# Kachemak Bay State Parks Board Meeting Advisory Board Minutes October 9, 2013

- 1. Members Present: David Taylor, Glenn Green, Lindsay Wolter, Steve Shultz, Carol Harding, Mako Haggerty, Willie Dunn and Nancy Hilstrand (telephonic).
  - Staff Present: Chief Ranger Roger MacCampbell, Kenai/Prince William Sound Superintendent Jack Blackwell.
- 2. Changes to Agenda: None.
- 3. Adoption of the Agenda:
  - a. Motioned- Mako.
  - b. Second-Willie.
  - c. Adopted as presented.
- 4. Changes to Minutes:
  - a. Move Mako from staff to Board Member.
- 5. Adoption of Minutes:
  - a. Motioned-Lindsay.
  - b. Second- Mako.
  - c. Minutes approved as amended.
- 6. Correspondence: None.
- 7. Introduction of Visitors:
  - a. Monica Alveraz- DNR.
  - b. Shawana Guzenski- DNR.
- 8. Committee Reports:
  - a. Operations Report:

Roger provided board members with following operation report:

- Beginning close up of facilities across the bay.
- Repaired wood stove, purchasing new stove for spring installment for Overlook PUC.
- Ordered two new 4x4 ATVs for the South District use.
- Water drained in lagoon.
- One day boat operations check off for the fellow District Ranger.
- Tally Visitor counts.
- Eric preparing campsite inventory.
- Shotgun requalification for the defense wildlife; two new shotguns ordered.
- Water trail meetings, website development.
- Met with Monica, Shawana and Jack regarding Management plan: Preparing meeting dates. Toured local parks and across bay.

- Inspected CIAA permit site for tent platform, not in place chosen. Letter to go
  to CIAA follow up to email expressing dissatisfaction with placement of tent and
  platform, will need to be moved.
- Arranged for Archaeologists to do site visit this Friday.
- One week off due to medical reasons.
- Attended Friends board meetings.
- Visitor Counts: Trail counts reveal between 17,566 and 20,000 hikers this year on all park trails. 2012: 15,594; 2011: 14,578; 2010: 14,174; 2009: 13,935.
- 48 residents of outside states, with AK that makes 49. 35 foreign countries represented on trail registers.
- Working on Mooring buoy ideas, concepts. Please Google DOR-MOR anchors. Requested Yacht Club to help in review of anchor systems (DOR MOR) and suggest future sites.
- Inspected Halibut Cove Lagoon with D&C for replacement.
- Requested FEMA funding to replace upper Moose Valley Bridge, thru D&C
- Winterization of boats, patrol boat, skiff. Clean up tools and inventory (Eric).
- Eric attended one day meeting in Anchorage with other Park Techs/Specialists and Trails Section.
- Outside K-Bay area: instructed A.R.M. to leave Slide hole gate open until further notice. Worked on permit for ADF&G for new trail to access new Weir site, will be a public walking trail after development.
- South Peninsula Board Meeting. Patrol of park units; meet with staff (two days).

## b. Friend's Report:

Make provided board members with following report:

- Willie stepped down from board.
- Had annual membership meeting. It was a killer success. Approximately 15 new members.
- \$8,357.00 in bank- still haven't deposited from annual meeting.
- \$95.00 firewood sales.
- 9:00 a.m. at Mako Water Taxi unknown time of return.
- Water trail- Process of organizing and scheduling meeting October 18, 2013 tentatively at Homer Foundation.
- Dorothy is grant writing.

## 9. Old Business:

- a. Dark Sky Jack Blackwell and Roger reviewed proposal and are supportive of request which will be forwarding to the director's office.
- b. Department of Law State's Attorney- Tutka Bay permit is on his radar we should hear something back soon.
- c. Visitor Monica explained Supreme Court Ruling on permit.
- d. Questionnaire feedback wants to hear feedback to start the best proposed plan. They are aware of the issues with the park. The process will be lengthy may take several years. Shawana is project manager. Email her with changed or ideas.
- e. General conversation regarding open house.
- f. Questionnaire finalized next few weeks; will go out to large audience for a good amount of feedback.

g. Deadline for suggestions on questionnaire – Friday  $18^{th}$ .

#### 10. New Business:

- a. Sea Duck Refuge:
  - Nancy is concerned about the amount of sea ducks being harvested in Kachemak Bay and shared information about this with members.
- b. Prospective Board Members:
  - Term is up put in application now
  - Sent out regional media and shared on Facebook page.

## 11. Comments and Discussion:

- Gold panners on Park land.
- Woz Lake had a lot of clearing of alders and vegetation near boundary of refuge and park.

# 12. Adjournment.