

Magalia Community Park Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, October 6, 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 & staff present: Linda Horton-Lyons, Chair, Ryan Soulsby, Vice Chair, Phil Howard, Ryann Pinnegar, Jake Bates (Disc Golf Director), and Executive Director Chris Rau. Treasurer Monica Gaxiola & Lucas Warmerdam joining via Zoom. Not present: Rich Gingery Jr.

2) Guests: Lauren Wemmer (Community Garden) joined mid-way through the meeting.

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

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

Motion to approve minutes was given by Ryan Soulsby & seconded by Ryann Pinnegar. Minutes approved 5-0.

4) Treasurer's Report – Monica reported a bank balance of \$42,928.03 (includes “reserve” funds of \$10,000 from NVCF); Less the \$10,000 in reserves from NVCF, total is \$32,928.03 for our working budget. Chris followed by explaining that MCP was not notified by the State that our sales tax report was due until a few days prior to the deadline. Monica needed to submit this report on short notice to avoid losing our sales permit. Upon review after payment, a much higher dollar value on the sales was reported to the state than the actual sales, so MCP has refiled and requested a refund. The refund is expected to be in the range of \$3000 to \$3500.

Jake added that he also has a cash deposit of \$700-\$900 not yet reflected in the total balance.

Monica also reported that our 2024 Federal & State taxes have now been filed and everything is up to date.

5) Executive Director's Report – Chris

Chris reported on two Neighbor to Neighbor events held in September w/PRPD; the Kids Free Disc Golf Day held Sat, Sept 13 from 9am to noon was a success, with around 10 children

participating in collaboration w/PRPD staff and Jake & Ryan (Soulsby). Wide range of ages. Ryan shared some great success stories from the kids & what they learned.

Second event was the Fall Family Funfest held Saturday, Sept 27; this was the fourth year of collaboration with the park district on this event, however the turnout was lower than any of the three prior years. There were also a few less activities offered than before, and the building was not used (it had previously been used for games, RC cars, etc.). Scott indicated there had been some staff issues/changes, and that we could review & revamp for next year. What was offered – the inflatable games, facepainting, farm animals, etc. was enough to entertain the children who attended but we definitely want to do more with this in the future.

Outstanding funding not in our account: Feather River Health Foundation (\$5000 due) – funding approved but not yet paid out. DPF funding from Supervisor Teeter’s funding (\$1200) *has* been paid out and is in the account. Also sales tax refund (referred to earlier), may take some time but is pending.

New potential programs & rentals: Community Action Agency of Butte County. Hilary Crosby reached out to Chris to bring some services for unmet needs in Magalia. They work with clients to help schedule medical appointments, transportation, housing resources, etc. and also have a division that works with individuals in financial distress that could lead to homelessness. They are interested in utilizing the office space 4 to 8 hrs. a month to start with.

Senior Self-Defense Training Course – Ron England is a local resident with martial arts credentials interested in teaching a “walking cane” self-defense course for seniors in October. Chris is requiring that Mr. England provide proof of insurance prior to the class.

Paradise Stronger – will be compensating MCP \$100 per month (vs. the prior \$50/mo) for continued use of the Community Center for their exercise classes.

Adventist Health also looking to do some life-skills type activities in different communities and would strongly consider holding some programs at the community center as one of the sites.

Chris is also continuing to reach out to BCOE for potential use of space at the Center.

Receiving several calls on fall rentals, mostly baby showers & birthday parties, around \$100-\$200 per rental.

Maintenance – Chris is in contact with a former colleague who is a contractor and is offering to fix up the benches & bulletin board in the main courtyard area before the gala on the 8th. Ryan asked if this person could also modify the South Pines sign to allow for a bulletin board and a roof.

6) Gala update:

Linda shared that Rich Gingery (w/ business partner Nik Weber) will be sponsoring at the \$2500 Master of Ceremonies level (thank you Rich!). Lions will sponsor at the King Cake level, along

with several other businesses. Donations have been committed from a number of businesses for raffle & auction items; she will be continuing over the next couple of weeks to collect more. Ryan Soulsby is looking to donate one of his custom made wall clocks as either a raffle or auction item. Chris reported incredible response to this event, to the point that we are close to selling out and we are looking to set up an event-style tent on the parking lot next to the building for overflow diners. We will monitor the numbers closely but may only need to use the building. Many partner organizations of MCP are signing on – MBA & POA are working on a sponsorship as well. We have sold ALL the sponsorships and some of them twice over. North Valley & Adventist Health also on board. Burnt Barn Distilling (Melissa Shuster) is attending and will also donate \$580 in spirits for auction. After some discussion on music & talking to Joanne & Phil, we are looking to have live music that will be appropriate to the dinner. Music can be in the courtyard. Izzy's space will be utilized for raffle & auction items. Crosswalk should be lit well enough from the security lighting from the building to the parking lot. Possibility of heater for the outdoor area. We'd also like to have the pro shop open during the event so donors can see what we offer – we very much want the disc golf aspect of MCP to be represented strongly.

7) Committee Reports

Disc Golf Committee Report – Jake & Ryan shared that the “Monster Tournament” will be on Oct 18; two holes are combined into one, which becomes an extended & challenging 9-hole course for the day.

Phil asked when the “dark periods” are for the course when there are no players, etc. and does winter affect hours – Ryan clarified players are out there year-round & all through winter.

Players committee looking where they can use sponsors. CTP brings players up for bounties & ace pots. Looking at incentives like \$15 gift certificate to Izzy's, or a business putting a bounty on a certain hole. Good comments on the membership packages, Ryan expecting an uptick with the holidays coming and lots of positive feedback on the new prices.

Sales tax categories defining merchandise are being cleaned up in the inventory & POS system.

Jake clarified that the Zettle report for September *is reflective* of the cash (the approx. \$900 discussed earlier) but is not in the bank as of yet.

Player committee will have a larger meeting soon to put forward a schedule that would include Shasta and new tournament opportunities, hopefully before January. Shasta Series status being discussed; Chris has been talking with Jake & Lucas about getting a weekend event permit from the County to permit camping for players during the event.

Course property / maintenance update: Chris reported that there were two water main breaks on Iona Court across the street; the culvert leads to a drain at hole 18 which was plugged so the water flooded the fairway. Drain will be fixed in the coming week.

Wellness Committee

- A) Community Garden Update – Finishing up the orchard area w/Chris Mahoney. Lowes just opened a new community project grant program, and may accept the Garden as a project (\$1000) to help finish the garden including providing their own volunteers & staff on the project.

Scarecrow Contest & Open House Sun Oct 26.

- B) MCP Youth Activities – Chris is filling in for Ryann Pinneger temporarily in keeping the youth nights going twice a month; 20 Junior High & High School students came to our youth night in September. Very successful & appreciated the activities. Maria, Cara, Tina and Austin have all been helping – Ryann we look forward to having you back soon!

Halloweenfest – will be on Halloween Day at MCP, Friday Oct 31 from 4pm to 7pm. Trunk or Treat on the parking lot, 19 cars signed up now (we still need more cars to sign up), games on the lawn and Halloween-oriented crafts in the center. Amanda Harrington w/PG&E is bringing a donation of candy to both the POA and the Community Center. Discussion on coordinating helpers for crafts

Gala will be one week later, Sat Nov 8, and the Christmas Tree Lighting & Party exactly one month after that (Fri, Dec 5). Chris will begin the process of seeking out a Christmas tree. Discussion w/ Ryann Pinnegar on what activities we'll offer & supplies we need for the kids (sounds like we have all the supplies). Bonus activity potential – a kids “New Years Eve” party (early), if there is enough interest. It is a busy season for us!

- 8. New Business: Chris gave an update on the proposed recreation building put forward by PRPD for the future Lakeridge Park. This has caused concern among members of the community, as the intent is to serve the same purpose as Magalia Community Center and is being viewed as an unnecessary duplication of services. Chris is having further talks w/PRPD board members as the overall park project moves forward. The MCP board has not taken any formal position on this as of yet but may wish to do so.

Linda shared that *she* was the winner of the \$1000 gift card that the Paradise Lions Club was selling tickets for through the summer – congrats!

Next meeting will be Monday, November 3, 2025 Meeting adjourned 7:48pm.