

Meeting Minutes for Supporters of Delnor Wiggins Park Inc. MEMBERSHIP MEETING, FEBRUARY 12, 2007

The meeting was called to order by President Lois at 10:30 AM with 20 members present and 4 staff.

Geoff Burgerhoff, Estuary Guardian Fellowship program gave a presentation on the condition of the estuary in the Wiggins Pass area including all the efforts necessary to monitor, educate and protect the areas around our park. He encouraged volunteers to assist in various data collection and monitoring activities.

Bob installed the officers for the year 2007. Lois, Dick, Olga, Kay and Joe were present and sworn in. Three new regular members were welcomed to the organization.

A treasurer's report for the end of January was presented by Olga with a total balance of \$39,534.30. The Art Show yielded a gross of \$3753. New purchases included \$859 for two steel grills, and \$500 for books for the Ranger library.

A donated painting by a Colorado artist, Jim Freeheart was displayed. It will be offered for silent auction at next year's Art Show.

A special thanks to Carolyn for organizing the bus trip for Volunteer Appreciation day. A good time was had by all.

Bob reported the dredging is to be completed today, and plans are underway to make all restroom areas ADA accessible. Engineering drawings are forth coming. Work also has started to repair the louvers on the bathrooms.

Dick reported on the audit of the finances for the year 2006. All was in compliance.

Alicia announced that a group email has been set up on the website as: cs@delnorwiggins.org. This will enable any member to broadcast a message to all other members on the email list.

Sharon announced the deadline for submitting articles for The Palm Tree Press which are due by the 19th of February

A one day admission pass was offered to anyone traveling to a Florida State Park. This is part of our membership in the Friends of Florida organization. Contact one of the Board Officers or Carolyn Shaw for one of these passes.

Sign up sheets were circulated for volunteers needed for Discovery Day, April 14.

There will be an “Artist in Residence” for one year beginning in March. Bill North will be painting in the park as time and opportunity permit from March to March of 2008. A sign-up sheet was circulated for helping with Mr. North’s One-Man Art Show to be held at the Pavilion in Area 5 on March 24th from 10 AM to 3 PM.

This marks the 20th year of the CSO. Any ideas or a committee to work on a commemorative celebration, please contact Lois. Also, a perpetual plaque will be developed for recognition of volunteers in various categories of hours and years of service.

Volunteers are needed in the Park for various activities and repairs. Bob has some potential opportunities for help with beautification of the park entrance road and ADA improvements.

Joan Oberton announced that March 3rd is the Tag Sale at Veterans Park and everyone is encouraged to contribute.

A list of upcoming meetings and events for the balance of February and the month of March was reviewed.

Lois mentioned that T-shirts left over from the January Art Show were still available for a \$10.00 contribution.

A note of very mixed feelings was accepted by all as Lois indicates she will be leaving the area later this year. It will be a great challenge to replace her and all the dedicated work she does for the organization and the Park.

Meeting adjourned at 12:21 PM.