

**Kachemak Bay State Parks Board Meeting**  
**Advisory Board Minutes**  
**April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015**  
**5:15 pm**

1. **Members Present:** Steve Schultz, Dave Taylor, Beaver Nelson, Mako Haggerty, Carol Harding, Stan Lefton, Lindsay Wolter and Glenn Green. **Telephonically:** Nancy Hillstrand and David Martindale.

**Staff Present:** Chief Ranger Roger MacCampbell, and Natural Resource Specialist Pam Russell and Eric Clarke.

2. **Agenda Changes: Approved as written**

3. **Minutes Approval:** Approved as written

4. **Correspondence: None.**

5. **Introduction of Visitors:** Janet Klein, Jeff Selinger, Jason Herreman, Toby Wheeler, Ken Bloom, Allen Parks and Marc Romano.

6. **Committee Reports:**

- a. Operations Report:

Chief Ranger Roger MacCampbell provided board members with the following operations report.

Some of the highlights of the report included:

1. Jason is continuing boat training to be certified to operate on salt water.
2. The boat ramp and docks at HCLRS have been closed. Design and Construction is working on obtaining funding for the project.
3. Jason and Erik cleared the Saddle and Grewingk Lake trails.
4. Six volunteers are hired and arrive in Anchorage in 5/15 or 5/16.
5. Chugachik work party on 4/11 to inspect and approval for tent platform site and Adirondak shelter.
6. The public use cabin at China Poot Lake received a few complaints; staff is currently looking into the complaints.
7. There is a new person working on the management plan will be available at the May Kachemak Bay advisory meeting.
8. Roger added about the budget is \$500.00 cut for State Parks.
9. HEA is still working on burying the electrical line and the poles should be donated to state parks.
10. Chris Pallister is working on cleaning Gore Point.
11. The department made an offer for the Luzadder property of \$250,000 and it was rejected. The department is currently looking at other options to use the money.

A copy of the full report is available upon request.

Mako made a motion that State Parks builds a secondary approach at Halibut Cove Lagoon, while the current ramp and walkway is closed.

Steve Schultz seconds the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

- b. Friends Report- Mako Haggerty reported that the friends have an approximately \$7,000.00 dollars in the Friends account. The meetings are held the first Monday of every month at the Cook Inletkeeper office.

- The group is currently working on the Shorebird festival. A kayaking activity will be on Friday evening May 8<sup>th</sup>, which will be approximately three hours and is birding by kayaks, the pancake breakfast is on Saturday May 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00am. Mako is currently selling tickets for the Pancake breakfast.
- A work group is scheduled to go out to Chugachik Island to install the bear proof containers and located sites for the tent platform and Adirondack shelter.
- Friendship walk is coming up soon.

## 7. New Business:

- Jess Tenhoff from Alaska Yurt rental would like to remove the outhouses that accompany the yurts in Kachemak Bay State Recreation Park. She is proposing to put in a total of 10 composting outhouses. The complete system includes a rotating turntable with three removable composter modules, plywood enclosure and a waste separating chute. There are 3-55 barrels that are rotating and aerated, with a special toilet lid that needs to be changed out every two years. A heat box with solar panels will be used for the power source. The total cost for each outhouse is \$5,000.00. Mako asked about the maintenance of the outhouse. Jess commented that there would be a scheduled maintenance that including adding a handful of medium, but the system takes care of itself. Lindsay recommends that Jess contact Jeffrey Lee from Seldovia who has been working with a company from Colorado on an Alaskan design.
- Election of Officers:  
Dave Taylor nominated Lindsay Wolter for chair and Steve seconds the motion. Dave Taylor nominated Steve Schultz nominated as vice chair. Carol Harding sends the motion.

This passed unanimously, officer will take their position in September.

## 8. Old Business:

- a. Dark Sky: No Report
- b. Staff funding: No Report
- c. Kachemak Crack: No Report
- d. Cook Inlet Aquaculture Association Permit Application: No report.
- e. New management Plan update: No report. Monica Alvarez and the new planner will be present at the May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015 meeting to give the board an update.
- f. Board of Game proposal 183: The proposal went in from of the ADF&G board and it did not pass. The proposal generated a lot of discussion and the board is aware that there is interest in created a special management area in the Kachemak Bay State Park. Baby step type process if there is a problem and make sure that Fish and Game is aware of the problem.
- g. Trail Plan working group/committee: Lindsay presented the maps of all the trails that were identified by the trail committee. The purpose of the committee was to identify new trails and change existing trails. The maps show the location of the trails, length and use, such as biking, hiking, skiing and snow shoeing. The maps include Kachemak Bay State Park, Eveline, Cottonwood Eastland area and Diamond Creek area.
- h. Hunting numbers: Fish and Game Area Biologist Jeff Selinger and Assistant Area Biologist Jason Herreman reported on the Wildlife Harvest and Survey Data for Kachemak Bay State Park. The quick outline and is the best of the ADF&G knowledge. Black Bear and Goats are the main animals that are harvested in the park. ADF&G is currently conducting a hair sample project with Black Bears. They dart the bears and collect the samples. The Black Bear harvest has decreased substantially. The department is not sure why the decrease is occurring and is currently working on a new DNA sampling process to help with research.
- i. Vacating Diamond Creek ROW: This was forwarded to Samantha Carol to work with BLM to identify if this is something we can accomplish. It is not clear if this is allowed under the conservation easement agreement held by BLM. Roger is currently working on finding a solution.

- j. Geographic place names: Janet Klein sister in Anchorage is helping with compiling historical names that may have been given to many of the sites by researching many of the native languages and Taz Tally's book. Janet is going to use a map to identify all the different names for each of the sites with a sticky note. It will then be the board decision to determine what name they would like to forward to the Geographic State Board to be placed on all maps and references books. Mako recommended that the National Geographic also has names to identify many sites.

Adjournment