metro District and the HOA came to a settlement and have terminated their agreement so they exist now as separate entities. She also expressed concern that [with the negative things going on with the HOA (excessive Assessment, lack of accountability, legal actions by residents, etc.) that it would affect GVR's image with the wider community.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Elaine Smith, secretary