

FRIENDS OF ANASTASIA Membership Meeting – August 8, 2019

President: Rich Gallik – Present

Vice President: Rita Roberts – Absent

Secretary: Louise Gallik – Present

Treasurer: Katrina Denny –Present

Board Members - Present – Cecile Nusbaum, Kevin Monroe

Board Members - Absent - Nico Recore, Beth McCoy

Anastasia State Park - Brandon Volbrecht

Members- Lynn Monroe

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm. Membership was welcomed by Rich Gallik at the Administration Building Meeting Room.

Discussion of meeting minutes from July 11, 2019. No changes required. Motion to approve by Cecile and seconded by Katrina and approved by all.

Presidents Report: Rich Gallik –

We continue to pursue donations of “gifts” for the Silent Auction held along with the Endless Summer Run September 21 and also the preceding evening during package pick-up.

The August Adopt-a-Nest program fund raiser at Sarbez has been canceled. It will be rescheduled in 2020. Some of the items for their Silent Auction may be sold at a separate table during the ESR because they are time sensitive/ may expire.

We will be purchasing a CSO tent with our CSO logo and turtle graphics for use at Endless Summer Run and other events.

When Mark returns from vacation we need to purchase the used golf cart that was funded by St. Augustine Nissan.

Anastasia State Park: Brandon Volbrecht

Brandon reported on the progress of the new Amphitheatre/campfire area which will be ADA compliant. There will be a cement walkway from a parking space to the area. We are adding 15 benches, a fire pit and the area will have lighting and electrical. It will also have a screen for showing videos. The Park is adding wooden steps from the camp road to the area. This will become a wonderful location for group educational talks and other activities including outdoor cooking demonstrations.

The Park is also adding an overlook viewing deck at our Old Spanish Coquina Quarries with more signage describing the significance of the Coquina Quarries, and a walkway.

We are building new composite trash can enclosures to replace the existing wooden ones that require more maintenance.

The paving of our main park road is scheduled to begin on September 22nd. Also new sidewalks will be added.

The Park will be adding Ranger Station staff - collecting entrance fees. This is a paid position \$10.00 per hour and the person will work 3 days per week. Brandon asked if we knew someone that would be interested to contact him. This could lead to a full time position.

Again this year the campground loops will be closed for maintenance as, one by one, they are updated, cleaned and trimmed up.

Financial Report: We emailed the July Financial Report to the Board – the board approved the report. Katrina mentioned if we need any additional information to contact her and she can answer any questions.

Membership Report: Dennis is on vacation – he has been mailing membership cards to new members – he will provide a membership report at our September meeting.

Fund Raising: Adopt-a-Nest and Turtle Sticker sales-

Sponsorships for the 2019 Adopt-a Nest program are going well. The Silent Auction Fundraiser for the Program August 11 at Sarbez was canceled. We talked about having an Adopt-A-Nest tent setup at our Endless Summer Run.

Endless Summer Run – September 21, 2019 –

We are sold out.

It was noted that the Race has become so popular there may not be enough parking for the runners, spectators and volunteers. Carpooling is suggested. We are working on a shuttle service to off-site parking (possibly R. B. Hunt).

Cleanup: nothing planned right now

Web Site/Facebook: Cecile and her staff (she mentioned Bob is her web designer) have been redesigning our website. She gave us a preview and it looks amazing. She will send the board a link to the new site. ESR and Adopt-a-Nest will have their own pages and the new design will make it easier to access all information. The Board thanked her and look forward to its completion.

Our next general meeting is September 12, 2019 at 6:00 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 pm.