

Magalia Community Park Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, March 3, 2025
Magalia Community Center

Minutes to be transcribed by the Executive Director at a later date

Linda Horton-Lyons, Chair

1) Call to Order & Board Roll Call

Meeting called to order at 6:01pm

Board members present: Linda Horton-Lyons, Chair, Lucas Warmerdam, Vice Chair, Rich Gingery Jr, Secretary, Ryann Pinnegar, Phil Howard (via Zoom), Jake Bates, Disc Golf Commissioner, and Executive Director Chris Rauen. Not present: Ryan Soulsby, Roni Turner (illness).

- 2) Guests: Monica Gaxiola (Roni Turner's daughter-in-law) Chris Mahoney, Lauren Wemmer, Jeanne Brovelli, Sarah Michael (Community Garden Committee), Beth Parsons (Youth for Change – Family Center)

Quorum: Board Quorum requires four (4) members. Quorum has been met.

It is then clarified for the chair that Item 6 on the agenda shall be swapped with Item 5.

Chris Rauen requests that a moment of silence be observed to keep Roni and her family in our thoughts and prayers (Roni is now in hospice).

- 3) Approval of Minutes: February meeting minutes have been submitted for review.

Motion to approve minutes was given by Lucas & seconded by Rich. Minutes approved 5-0.

4) Treasurer's Report – Balance \$61,581.46 in Tri-Counties account, reported by Monica Gaxiola.

Monica introduced herself as Roni Turner's daughter-in-law and described her role in assisting her with the MCP bookkeeping & reports during the past year and a half as Roni's health declined. She helped keep Quickbooks up to date, access the bank account online, assist with compiling budgets and spreadsheets. Monica met with Chris Thursday 2/27 to discuss where Roni had left off with the bookkeeping, and offered to step in to fill out the remainder of her term to help with the transition to whoever the board may wish to have take over these responsibilities on a longer term basis.

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- 5) ***Approval of Monica Gaxiola to serve as accountant for Magalia Community Park, in consultation w/the Executive Director and the MCP Advisory Council – Requires Board Motion and Vote***

Monica stated that due to her decline in health, Roni is no longer mentally capable to fulfill her term and role as treasurer. Chris asked Monica if Roni had given Monica her consent to act on her behalf on this matter, and she stated that yes, she had.

Ryann Pinnegar moved to approve Monica to serve as accountant for Magalia Community Park. Motion was seconded by Rich Gingery Jr. Motion was approved 5-0.

- b) Invitation to Monica Gaxiola to serve out remainder of Roni's term as a board member of Magalia Community Park***

Lucas Warmerdam moved to invite Monica to serve out the remainder of Roni's term as a board member. Motion was seconded by Phil Howard. Motion was approved 5-0.

- c) Nomination of Monica Gaxiola to serve as Treasurer.***

Ryann Pinnegar nominated Monica to serve as Treasurer through the end of Roni's term (Dec 31, 2025). Rich Ginger Jr. seconded the motion. Motion was approved 5-0.

- 6) Removal of Roni Turner as signer on Tri-Counties Account

- a) Discuss & decide who should be signers on the account: We have 3 signers now besides Roni: Chris, Rich and Linda. Donna Yutzy (special counsel to MCP) wanted us to know that because Chris is a volunteer and not on payroll, MCP nor Chris are covered for any legal issues that may result from a check that Chris signs. D&O insurance also does not cover because Chris is neither a director or officer, but as an employee, with a very minimal stipend, he would be covered. Her advise to the board was to re-instate Chris back on salary at whatever minimum amount the board decides, so long as he is on payroll, for the security of MCP and for Chris.

Ryann added that she preferred having more signers because of her experience with Pine Ridge PTO and not being able to sign checks due to lack of signers.

Phil strongly suggested that not one, but two people, be required to sign all checks. Chris would be primary because he is most available; the other person should be available locally as well.

Ryann Pinnegar motioned that there be 2 signatures per check going forward, for Magalia Community Park. Rich Gingery Jr. seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Rich Gingery Jr. motioned that Chris Rauen receive a \$50 stipend per month for the calendar year of 2025. Seconded by Linda Horton-Lyons. Motion approved 5-0.

Roni Turner, due to being convalescent and unable to perform her duties, will be removed from the bank account as a signer, and in discussion it was determined that Ryann and Monica would be added as signers. Check signers would be Chris, Rich, Linda, Ryann and Monica.

Rich Gingery Jr. motioned that we will be removing Roni Turner as a signer, and adding Ryann Pinnegar and Monica Gaxiola as signers. Lucas Warmerdam seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Beth Parsons recommended to the board approving the drafting of a one-page “corporate resolution” stating all of the actions taken that are needed for the bank, signed by the Secretary, which would be filed along with the meeting minutes to the bank.

Ryann Pinnegar motioned that a corporate resolution be drafted to: a) enact the motion to have 2 signers per check for Magalia Community Park and b) to enact the motion to remove Roni Turner as a bank signer and add Ryann Pinnegar and Monica Gaxiola as bank signers. Document to be signed by the Secretary. Seconded by Linda Horton-Lyons. Motion carried 5-0.

7) Family Center on the Upper Ridge – Beth Parsons – Looking for ways to make the Family Center more warm and welcoming with add’l items. Open House to be held Tuesday March 4 at 3:30pm in conjunction w/the grand opening of the PUSD Wellness & Resource Center.

8) Executive Director’s Report – Chris

PRPD Neighbor to Neighbor Grant Submissions – Kristi Sweeny responded back to our request to collaborate on an Easter Egg Hunt & Carnival; it has been approved and will take place Saturday, April 12. Grant will cover rental of the MCP facility. Same day as the kids fishing derby at Paradise Lake but the Egg Hunt will appeal to a mostly younger age group. POA has offered volunteers from their Social Committee; Rich also noted that members of the Masonic Lodge is interested in volunteering at the event if it’s needed, and Beth is interested in having a table if they can provide staff on a Saturday. Update on music grant application later in the agenda; we have not yet heard back on the Movie Night proposal.

Fundraising – Chris will be working on a small scale individual donor campaign. Post cards with “requests” will be mailed to about 60 prior donors/supporters of MCP who we have not heard from in more than 2 years. Also calling/emailing corporate and business sponsors from past years for larger contributions.

Maintenance – Course is too wet to take large equipment to do major work on trees, cleanup, etc. but projects are on the radar. New house is going up on culdesac off Shaw Circle and other locations; need to be aware of contractors driving onto & tearing up the course. Ryann reported that Darren has ideas for erosion control in certain areas previously discussed (i.e. #18 tee pad). Chris will meet with Lynn Bakke of SELPA (Sspecial Education Local Plan Area) – she works with youth who are doing chores & various tasks for organizations, for which they are reimbursed for their work time. Idea is that they could organize work days helping Jake w/clean-

up on the course, around the Community Center buildings and other projects. Ridgeview Rangers are also back online and they'll be working with MCP on helping with sprucing up the area around the center.

9) Committee Reports

Disc Golf Committee Report – Jake reported another good month in February, good sales in the pro shop and steady number of players. New order has just been placed for more inventory. 22 people at last tournament, March tournament is scheduled for Saturday, March 22.

Linda reported that she connected with Pizza Factory for a disc golf sponsorship (they are a yes), and Les Schwab is also a yes.

Wellness Committee

- A) Community Garden Update – Jeanne shared that 11 out of 12 garden beds are now rented out & 16 active gardeners. Also received donation of garden shed & supplies from a neighbor on West Park. Budget: Jeanne & Lauren are working on finances for garden, previously working w/Roni and look forward to transitioning to Monica.

Committee members made a presentation to the board with a display showing the orchard plans area next to the garden. Looking to utilize local resources around the orchard for decoration & beautification for community. *Committee explained that they need an adequate fence surrounding the trees*, which would be identical to the fence that was installed for the garden. Also need hose bibs & drip lines/irrigation; sources have been donated to the community for this phase including 14 trees, 8 vines and many plants & seeds, herbs etc. Total needed for fence and water is \$2,500, however \$2,100 is “very much needed” while the other items could be sourced from other areas. Chris stated that in his last conversation w/Roni, the garden had about ~\$1000 left in it's budget. Lauren went through her report and they are calculating \$2,945 left. Monica worked on this with Roni and believes the garden balance should be just around \$2000. Reasoning given by committee to invest in more expensive fencing was their research in longer term success for the orchard plantings & trees. Concerns raised by Chris about spending the garden's remaining balance on the fence; Lauren shared they do have more community fundraisers planned; general consensus is that there is strong potential for the garden to replace funds expended in the fence.

Phil and Linda would like to see actual numbers before voting to appropriate funds for the fence, with the added suggestion of a “not to exceed” amount.

Ryann motioned to give the garden committee approval to purchase fencing for the orchard,* not to exceed \$2100*. Seconded by Linda. Motion carried 6-0.

B) MCP Youth Activities – Chris reported that two successful TK-6th Grade Youth Nights were held in Jan & Feb, each with 35-38 kids + several parents. Scheduled Teen Nights were cancelled due to weather or low turnout, we are attempting to try again in March. Adult chaperone ratio is on parity with the number of attendees, and all chaperones are livescanned now (and soon will be so that we can be promoted through PUSD’s Resource Center). Also Dawn Elise (Paint Parties by Dawn), local artist is holding kids & family paint activities with us now regularly once a month. Family Center activities continue to expand and grow in numbers.

C) Events – Music on the Green

Phil is just starting to call bands & set preliminary dates. Update on PRPD N2N grant application from Kristi: because the concerts are an *entertainment event*, it no longer qualifies for grant funding. This was news to both PRPD and to us from the State, however they are willing to sponsor one “entertainment” event this summer. We will go forward with seeking sponsors for the main series; will scale back between 5-8 music nights. Chris has agreed to make calls to last years sponsors to bring them back for 2025.

Sidenote from prior agenda item: Chris is working on getting quotes from other brokers & insurance companies who are willing to write policies for community centers & passive recreation sites, that are less expensive and less restrictive than our current company.

8. New Business:

Rich spoke to Pine Ridge Elementary about the Community Garden; there are teachers who are still wanting to be involved and he will convey this in an upcoming meeting. Ryann will also convey news about the garden to parents at PTO. Lauren spoke with a 3rd grade teacher at Pine Ridge & is looking at a potential grant where we might partner with them for the benefit of the kids.

Listening / brainstorming sessions organized by Magalia parents for John Stonebraker were very successful, with about 12 families attending the first session & 10 adults w/o children attending the second one. Lots of feedback given on what Magalia residents would like to see in the way of park & rec amenities on the Upper Ridge.

Next meeting will be Monday, April 7, 2025 Meeting adjourned 7:30pm.

Minutes transcribed from audio recording and respectfully submitted to the Secretary of the Board of Directors on 3/24/2025.

Richard D. Gingery, Jr., Secretary

March 24, 2025