

COUNTY SERVICE AREA-81
Fallbrook Local Parks Advisory Committee
— MEETING MINUTES —
AUGUST 21, 2025, Live Oak Park Visitors Center
2746 Reche Road, Fallbrook, CA 92028

In Attendance:

Committee Members in Attendance: *Chair Sean O Callaghan; committee members Ricardo Favela, Jim Loge, Sue Reed, Kari Hoyer, Stephani Baxter & David Throop.*

Absent: *None*

County Staff Present: *Jake Enriquez, Riley Dewitt-Rickards, and Nancy Santillan, Lauren Raduc, & Andrew Anderson.*

1. **Call to Order** — Sean O'Callaghan, Chairperson 9:01 a.m.
2. **Open Agenda** — Opportunity for members of the public to speak on subjects within the Committees authority, but not on todays agenda. Limit 2 minutes per item.
 - One Community member in attendance.
 - No public comments were made.
3. **Approval of July 17, 2025. Minutes** — Committee
 - Motion was made to approve July 2025 Minutes; Motion passed with all members in favor.
4. **Financial Report** — David Throop
 - Encumbrances: \$925,851
 - Expenses: \$24,725
 - Revenue: \$33,795
 - New Funds: \$940,010 (a substantial increase over last year)
 - New Balance: \$995,474 (up over last year)
 - Fund Balance: \$725,937
 - Sean inquired whether all PLDO (approximately \$926,00) have been cleared \$926,000)
 - Riley explained that the County will have a close out process. A notice of completion will be submitted to the recorder's office and the capital project will be closed out. It is not clear how long before the financial tab will be adjusted.
 - Suggestion was made to invite additional stakeholders such as Boys & Girls Club within the community to our meetings to encourage more involvement in local initiatives.
5. **Community Center** — Nancy Santillan
 - **Presentation recap by Nancy:**
 - Community Center is wrapping up its 10 week summer youth camp program.
 - **Summer Programming:**

- Planning a Movies in the Park for September 12th.
- Planning for “Safe Halloween event” for October 25
- Tennis courts continue to be very busy.

6. **Parks Updates** — Lauren Raduc & Andrew Anderson

- Live Oak Park: Nothing to report.
 - Not a lot to update across the board.
 - Movie in the park will feature “Inside Out 2”
- Don Dussault Park: nothing to report.
- Clemmens Lane Park: Nothing to report.
- Rainbow Park: Nothing to report.
- Willow Grove Park & Horse Creek Ridge Park: Nothing to report.

7. **Village View Park Update** — Riley Dewitt-Rickards

- Opening day has been set. Flyers have been distributed and announcements made across community and public platforms.
- Concerns regarding the notification and the slope of the crosswalk have triggered significant public safety concerns.
- Stephani requested that the concern and issue be elevated with collaboration from Eileen Delaney, Chair of Fallbrook Planning Group, DPW, Traffic division, etc.
- Committee discussed the need for traffic control and supervision the day of the park opening as well as the first few weeks to draw attention and awareness to the new crossing and foot traffic coming to and from the park.
- Shade has also been brought up as a high concern by both the Committee and community. There is very limited shade due to not fitting within the project budget, and smaller trees planted throughout the park due to the landscaping grant, nowhere near mature size. Stephani recommended looking into the Community Benefit Program.

8. **PLDO Priority List Discussion**

- New list is due by the end of November 2025
- Committee is requesting that the County provide a list of available land that to be considered for new parks. Stephani noted that Nolan Group recently acquired a large plot of land near William Frazier that could have been the perfect location for an additional park with amenities that would fulfill the community’s ongoing requests. Parks and CSA-81 lost out on that opportunity and do not want to miss out on similar ones in the future. Jake informed the committee that the request would be a ‘secondary priority’ due to the limited funds, which is the starting point for conversation. The Committee asked for Jake to have the County provide a presentation to the group with a list of land available for park development. This would help the Committee to identify land to potentially “land bank,” given decreasing availability of suitable parcels.
- Land acquisition is a priority. Committee would like to rally the community and encourage stakeholders to get involved and contribute.
- Committee has desire to focus on developing Rio Prado to include a large secondary Community Center and use this park location as a central hub for surrounding neighborhoods and amenities.

- Stephani updated the group on the importance of keeping “trail connectivity” as a high priority on the list. DPW is presenting Stage Coach Lane Project to Climate Action Plan for Funding. This will improve connectivity, walkability, and pedestrian safety.

9. Other Business

- No additional items were discussed.

10. Adjournment — at 10:17am

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Kari Ann Hoyer