

Friends of Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park Board Meeting Minutes

Date: March 4, 2024 Location: Delnor-Wiggins State Park

Board Members Present:	Yes	No		Yes	No
Janice Kmetz - President	X				
Kim Finer - Vice President	Χ		Skip Counselman	X	
Val Thompson - Secretary		Χ	Donna Graham	Χ	
Eric Cosentino - Treasurer	Χ				
Park Staff In Attendance					
Terrance Torvund Pk Mgr	X				
Others in Attendance					
Alicia Astorga		Х			

Meeting called to order at 8:58 a.m.. A quorum was established.

President's Report - Janice Kmetz

An update was given on the changes to the website regarding direct email links, which have now been taken off. The CAT shuttle information has been added as an alternative way to the park.

The matter of board confidentiality was discussed. It is important that moving forward the information discussed at the board is between board members and the staff that were in attendance.

Wheelchair maintenance was discussed and the need for the maintenance to be done on a regular basis. Terrance stated that he would follow-up with staff.

The usability of the bike racks was discussed. They are not located in a good location and bikes are now being leaned up against the ropes, which is not an ideal location. Terrance will verify their locations.

Vice President's Report - Kim Finer

A thank-you card will be sent out to a donation we received from the gift program by PayPal. A report was given on the District 4 meeting attended by John and Kim Finer.

Secretary's Report - Outgoing Secetary Donna Graham

A motion was made by Eric Cosentino to approve the minutes from the February 5, 2024 meeting. Skip Counselman seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Treasurer's Report - Eric Cosentino

For the period ending January 31st, total assets were down 2.0% or \$4,401.29 year over year. Total income \$538.48. Net income for the period was down 245% to \$2,068.34.

Preparing financials for accountant.

Membership Report - Donna Graham

Current members 165. We continue to have a membership loss or members changing from a higher level of membership to the Seagul level. We should consider using facebook for new members.

Park Manager's Report - Terrance Torvund

Ashley has requested to perform our CSO Review this month. Janice will get back to Terrance with possible dates. Once a date is set it will be confirmed with the board.

Parking Areas 1 and 2 should be completed this week. Repairs to the boat ramp have started. Sewer Pressure testing starting soon.

Visitors to the park Janusary 2024 was 58,008. In January 2022 there were 17,626

Terrance thanks the Friends for the Members Only Exotic Removal Day. Sea Turtle season starts April 15, 2024.

Terrance announced that he would be leaving his position as Park Manager with a target date of April 1, 2024. He will be going to Tucson Arizona to be with his family.

The turtle permit that is currently in his name has been moved to Ranger Todd Ray. He also stated that there will be no additional names added to the permit. There will not be any future training of additional volunteers as those on the permit are board member/greenshirt plus park personal.

Mark Nicoletti will remain in charge of turtle monitoring and providing information to the Friends for the turtle nesting program.

Terrance will make sure the mobi mat is cleaned of sand.

There was a discussion held on the special treatment of a greenshirt that has been taking place in the park. Terrance stated there will no longer be any transporting of anyone to areas currently restricted to the general public. To get to area 5 the only access is to be the beach. Terrance will let all staff know.

Committee Report

Audit Committee - Eric Cosentino

The audit was completed by himself, Kim Finer and Donna Graham on February 12, 2024.

Currently working on the budget and will be providing a working copy to the committee members of Kim Finer and Donna Graham.

Old Business

Pop-Ups dates with Members Only Beach Clean Ups: Kim Finer

Each pop-up we are averaging \$300 donations. She recommended keeping it at 2 a month. Next pop-up dates:

March 9 - 8:00 a,m. to 11:00 a.m.

March 23 - 8:00 a.m. - Noon

On March 9th a group will be going to the event at Collier Seminole State Park.

Friends will also be attending the Conservancy of the Southwest Earth Day Event on April 20th.

Members Program Update - Donna Graham

We have had great attendance and excitement at our events. We will be having beach clean ups in conjunction with the Pop-Up dates. We will be having a shelling event hosted by Janice Kmetz and a nature walk hosted by John Finer. Both will be members only events.

Turtle Nest Update - Donna Graham

We have currently received donations for 25 nests. We have had a great respose on the rollout of program early this year. Terrance will be providing an update on the current amount of cages we have.

New Business

Kim Finer gave an update on the possibility of getting Osprey nesting platforms in the park. She will continue to work on this. Terrance will make an introduction for her with the State Biologist.

Skip Counselman made a motion to accept the new bylaws as presented. Kim Finer seconded the motion. The motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:02 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by	
Donna Graham for Val Thompson	
Donna J Graham	Approved: 04/08/2024
Signature	Date

Meeting Adjourned at

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Secretary: Donna Graham

Approved:

04/08/2024