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**President: Greg Adams (present)**

**Vice President: Rita Roberts (present)**

**Secretary: Sharon Burbelo (present)**

**Treasurer: Doug Imshaug (present)**

**Board members: Rich Gallik, Karl Holland, Triss Holland, Bob Ganley  
Dennis Salvati (present)**

**Member Members/Guests: Diane Glass, Louise Gallik (present)**

**Anastasia State Park: Brittany McDermott, Rene Acuna, Warren Poplin (present)**

**1. Call to Order**

**2. Mission**

**Friends Gathering Together to Celebrate, Protect & Enhance the Natural Beauty  
in Anastasia State Park.**

**3. Roll Call**

**3.1 Board Members – Greg Adams, Rita Roberts, Sharon Burbelo  
Doug Imshaug, Karl Holland, Triss Holland, Bob Ganley, Rich Gallik,  
Dennis Salvati.**

**3.2 Guests – We welcomed both Warren Poplin, Anastasia State Park Manager  
and Rene Acuna, Anastasia State Park Assistant Manager to our meeting tonight.**

**Warren Poplin started as the Park Manager at Anastasia State Park on May 1<sup>st</sup>. He  
comes to us most recently from Wekiwa Springs State Park, although he has  
maintained a career in the park service for 27 years and has worked at several  
state parks over the years.**

**René Acuña started as the Assistant Park Manager at Anastasia State Park on  
May 1<sup>st</sup>. He was promoted from a park ranger position at Caladesi Island State  
Park. He has a diverse background, a large part of which includes hotel  
management which will lend itself well to his new position with Anastasia.**

**4. Discussion and/or Approval of 3/18/14 Minutes:**

**Motion made by Karl and seconded by Rita to approve minutes. All voted yes to  
approve.**

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**5. Meeting Agenda**

**5.1 Anastasia State Park: Brittany McDermott**

Reported that there are 3 computers (2 laptops & 1 desktop) that are no longer needed. A discussion followed about what to do with them and Rich offered to see if area colleges would be interested in them (perhaps they will be able to offer us a service in return?). He will report back at next meeting.

The Motor Cycle Poker Run will be held on 3/8/15 and will include several state parks in District 3. Anastasia State Park will be the final stop...more to follow.

The Beach Bash will be held on 6/7/14 from 9am to 4pm. Friends of Anastasia will have a booth manned by members.

**5.2 Financial Report: Doug Imshaug**

The report was sent by email prior to meeting.

The money the park was owed as a result of the dredging has been received and is now in the account (\$1400).

A discussion ensued regarding the need to access funds for an emergency and Doug reported that this could be done immediately, if needed, as both he and or Greg are able to sign the checks.

**5.3 Membership Report: Dennis Salvati / Diane Glass**

Dennis gave the membership report and presented a written summary. Total membership: 127 in good standing. Five new memberships have been processed since 4/15/2014. Dennis thanked Diane for her help!

**5.4 Committee Chair Reports**

**5.4.1 Fundraising– Open**

5.4.1.1. Haunted Hayride: The group agreed that we will continue to move forward with plans for the event. Next meeting is at 6pm 6/17/14.

**5.4.2 Endless Summer Run- Open**

Doug reported that we now have 86 registrations.

To date we have received payment from one sponsor (Karl and Triss Holland).

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A discussion was had about the change in the registration card that is currently being used to register for and to promote the race. It was noted that one of the local car dealerships name (who at this time made a pledge) is on the front of this second registration card. The group agreed that we should be promoting Anastasia State Park. Warren stressed (and made it very clear) and the group agreed for the need to bring "ALL" changes such as this (changes to future cards, policies, procedures, etc.) to the board prior to any changes being made.

A discussion was had regarding what will actually be on the race-shirts given out to those who register. It was suggested that the Anastasia State Park logo "should be included". The board agreed that we must discuss this with Jim prior to the shirts being designed and produced. A separate meeting will be set up to discuss this in detail.

A discussion followed regarding the need to provide a bag to the runners that would be of better quality than the one we used last year, but no decision was reached. We also talked about the need to continue (or not) the ESR raffle of donated items. We plan to explore this further at a later date, as we also need to give consideration to "in kind" donations and what we do with them to help the ESR.

A discussion was had regarding the high school track team being given a discounted entry fee, but no decision was reached at this meeting.

Mile marker signs are needed for the 10K and members of the group decided they would make them.

A loud speaker is needed and Bob Ganley agreed to talk to Chuck Krantz about the use of his for the event.

Karl and Triss Holland purchased a much needed banner with our name and logo on it to be used at community events from Staples. The board voted to approve the purchase of the banner and Doug gave them a check at this meeting for 85.00 to cover the cost.

**5.4.3 Roadside Clean-Up (Rita):**

Next one will be JUNE 14, 2014 at 7:30 am. Rita will invite a Civic Association member to join us.

**5.4.4 Recycling/Go Green (Greg):**

The trailer is  $\frac{3}{4}$  full.

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**5.4.5 Web Site:** A discussion was once again had about updating. Rich will contact First Coast Tech College to see if they might be interested in assisting. The website we are currently using is up-to-date and functional.

**6. Other:**

Members of Friends continue to have a booth once a month at the Farmers Market at the Amphitheater to promote our purpose and activities. This week they were also at the Wednesday Farmers market at the Pier. Both Rich and Karl manned the booth and reported that many people stopped by to talk with them expressing an interest in our activities.

Greg suggested that a sign be placed in the Ranger Station announcing the date and time of the next Dogs and Jam event. Brittany will over-see this. The playground is now complete. Greg suggested that we send owner of the Island Beach Shop and Grille (Cape Leisure and Brian) a thank you. Plan is for the secretary to work with Brittany to follow through with this. The money that was donated by Cape Leisure was required by the Park Service under contract, but it did not necessarily have to be spent on the playground. It was very thoughtful to use the donation to build the playground.

**7. Announcements –**

The group discussed the possibility of receiving the agenda by email prior to the meeting and Greg agreed to this. Greg also suggested that if a board member wants an issue to be on the agenda that they contact him. Doug also asked that when the minutes are completed they be sent individually by email to members and Dennis agreed to do this.

The next Hot Dogs and Jam will be held on July 5<sup>th</sup> from 6pm-9pm. Island Beach Grill will now be providing the food (at a cost to the individual) and will offer a meal of hot dogs and chips, etc. Friends only have to supply the members and musicians.

Warren reported that he will plan to attend future meetings. He would like us to consider developing goals for our board. In turn, members asked that he and the park develop a “wish list” based on the park's needs for the board to consider.

**7. Next meeting 6/17/14 @ 7:00 PM**

The Haunted Hayride meeting will be held an hour earlier at 6pm.

**8. Meeting Adjourned:** Motion made by Bob, seconded by Karl. All agreed.