



Friends of Anastasia General Meeting – Thursday August 13, 2026 – 6pm Water Sports Pavilion

President: Rich Gallik – Present

Secretary: Louise Gallik – Present

Vice President: Mary Boutte - Present

Treasurer: Katrina Denny – Present

Board Members - Present – Theresa Nguyen, Cathie Forier, Bridget Kurland, Jessica Glenn, Ann Sokol

Board Members (absent) – none

Membership- Cindy Wasserbauer, Karen Janszen, Toni Russ, Robert Ardelegn, Carole Ann Sorl, J B Miller

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 approved the August Meeting Minutes as posted on our Website.

President's comments-

Thank you to everyone attending our Meetings and to those who volunteer at our monthly information table at the Saturday Pier Markets as well as other events throughout the year.

Rich spoke about how important it is to make sure our expenses are clearly documented. As a non-profit we can be audited and need to be precise in our bookkeeping. Katrina must receive all purchase & deposit information so she can enter it in the correct category

of our record. If you are not authorized to use a Friends credit card or checkbook please give your receipt to Rich or Katrina so you can be reimbursed.

- 1.1 Our Friends bank account is with South State Bank and according to our By-Laws we are structured with four Officers –President Richard Gallik, Vice President Mary Boutte’, Treasurer Katrina Denny and Secretary Louise Gallik. The President, Vice President and Treasurer can write checks on our Bank account (Friends of Anastasia State Recreation Area inc. 1340A A1A S – St. Augustine, FL 32080).
- 1.2 In addition to our checks we have “Business Debit Cards” linked to our account. Currently there are two (2) Debit Cards – one held by The Park (Michael Watkins {or someone he designates to hold the card} and a second debit card in my possession. (At this time Mary and Katrina do not want cards). The Board Approved adding the Business Debit Cards to allow the Park to make purchases if needed for emergency repairs or purchases (Rather than waiting for a Board Member to write and deliver a Friends Check)
- 1.3 If Board Members have expenses that should be covered by Friends, please contact me to review and receive permission to make the purchase which will be reimbursed.

Karen Janszen has volunteered to research pricing of golfcarts and UTV’s from dealerships and businesses. Also to solicit donations of gently used golfcarts and UTV’s She has located a newer 6 passenger Polaris vehicle with windshield, overhead cover and cargo area for approximately \$17,500.00. Also a 3 passenger Polaris for \$15,943.25. The Board voted to authorize \$35,000 for purchase. Michael will further explore available vehicles. Brandon is also researching new golfcarts as they are very dependable in seaside/hammock terrain for maintenance and transportation.

Endless Summer Run is now open for Registration Online at www.donsfriend.com. Bags, shirts and medals have already been ordered. A beautiful new design featuring a large turtle will be prominently displayed on the shirts. The Run is scheduled for November 21,,2026. Entry fees are \$50.00 for 10k, \$42.00 for 5k, \$22.00 for 0/0 which is race shirt only. The run is on the sand.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Katrina sent June and July information reports to the Board. On August 10, 2026 we had \$127,068.00 in our Friends account. We have not heard from the Amp if we will receive a donation from any of the concerts this year.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a. **Playground: THANKS TO ALL – The ADA Playground fund is at \$37,806.83 after spending \$5,254.90 on landscaping plants from Southern Horticulture and \$1,995.00 for installation.**
- b. **Membership Report: 202 (Regular 136, Life 63, Corp & Nonprofit 3) – Thank you Ann for doing membership!**
- c. **Volunteers: Thank you to all volunteers for your continued support of our Park.**
- d. **Endless Summer Run - scheduled for November 21, 2026. It will be entirely on the sand this year**
- e. **Turtle Program 2026: - Bridget- Turtle Season in progress * 120 nests.**
- 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.**

NEW BUSINESS:

Amp Market Saturday August 22, 2026 -- 8 –12:30

Amp Night Market- September 15, 2026 –5-9pm Set up at 4pm

Amp Market Saturday September 26, 2026 –8-12:30

National Night Out at Pier Park - October 6, 2026--- 5-8pm

Amp Market Saturday October 24, 2026—8-12:30

Ancient City Kids Day Francis Field- October 24, 2026—11am-3pm

Amp Winter Night Market- December 8—5-9pm Set up at 4pm

NEXT MEETING – September 11th, 2026, 6pm. Watersports Classroom

OTHER BUSINESS:

Meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm