Magnolia Heights Neighborhood Association

General Meeting – AGENDA – Tuesday, June 16th, 2026

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

1) Welcome & Call To Order
2) Attendance:
3) Police Report from our community Officer: Terry Landas (Nicholas Panella not present)
    - E-bike stolen off someone's back porch, they were able to get their bike back
    - Residential burglary: suspect entered through open garage and stole wallet out of unlocked car. Suspect almost stole a shotgun off a workbench as well but thought better of it. Suspect was caught doing the same thing elsewhere and arrested.
    - Do not leave your belongings in your car, especially where they can be seen.
    - Always always secure your guns.
4) President's Report
    a) Special Guest: Lindsay Cross, our State Representative
        - She just got done with her legislative session in March
        - She will not be running again, but endorses a new candidate to take her place: Lindsay Polega-Quigley https://lpqforfl.com/
        - Florida is about to go through re-districting, this will impact our district and who we can vote for. Our districts in FL have now shifted from being 20 REP - 8 DEM to 24 REP - 4 DEM. Our district (District 60) will now include areas south of the Skyway Bridge in Manatee County.
        - When redistricting changes are finalized, we will likely be getting a new polling location and new voter registration cards in the mail. Be on the lookout and stay informed.
        - Voters in FL will now require "Real ID" to vote. This makes voting more burdensome for citizens, as non-citizens were not allowed to vote anyway. You will now be required to bring "Real ID" to vote in person. If you have changed your name, your ID must match your voter registration.
        - New laws require voters to manually renew their requests for mail-in ballots. If you wish to vote by mail, make sure that you are registered on the Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections Website. You can no longer check "I would like a mail-in ballot for the next election", it will not get you a ballot.
        - Please renew your request for mail-in ballots here if you wish to vote by mail: https://www.votepinellas.gov/ You can also check if you are already registered if you are not sure.
        - Elections
            - Primary: August 18th

        - General: November 3rd
    - Lindsay's legislative session
        - Proposed bill for expanding access to elections after natural disasters (i.e. allowing different polling location if it is flooded from a hurricane), bill did not pass
        - Proposed bill for allowing more oversight for construction cranes, passed
        - Passed "no wake zone" bill so speeding cars will not be allowed to produce wake in flooded areas
        - Proposed a bill that would help municipalities keep up with permitting after natural disasters, bill passed
        - Passed bill that makes it illegal to export endangered or threatened marine life internationally for educational/exhibition purposes
    - Property tax bill
        - It is estimated that the new property tax bill that we will see on our ballots will drastically reduce the amount of money available to the city for stormwater, sewer, drinking water, roads, etc.
        - Many rural communities will have their tax bases wiped out
        - Will essentially eliminate "home rule". Municipalities will be forced to go to the state to ask for money
        - Water management districts will have their budgets reduced by approximately ⅓. They are the people who plan our water supply, regulate pollution, enhance water quality, etc.
        - This bill must get 60% of the vote to pass. Keep yourself informed, tell your friends, and get out and vote.

b) Future Guests
    i) Kira Barrera, Special Projects Coordinator, with the City Water Resources Department will join us at our July meeting to discuss water and wastewater utilities
    ii) Lisset Hanewicz, our City Councillor for District 4 will join us at our August meeting

5) Secretary Report: Madison Rice
    a) Minutes will be posted on the website
6) Adjournment: **Next meeting will be held IN PERSON at Golden Isles July 21st**

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