



# Colorado Centre News

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### NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

During the last few months there has been negative comments on social media, at Board Meetings, and phone calls to the District regarding the Board and Staff of Colorado Centre Metropolitan District. We would like to share one of several letters from a resident in Colorado Centre:

“Subject: Michael Cantin and the CCMD Board”

“To Whom It May Concern” “Michael Cantin is a valuable member of Colorado Centre and the CCMD Board. He has been an involved, passionate participant in this community at the local (Board), Commissioner (District 1) and House District (HD-15), volunteering countless hours for meetings, organizing and leadership. I know that Michel takes seriously his role on the Board of CCMD and works long hours to address the current situation as well as future, long term plans for the district such as the water and waste water treatment facilities. Michael was a key part in identifying and completing the strategy to fight new, over-reaching Colorado state laws that would have resulted in unreasonable oversight and gross expansion of facilities and dollars to meet new waste water standards. Michael always approaches his volunteer participation in organizations, at all levels, as a member of the community, someone who also lives by the rules and regulations he helps establish. I have worked with Michael as volunteers in the El Paso Republican Party for over eight years, four election cycles, and have found him to be a thoroughly honest, attention to detail and deliberate individual who does not take shortcuts and respects the process and the results.”

### PLUMBING REPAIRS – MAIN CURBSIDE VALVE

If a resident calls in a plumber, professional or friend for any type of repairs, Please be aware! - That individual cannot turn off the main curbside valve outside. There is a \$1,000 fine if this occurs. If the water needs to be disconnected you must call the office and request that our field personnel come out and disconnect services to facilitate plumbing repairs. Also, the plumber should not tamper with the inside meter as this too is a violation of CCMD Rules and Regulations (e.g. taking it off the base, etc.) A homeowner/resident committing any of these violations will be assessed the \$1,000 penalty.

### BEWARE - SEWER USAGE CHARGES!!

#### DECREASE YOUR SEWER USAGE CHARGES!!

A common concern expressed by many residents is the charge for sewer service. Your new sewer usage charge for 2018 will be calculated soon. The \$6.95 per thousand (1000) gallons-use charge will not be increased in 2018. In order to minimize your sewer usage fee for the entire year, please be aware of the following procedure. The sewer base for each household is calculated by averaging your water usage during the months of December and January and multiplying that average usage by \$6.95 per thousand (1000) gallons. The sewer usage fee remains the same every month for the entire year. The average household tends to have the lowest water consumption during these two months. **Consuming less water during December 2017 and January 2018 will decrease your sewer expense throughout the entire year of 2018.** Your new sewer base monthly fee for the year will be reflected on your February 2018 bill.

### FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT CHIEF JOSH WINTER:

Happy New Year from your Colorado Centre Firefighters! As you all have seen, it has been a busy year for Colorado Centre Fire Department. We have had a 19% increase in emergency calls from 2016 to 2017. Your firefighters have responded to a wide variety of alarms from different types of fires such as car fires and vegetation fires to medical emergencies and public assists to hazardous material incidents. As the Fire Chief I am happy to have a dedicated group of professional firefighters to rely on to answer your calls. What is important for you to know is that it is an honor for us to have your trust in allowing us to perform our duties and assist you in your times of need. For this month’s fire safety tip, please keep your Christmas trees watered as long as they are inside of your home. Dried out Christmas trees become an extreme fire safety concern due to how fast they will burn once they are dried out. Keep your family “fire safe” by removing the trees from your homes as soon as possible after Christmas.

Again Happy New Year and have a Safe start to 2018!

Josh Winter, Fire Chief

Colorado Centre Fire Department

### WELCOME ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT AMIEE

#### LONG!!

Amiee Long joined the staff of Colorado Centre Metropolitan District on December 12, 2017. Amiee is a Colorado Springs native and has extensive utility company experience. Amiee is replacing Sandy Goad and has become a valuable addition to Colorado Centre Metropolitan District. Amiee looks forward to getting to know all the residents of Colorado Centre.

### CUCHARS RANCH HOA – RAYMOND HIBBERT

#### REWARD

Cuchares Ranch HOA is offering a \$1,000 reward for information leading to the prosecution of the individual(s) responsible for vandalizing the Community Park (Cuchares Ranch Park). Damages such as these detract from our community and cost every homeowner money for repairs. This particular crime was likely carried out by unsupervised youth and is being investigated by the El Paso County Sheriff Office. If you have information please contact Raymond Hibbert at: [rhmman@yahoo.com](mailto:rhmman@yahoo.com)

#### 2018 Regular Board Meetings

The 2018 Board Meetings schedule was approved at the November 16, 2017 Regular Board meeting. Meetings begin at 5:30 p.m. (except where noted) and take place at the Fire Station.

Thursday, January 25, 2018	Thursday, July 26, 2018
Thursday, February 22, 2018	Thursday, August 23, 2018
Thursday, March 22, 2018	Thursday, September 27, 2018
Thursday, April 26, 2018	Thursday, October 25, 2018
Thursday, May 24, 2018	Thursday, November 15, 2018
Thursday, June 28, 2018	Friday, December 7, 2018 (5:00pm)

#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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