

Friends of Anastasia Board Meeting Notes/Minutes
September 16, 2014 @ 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

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, and Dennis Salvati (present)

Member/Guests: Louise Gallik, Kayla Douglas and Chuck Krantz (present)
Anastasia State Park: Brittany McDermott (present), 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, Rich Gallik, Karl Holland, Triss Holland and Dennis Salvati**

3.2 Guests – Louise Gallik, Chuck Krantz, and Kayla Douglas

4. Discussion and/or Approval of 8/19/14 Minutes:

Motion made by Dennis and seconded by Triss. All voted yes to approve.

5. Meeting Agenda

5.1 CSO President Report

5.1.1 Next CSO Meeting hosted by Friends of Florida State Parks will be in January 2015

5.1.2 Transparency: Greg discussed need for

5.2 Anastasia State Park: Managers Report: Warren Poplin

ESR was “AWESOME”

Anastasia State Park generates the top 10 highest income of all Florida State Parks with an 86% occupancy of the 139 campsites. There were 539,936 visitors to the park were this year. The park operated at a profit of \$414,000.

Consideration is currently underway to add additional playgrounds to the park. A quote for a cover to provide shade to the current playground area is going to be obtained and this will be discussed in further detail at next month's meeting.

Looking into moving the dumpster near the sea turtle pavilion to a less conspicuous place.

The truck has been purchased and Warren's other vehicle will be given to the staff.

5.2.1 Golf Carts: A request was made to purchase 2 (picture shown to those at meeting). Total cost = \$7490. After a discussion of the use of these carts as a means to decrease use of park trucks and possible way for all to access most areas a motion was made by Rich and seconded by Karl to purchase. All voted Yes to approve. The monies for the purchase will come from the "special park requests" account.

5.2.2 Radios: A request was made to purchase 10 with a cost of \$700. After a discussion, a motion was made by Karl and seconded by Rich for their purchase. All voted Yes to approve. The monies for the purchase will come from the "special park requests" account.

5.3 Anastasia State Park: Brittany McDermott

Volunteers need to continue to send in hours worked and attempt to limit those listed under "Administration". Brittany is available to help determine what other categories hours might be listed under.

Mailchimp is being used for updates.

Greg Adams (President) will donate a bicycle to the park.

The next Poker Run meeting will be at 1pm on 9/23/2014. Money from event will go into the "Friends" account and checks for payment will also come from this account.

There will be a volunteer appreciation potluck dinner on 9/23/14 at 6pm.

5.3.1 Bikes: A request was made to purchase 3 bikes to be used by staff and volunteers for the cost of \$100.00. After a discussion, a motion was made by Dennis and seconded by Triss for their purchase. All voted Yes to approve. The monies for the purchase will come from the "special park requests" account.

5.4 Financial Report: Doug Imshaug

The report was not sent by email this month prior to the meeting. A paper copy was provided to those in attendance tonight. It was noted that there is \$27,954 in the account

The paper copy provided at this meeting also included bank statements in order to meet the new regulations regarding "Transparency".

Greg made the motion that a financial committee be formed and Karl seconded the motion with the group voting Yes to approve.

Committee members include: Doug, Greg and Karl. It was also suggested that we include an area CPA and Rich will seek out a contact that he has.

Doug informed us that a 2 week notice is given if the financial status of the organization is to be audited.

5.5 Membership Report: Dennis Salvati/Diane Glass

Dennis presented the membership report with a written summary. Total membership: 161 in good standing. Memberships Processed since 8/19/2014 are 19 (15=new, 4=renewal). Many new memberships were from the recent ESR. Increase in membership is also attributed to outreach efforts, especially Friends presence at local farmers' markets.

5.6 Committee Chair Reports:

5.6.1. Fund Raising

5.6.1.1. Haunted Hayride:

5.6.1.1.1. The next Haunted Hayride meeting will be Tuesday 9/30/14 at 6pm.

5.6.1.2. Hot Dogs and Jam:

5.6.1.2.1. Next event to be held on 11/8/2014 at 6pm. It was suggested that a schedule for the entire year be developed.

5.6.1.2.2. Gamble Rogers Visit: Greg suggested we attend one of their Hot Dogs and Jam events. The next one is 9/27/14 from 2pm to 7pm. He will send the plans in an email and contact Greg if you would like to go.

5.6.2. Endless Summer Run

5.6.2.1 Establish plan for 2015

5.6.2.1.1. Set Committee to discuss future

Committee members: Doug, Warren and Brittany. Date/Time TBA.

5.6.3 Roadside Cleanup-Rita Roberts

5.6.3.1 The next one is planned for October 4, 2014 at 7:30 am

5.6.4 Recycling/GoGreen (Greg):

5.6.4.1 500 pounds of cans were turned in for a total of \$250.00

5.6.5. Web Site: Dennis stated that Natalie Hruska will be working on this with the help of member, Leo Seaman, but held off until after the ESR took place.

6. New Business

6.1. CSO Operational Review: Greg reported that we did well but need to form committee to review how we operate as we have been in existence since 2000. General CSO procedures need to be examined

The name of our CSO needs to be changed officially to the Friends of Anastasia State Park.

6.1.1. Set Committee: The following volunteered: Greg, Doug, Rich and Triss. By Laws will be sent out by Brittany for review.

6.1.2 Establish Review and Update Plan

6.2 Grant for Turtles: Warren reported that this would allow volunteers to monitor. More info will be given at future meeting.

6.3 FOA CSO 15 Year Anniversary

Greg suggested we form a committee to explore ways to celebrate this event. Committee members are as follows: Greg, Rita, Warren, Louise and Sharon. First meeting date to be determined soon.

7. Announcements:

Warren suggested we think about a Holiday Party. The group was in agreement and will discuss at future meeting.

Announcements of upcoming monthly meetings will continue to be sent to all "friends". And the reference to being a Board meeting will be omitted to encourage attendance from regular members.

It was suggested that we consider obtaining an insurance policy to provide coverage to our organization and events. Greg agreed to look into this.

Karl suggested that we consider joining the Chamber of Commerce. Brittany said we once were members. No further discussion.

Rich suggested that we ask Richard Goldman to join us at a future meeting and the group agreed.

8. Next meeting 10/21/2014 @ 7:00 PM

9. Meeting Adjourned: Motion made by Dennis and seconded by Rich.