



**Friends of Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park  
Membership Meeting Minutes**

**Date: Jan. 16, 2024 Location: St. John the Evangelist Church**

**Board Members Present:**

	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>		<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Janice Kmetz - President	X		Valerie Thompson	X	
Donna Graham - Secretary	X		Kim Finer	X	
Eric Cosentino - Treasurer	X				

**Park Staff In Attendance**

Terrance Torvund Pk Mgr	X
Bob Garcia	X

**Others in Attendance**

20 Members of CSO

**Meeting called to order at 10:16 a.m. A quorum was established.**

**President's Report - Janice Kmetz**

The meeting was called to order and Janice welcomed all in attendance. The board was introduced. An update was given on the continued sales of our critters and the new Pop-Up events scheduled for the park. Our next Pop-Up event being scheduled for January 27th, 8:00 a.m. to Noon. Thanks was expressed to our webmaster Alicia Astorga for the work she does to keep our website up-to-date. Our "Year In Review" handout was discussed which was a reflection of the work accomplished in 2023.

**Treasurer's Report - Eric Cosentino**

Eric thanked volunteers Paul Sands, John Finer and Alicia Astorga for their assistance. For the fiscal year ending December 31, 2023, total assets were \$209,098.55, down \$1,023.42 or 0.50% from the previous year. Direct public support was down \$21,573.12 or 60.2% with the biggest decline coming from critter sales which were down \$18,195.08.

Total Income was down \$29,933.58 or 45.6% expenses were up \$2,325.83 to \$64,940.04. Overall, net income was only \$676.58, a decline of \$32,259.21 from the previous year.

**Membership Report - Donna Graham**

Current membership is 193.

There will be new volunteer involvement opportunities coming this year. Be sure and check your emails.

**Park Manager's Report - Terrance Torvund**

A powerpoint presentation was made on the Manager's responsibilities to the park, the rangers and the CSO. After the presentation questions from the membership were answered. Some of those questions:

1. Does Conner Park parking provide us any revenue? - Answer: No, it is a Collier County parking area.
2. Boat Parking Area, can this parking be used for additional beach parking? This area has been

reviewed, but due to the current tandem parking for cars/trailers, it does not work.

3. Is the concessionaire going to return? We are working with the concessionaire. Due to no water in the park.

4. When the parking lots are full and closed, how many cars have to come out to let others in? Currently it is 15 out and 15 back in.

**Committee Report - Janice Kmetz**

Turtle Season is coming up and we will be opening the Adopt-A-Nest adoptions early this year.

We are working on a solution to have a donation box. Security of such an option is our main concern.

**Nomination Committee - Donna Graham**

The slate of nominees was presented to the membership for 3 year terms: Janice Kmetz, Val Thompson, and Skip Counselman. Each nominee gave a statement.

A vote was called and the three nominees were elected to the board of directors by a unanimous vote.

**The meeting was adjourned at 11:29 a.m.**

Respectfully submitted by

Donna Graham

Secretary:

Donna J Graham

Approved: 02/06/2024