

FRIENDS OF ANASTASIA MEETING - FEBRUARY 14, 2019

President: Rich Gallik – Present

Vice President: Rita Roberts – Present

Secretary: Louise Gallik – Present

Treasurer: Katrina Denny –Present

Board Members Present –Cecile Nusbaum, Kevin Monroe

Board Members Absent – Timothy Coons, Nico Recore

Anastasia State Park PSS –Chanell Guillaume-Present

Park Manager: Mark Giblin-Absent

Member- Bill Rosenthal

Meeting called to order at 6 pm. Membership was welcomed by Rich Gallik, President.

Discussion of meeting minutes from January 12, 2019 Annual Meeting. Minutes were approved by Rita and seconded by Cecile and approved by all.

Presidents Report: Rich Gallik –

Rich discussed a new fundraiser for Anastasia State Park suggested by Mark Giblin. A proposed concert on the beach mainly organized by the Amphitheatre to feature a band called the Wheeland Brothers from California with a local opening act. They are currently featured at the Tortuga Music Festival in Ft Lauderdale. A possible date is April 19th. Since time is short the Amphitheatre will provide advertising, food and beverage sales, security. This initial concert will be free with park entrance fee. Our CSO will receive a percentage of the food and beverage sales. Many details still remain to be worked out. We voted to proceed with this fund raising event.

Anastasia State Park- Chanell Guillaume-

Chanell handed out a list of Park Programs/Events for February 2019. She has been successfully creating new programs to draw visitors to the park. Among them: Historical look at the Old Spanish Quarries tour, Bird walks, Trail Hikes, Photo Scavenger Hunts, Let's Talk Turtle Awareness lectures.

She also reminded us to report our volunteer hours and to fill out new Volunteer Agreement forms.

Financial Report: Katrina discussed our Financial Report and handed out a statement of Expenses and income from 2018. Our 2019 Budget was amended to include new items such as Turtle Sticker purchases – we have sold a total of \$323.00. The new approved budget will be available on the Friends website.

Update on the Adopt-a-Turtle-Nest Program- Linda Buschman and David Jones have reported new Sponsorships for 2019 as well as adoptions totaling \$500.00.

Committee Chair Reports:

Membership Report: Dennis emailed his report. Membership on 02/14/2019 = 175 members. We have 19 Lifetime Memberships, 1 non-profit SABCA - St Augustine Beach Civic Assoc.), and 2 Corporate (Kayak St Augustine and Cape Leisure Grill/Beach Store and Watersports).

Dennis would like some assistance with Membership with the hope that they would take over the responsibility.

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

Please see previous discussions above.

Endless Summer Run – September 21, 2019 - Flyers were handed out to Board Members – As well as Sponsorship Applications Runners have been registering for both the 5K and 10 K. We sold out the last four years and expect to sell out again before this race date. We would like to add some new Sponsors so please inquire among your business contacts. Paperwork needs to be received by mid-May so name can be included on t-shirt.

Cleanup: – A beach cleanup hosted by Sole Margin Fishing Conservation will take place Saturday, February 16, 2019. Following will be a lecture on Problematic Microplastics. The next CSO Beach Cleanup may be scheduled after the proposed Beach Concert or in June.

Recycling/Go Green: The Rangers have discontinued this program.

Web Site/Facebook:

Cecile would like to redesign our website at no cost to the club. There was a motion by Katrina and approved by all to update. The CSO will pay Old City Web Services \$175.00 for the SSL certificate which is due every two years and a Content Management fee for website updates every quarter at \$25.00 per update (\$100.00 per year.) OCWS will host the website for free also.

Our next general meeting is March 14, 2019 at 6:00 PM.

New Business – Kids Ocean Day at the Park May 3, 2019.

Volunteers needed 9 to noon. Sponsored by A1A Scenic Highway

The meeting was adjourned at 7pm so members could celebrate Valentine's Day. Treats were shared to celebrate.