



Friends of Anastasia General Meeting – Thursday June 11, 2026 – 6pm Water Sports Classroom

President: Rich Gallik – Present

Secretary: Louise Gallik – Present

Vice President: Mary Boutte - Absent

Treasurer: Katrina Denny – Absent

Board Members - Present – Ann Sokol, Theresa Nguyen, Cathie Forier

Board Members (absent) – Jessica Glenn, Andris Duffy, Bridget Kurland

**Membership- Robert Edwards, Cindy Wasserbauer, Jerry Eller, Rob Or, Laren Scota
Park- Michael Watkins, Michelle Schenk**

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 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. To provide an environment which benefits our community and all visitors.

We did not have a quorum and could not approve the May 2026 Minutes as posted on our Website will have to approve at next meeting.

President’s comments- The ADA Beach Sand Cruiser Wheelchair unanimously approved at the February Meeting has been received at the Park at a cost of \$3,665.06. Deposited \$1,080.00 on 6.8.2026 (\$472 Turtle Sticker Sales + \$608.00 Endless Summer Runners). Check to Ann Sokol for Membership Supplies \$113.45. Bank Balance \$129,177.80.

The six beach Glamping Bungalows installed at the Park by our concessionaire Cape Leisure have been very popular. They are fully rented for the rest of 2026. Cape Leisure has also added chair and umbrella rentals as well as e-bikes to their inventory.

Karen Janszen and Bruce Cathcart have volunteered to solicit donations of gently used golfcarts and UTV's from dealerships and businesses. We would like to acquire a 6 passenger vehicle. Brandon is also researching new golfcarts as our salty seaside weather makes frequent repairs necessary.

Michael reports that our PSS Amber is leaving so her position will be open. Also our Ranger Steve has retired so there is a Ranger position available.

**Michelle handed out Award Certificates:
Theresa Nguyen for volunteering 500 hours
Rich Gallik for volunteering 10,000 hours
The Bat House is still a work in progress.**

Endless Summer Run is now open for Registration Online. At www.DonsFRIEND.com.

FINANCIAL REPORT: on June 8th, 2026 we had \$129,177.80 in our Friends account. The Financial report was sent to the Board.

NOTE: NEED TO MAKE SURE KATRINA IS SENT (VIA EMAIL) COPIES OF ALL RECEIPTS WHEN ITEMS ARE PURCHASED ON OUR FRIENDS DEBIT CARDS.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a. **Playground: THANKS TO ALL – The ADA Playground fund is still at \$45,056.73 (We keep track of funds spent on a spreadsheet) – Michelle is working on the landscape project. A list of possible trees and bushes will be sent out for approval.**
- b. **Membership Report: 209 (Regular 143, Life 63, Corp & Nonprofit 3) – Thank you Ann for doing membership!**
- c. **Volunteers: Thank you to all volunteers.**
- d. **Endless Summer Run- scheduled for November 21, 2026**

- e. **Turtle Program 2025: - Turtle Season has begun and we have had 50 nests so far.**
- f. **Gopher Tortoise Circle: Michael and Brandon have approved tentative plans for firepit area with bench seating near ADA Playground. Pre-made composite benches would cost \$400.00 each. Andris' original design would call for two tiers of seating of approximately 7 sections plus room for wheelchairs. Also discussed adding a shade cover? Still in research and discussion.**

NEW BUSINESS:

Volunteer Opportunities:

Amp Tuesday Night Market – June 16th 5 – 9 PM

Amp Market Saturday June 27th 8 – 12:30

National Night Out - Oct 6

NEXT MEETING – July 9th, 2026, 6pm. Watersports Classroom

OTHER BUSINESS: None

Meeting was adjourned at 7:10 pm