

Friends of Anastasia – <u>Annual Meeting Minutes</u> Saturday October 21, 2017 – 1 PM Water Sports Building of Anastasia State Park

- 1. Rich Gallik welcomed Members and Guests
 - 1.1. Acknowledged Park Staff and Volunteers
 - 1.2. Thanked Brian and Sandy from Island Grill (Cape Leisure) and their staff for their help.
- 2. Presentation Our Speaker Capt. Adam Morley, eco-tour operator, environmentalist, former President of Friends. Adam spoke about plastic recycling and the impact plastic has on our water. The Park plans to have a Salt Run clean up using his "Litter Gitter".
- 3. Lunch
- 4. CALL TO ORDER
- 5. Friends of Anastasia State Park is a CSO (Citizen Support Organization) providing support to Anastasia State Park.
 - 5.1. MISSION STATEMENT: To generate supplemental resources which will provide increased recreational opportunities and further enhance protection of the natural and cultural resources of Anastasia State Park.
- 6. Welcome Members Membership report (Cecile gave the report): 145 Members 15 Lifetime, 2 Corp, 1 Non-profit. Last year @ 132 now 145 = +13. The Membership thanked Dennis Salvati our Membership Chairman he does an exceptional job! Thank you Dennis!
- 7. Board
 - 7.1. Rich introduced Officers and Board Members.
 - 7.1.1. President Rich Gallik
 - 7.1.2. Vice President Rita Roberts

- 7.1.3. Treasurer Doug Imshaug
- 7.1.4. Secretary Louise Gallik
- 7.1.5. Directors Cecile Nusbaum, Tim Coons, Michelle DeAngelis, Katrina Denny and Nico Recore.
- 7.1.6. Committee Chairs
 - 7.1.6.1 Membership Dennis Salvati
 - 7.1.6.2 Fund Raising Michelle
 - 7.1.6.3 Endless Summer Run Doug
 - 7.1.6.4 Park Cleanup & Volunteers Rita
 - 7.1.6.5 Web Site/Facebook Cecile
- 8. 2017 CSO Accomplishments
 - 8.1 Purchased a used Explorer to replace a vehicle that was damaged by Matthew
 - 8.2 Purchased a printer, office furniture
 - 8.3 We conducted several beach "Clean-up" efforts and Cecile had 21 students from Rotary here on October 7th doing a clean-up.
 - 8.4 Music in the Park Thank you to Cape Leisure and Kayla, Chuck, Eric, Rangers Billy & Steve. We added professional bands to our regular schedule of our Park Band Regulars. Very successful we look forward to next year.
 - 8.5 We also did several painting projects for the Park.
 - 8.6 We had a booth at the FOSAA Children's Art Festival.
 - 8.7 Our 14th Annual ENDLESS SUMMER RUN was on September 23rd. This year we expanded to a total of 600 runners (10K @ 300/ 5K @ 300). This is our major fundraiser and we again partnered with Don's Friends. The race is very popular and sells out early. We could not accomplish this without Jim and Renee Wauldron, our volunteers and the support of the Park Staff. This year the race was two weeks after Hurricane Irma's destruction and our staff worked long hours to clear the trails of fallen trees and storm debris to open in time for this race.

It takes lots of effort to put on this event. A big thank you to Doug & Liane, Rita, Louise and Cecile for all the extra work to make this a success.

- 8. Financial update Doug. Our bank account is at approx. \$50,000. We are still closing the books on Endless Summer Run Our goal was to make \$10,000. The success of the race may earn \$12,500 for both our CSO and Don's Friends
- 9. The CSO received several checks from the Amphitheatre for parking during concerts and special events.

Note: 2017 Financial Information is at Friends of Anastasia Website – covered in the monthly meeting minutes

10. Nomination Committee (Rita and Louise).

This year was a bit unusual since Greg Adams asked to leave the Board for health reasons at our July 18th meeting. According to our Bylaws {Section 7.5.2 as Vice President Rich acceded to the office of President when Greg left. The Board of Directors elected Rich to serve as President. (He was approved to fill Greg's unexpired term.)

At this Annual Meeting we have the following listed as Officers of our CSO.

Rich Gallik - President

Rita Roberts - Vice President

Louise Gallik - Secretary

Doug Imshaug - Treasurer

Directors – We have added two new Directors to the Board this year - Michelle DeAngelis and Nico Recore. They replaced Karl & Triss Holland who left the Board when they moved to Mexico. Both have been filling a vacated Board position. They would like to continue to serve on the Board.

Our Bylaws in Section 5.1 states that our Board shall consist of no less than 7 and not more than 11. We are at 9. We can add 2 more members to our Board.

The Nomination Committee on October 15, 2017 sent an email to all members asking if any member would like to nominate someone to serve on the Board.

DID YOU RECEIVE ANY NOMINATIONS? - NO

DO WE HAVE ANY NOMINATIONS FROM THE FLOOR? - NONE

<u>VOTE BY MEMBERS.</u> A motion was made by Cecile and seconded by Tim that we approve the Officers and Directors as mentioned. A vote of membership was held and all were approved.

Rich welcomed the new members to the Board and thanked the membership.

11. Rich introduced Park Manger Mark Giblin & PSS's Chanell Guillaume and David Jones.

Mark presented a slide show about Anastasia State Park. Pictures were shown of some of the destruction by Hurricane Irma as well as some of the improvements and accomplishments during the past year: a remodeled Ranger Station and Administration Bldg., upgraded bathrooms at Windsurf Pavilion, a new Anastasia Watersports Bldg. with classroom and a very successful Southeast Park Managers Conference held at the Park only weeks after Hurricane Matthew.

He pointed out that attendance at the Florida State Parks was 32 million and at Anastasia State Park was 700,000 in last year. In spite of the hurricanes the revenue at Anastasia had increased 13% from the previous year.

PSS's Chanell Guillaume and David Jones explained their responsibilities at the Park,
David is in charge of Resource Management and Chanell manages Volunteer Services and
Camp Hosts. They stated that

Volunteers constitute 30% of the workforce.

- 12. The Board thanked all the attendees for joining us today.
- 13. Our next meeting is November 14that 6 pm. (Moved up a week because of Thanksgiving we normally meet on the 3rd Tuesday). We meet in the Park Admin building which is located in the Amphitheater parking lot.
- 14. Rita Roberts announced our next Beach clean-up is scheduled for Saturday October 28th from 9 am 11:00 am.
- 15. The CSO presented Past President Greg Adams and our Treasurer Doug Imshaug with certificates thanking them for their years of service and the work they have done for Friends.
- 16. Adjourn

Submitted by

Louise Gallik, Secretary