



Magnolia Heights Neighborhood Association
General Meeting – AGENDA – Tuesday, April 21st, 2026

7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. in Person at Golden Isles Brewery

- 1) Welcome & Call To Order
- 2) Attendance: 15
- 3) Police Report from our community Officer: Nicholas Panella
 - a) Community Police Officer Nicholas Panella was introduced as the neighborhood's assigned officer. He encouraged residents to reach out as needed and shared his contact information: Nicholas.Panella@stpete.org. No major police or safety updates were discussed.
- 4) President's Report: Warren Willingham
 - a) Special Guest: Austin Smith with St Pete Recycling
 - i) Austin Smith presented detailed guidance on recycling in St. Petersburg, including accepted materials, common contamination issues, and safety concerns (especially regarding batteries). He explained that recycling currently costs the city less than landfill disposal, though it is not a revenue source. Information was shared about recycling drop-off sites, brush sites, missed pickups, damaged bins, and the city's hauling and processing model.
 - b) We have room for one more board member at large if anyone is interested! It's very low effort, we have one meeting a year and you may be asked for opinions on neighborhood matters a few times.
 - i) four to five residents volunteered to help with iterative tasks and special projects to help maintain momentum through the remainder of the year.
 - c) Neighborhood Yard Sale - March 28th
 - i) The neighborhood yard sale was described as successful, with positive participation and no reported complaints. Residents shared personal experiences highlighting strong turnout, community engagement, and interest in repeating the event next year. Ideas for future coordination of leftover items (donation, recycling, or Buy Nothing groups) were discussed but no decision was made.
 - d) Block Party recap!
 - i) The block party was reported as a major success with strong attendance, volunteer support, and sponsorships. Volunteers and organizers were publicly thanked. Activities included children's zones, food service, music, and sponsor booths. Leftover food was donated through community and local organization channels.
 - ii) Approximately 400 attendees
 - iii) \$297 in donations

- iv) 25 flags sold
- v) 6 memberships
- vi) Plans were mentioned for a block party after-party to recognize volunteers.
- e) Neighborhood Cleanup - April 25th & 26th (8am - 8pm)
 - i) A large roll-off dumpster will be delivered to the neighborhood, we can use it to throw away almost anything that we want.
 - ii) Will be on 12th St N and 34th Ave N (roughly)
 - iii) A few things we can not put in the dumpster: tires, etc.
- f) Future Guests
 - i) Tricia Smith, St. Pete Library System, will join our May meeting to tell us about the City's library resources. She will be signing us up for library cards.
 - ii) Kira Barrera, Special Projects Coordinator, with the City Water Resources Department will join us at our July meeting to discuss water and wastewater utilities
- 5) Neighborhood Concerns & Suggestions
 - a) The group reviewed the leadership timeline:
 - i) Officer nominations in November
 - ii) Elections in January
 - iii) December meeting skipped
 - b) Members were encouraged to consider leadership or support roles.
 - c) Bill Feller is now assisting with the meeting signs from 15th to 13th Streets (30th–34th Ave).
 - d) Kelsey Yates has volunteered to reach out to confirm upcoming speakers as needed
- 6) Adjournment: **Next meeting will be held IN PERSON at Golden Isles May 19th**
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