



Friends of Anastasia Annual Meeting – Saturday- January 18, 2020 @ Water Sports Building

President: Rich Gallik – Present

Vice President: Rita Roberts – Present

Secretary: Louise Gallik – Present

Treasurer: Katrina Denny –Present

**Board Members - Present – Kevin Monroe, Beth McCoy, Nico Recore, Cecile Nusbaum
Anastasia State Park – Mark Giblin, Brandon Volbrecht**

Members- Bob Hazelton, Maureen Long, William Ross, Laura Lane, Monson Lane

Meeting called to order at noon.

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.

Discussion and approval of November 14, 2019 Meeting Minutes – posted on our Friends of Anastasia website (We did not meet in December 2019.) Motion to approve Rita, seconded by Kevin and approved by all.

President’s comments-

Rich Gallik introduced the CSO Board, Park Personnel: Mark Giblin, Park Manager & Brandon Volbrecht, Assistant Park Manager and thanked members & guests for attending. He also introduced the new Manager of Watersports & the Beach Grill, Gary Martin.

Review of CSO/Park Mgrs. “Annual Program Plan”, it was submitted to Tallahassee on 12/11/19. This 2020 Plan is posted at our Friends website.

The new truck we approved in 2019 at \$26,179.75 was delivered on Wednesday (1/15/2020). The Park added \$1,237.50 in Options (from PMS account). The total purchase price is \$27,417.25 (MSRP \$40,560) it is a 2020 Model). Since the purchase will be in 2020 we revised some of our financial goals for 2020 Program plan.

Katrina & Rich reviewed the 2020 Budget handout – also posted at Friends website. Each category was explained to the membership so they could understand each expense, donation and fundraiser revenue. Katrina reported we have approximately \$59,000 in our checking account before the check for the truck payment is processed.

Membership voted and approved the 2020 Budget.

Anastasia State Park update: Chanell Guillaume, our former PSS, is now at Long Key State Park. Mark is interviewing for her replacement.

The main road paving project will soon begin. Sidewalks will also be widened.

Friends thanked the Master Gardeners for their Brazilian Pepper Tree/ Invasive tree removal project. This has been a massive undertaking. The trees reseed readily and crowd out the native species. Rich introduced Monson Lane one of the Master Gardeners who has been involved with the project which has been recognized by the State of Florida as one of the top 10 in importance.

Membership Report – Rich – 166 Members [143 Family – 2 Corp – 21 Life]. [2019 @ 168-3-19= 190] Thanks to Dennis Salvati for his years of service. With Dennis’s help I have been acting as membership, getting a feel for what is required. Our current thinking is we will not move forward with The Wild Apricot program (\$600 per year for 250 members) cost & we don’t need the website development). We get membership requests either via PayPal or from people who fill out our membership form. November 4(3 PP–1 mail) December 9(5 PP–4 mail) / January YTD 6 (4 PP – mail 2). We are using an Excel spreadsheet to track membership. Looking into having the spreadsheet in “the cloud” – 2 or 3 people working membership = 1 does new members and renewals + 1 does Life and Corp + 1 sending out renewal letters. Bob, Beth and others have offered to assist!

Financial Report – Katrina Denny explained how she has simplified the recording of our finances by using Quicken. This has cut down on duplication.

Committee Chair Reports

Endless Summer Run - September 12, 2020 – Our NEW Save The Date Flier was unveiled. Already we have 25 sign-ups.

Rita Roberts – clean-up and volunteers. On the First Day January 1 Beach Clean-up we had over 30 volunteers. Some have been coming every year. There were 100 attendees for the First Day Hike.

Web Site/Facebook – Cecile- The website is always being improved and updated. Will be ready for users in about a month.

Fund Raising – Our Adopt-a-Nest program and Sea Turtle Stickers continue to be popular programs here at Anastasia State Park. March will highlight the 85th Anniversary of Florida State Parks and the 71th Birthday of Anastasia State Park. We will be working with The AMP on another Toast To The Coast Concert to place the spotlight on our beautiful State Park.

Bob Hazelton has offered to join our Board and become involved with creating new Membership Program. The Board and Membership unanimously approved adding Bob to our Board.

Our 2020 Board – Rich Gallik President, Rita Roberts VP, Katrina Denny Treasurer, Louise Gallik Secretary – Directors Beth McCoy, Bob Hazelton, Cecile Nusbaum, Kevin Monroe and Nico Recore.

New Business: Nissan St. Augustine donated \$1,500 toward the purchase of a golf cart. We need to ask Nissan to visit the Park for photos (Cecile & Rich arrange with Mark)

Announcements - Next Membership Meeting – February 13, 2020 at 6 PM at Park Admin

Adjourn – 1:45

