



Friends of Anastasia Meeting – Thursday September 9, 2021 – Meeting at Watersports Pavilion- 6pm

President: Rich Gallik – Present

Vice President: Position Open

Secretary: Louise Gallik – Present

Treasurer: Katrina Denny – Absent

Board Members - Present – Kevin Monroe, Nico Recore, Cecile Nusbaum, Beth McCoy, Andris Duffy

Board Members (absent) - Bob Hazelton

Anastasia State Park – Mary Mazyck, Mark Giblin -absent

Members- Lynn Monroe, Maureen Long, Charles Gruhn, Linda Gruhn, Dana Harrison, Alicia Page, Roger Page.

Meeting was called to order at 6:10 PM.

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.

Our volunteers are an integral part of the Park Operations. They assist with Park projects, generate interest in Anastasia State Park through interpretive lectures, help raise funds through fundraisers such as Endless Summer Run, providing necessary equipment for the Park. Our Camp Hosts assist with cleaning out and preparing campsites, cleaning restrooms, and help with assorted Park projects.

President's comments-

- a. Welcome all to our September Meeting. Thank you for attending and learning about our organization. It has been rewarding to see so many new faces volunteer to help with our operations. A special thank you to Maureen Long for her work with Friends Membership.**

- b. We are busy organizing for this years' Endless Summer Run which has been rescheduled for November 13. Tim Tooker will be assigning volunteers to various duties. He can be reached at timtooker@bellsouth.net.**
- c. This year we will have a much smaller version of our Silent Auction held during Friday night packet pickup and during the Saturday 5/ 10k Run. Sunday Brunch at Casa Monica and a 2 night stay at the Guy Harvey Resort plus an Adirondack Chair with turtle logo painted by Kevin are among the items to be bid on. Payment in cash or check only.**
- d. We need volunteers who can assist with our Saturday Farmer's Market Membership Booth at the Amp in October (Rich is working on the date). Chances for the Anastasia State Park Paddleboard will be sold as well as our turtle stickers. Winner of the Paddleboard will be announced at Endless Summer Run on Saturday November 13th. Cecile has also set up a link on the Friends website to purchase chances. Kevin reports \$1,225.00 worth of chances have been purchased. A special thank you to those of you who have volunteered for this duty at the Farmer's Market.**
- e. 2021 International Coastal Cleanup September 18, 2021 starts @ 8am. If you wish to participate please contact Friends of A1A Scenic Hwy for sites in St John's County. The closest would be Pier Park Beach.**

Anastasia State Park Report – Mark Giblin and Mary Mazyck - Mark and Mary could not attend this Meeting.

Our PSS Mary Mazyck would like to remind volunteers to remember to log into the State Park Website to account for volunteer hours. These hours are important for accounting by the main office in Tallahassee. If you need assistance please contact Mary at 904-461-2035.

Financial Report – Katrina and husband Matt have welcomed a new baby Everett to the family. Congratulations!!

Membership Report – Maureen Long has volunteered to help with membership mail outs. She reports 5 new members this month.

Endless Summer Run – Rescheduled for Saturday November 13, 2021 – As per last year we will encourage social distancing during the event.

Adopt–A–Nest 2021 – the Sea Turtle Season has started and runs through October. Now that some restrictions have been lifted we can generate more interest in the program. Need some help promoting our Adoption Program.

Turtle Sticker sales have been very popular. We have a new design for our third year of sales. These are sold at the Beach Store and Ranger Station.

Web Site/Facebook -Cecile. Thanks to Cecile and her company for the new website.

New Business:

- 1. Annual Meeting needs to be scheduled - (date to be determined). Probably in 2022.**
- 2. A Friends Beach Cleanup needs to be scheduled. Mary has noted lots of schools have helped with Cleanups at the Park.**

Our next meeting will be Thursday - October 14, 2021. The Board Meeting will be held at the Water Sports Pavilion or Admin. at 6pm.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm.