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#### Florida Department of Environmental Protection

## CITIZEN SUPPORT ORGANIZATION 2020 LEGISLATIVE REPORT

(pursuant to Section 20.058 Florida Statutes)

Citizen Support Organization (CSO) Name: Friends of Manatee Springs State Park
Mailing Address (required): 11650 NW 115 <sup>th</sup> Street Chiefland, FL 32626
Telephone Number (required): 352-493-6738 Website Address (required if applicable): N/A

#### **Statutory Authority:**

Section 20.2551, F.S., Citizen support organizations; use of property; audit; public records; partnerships. In summary, the statute specifies the organizational requirements, operational parameters, duties of a CSO to support the Department of Environmental Protection (Department), or individual units of the Department, use of Department property, audit requirements, public records requirements, and authorizes public-private partnerships to enhance lands managed by the Department.

Section 258.015, F.S., Citizen support organizations; use of property; audit. In summary, the statute defines a CSO, requires authorization by the Division of Recreation and Parks, and specifies the use of property. This statute authorizes the Partnerships in Parks (PIP) program for state parks, the program's operational parameters, CSO's operational parameters, and donor recognition.

#### CSO's Mission: Consistent with Articles and Bylaws

The mission of the Corporation is to provide support to all properties managed as part of Manatee Springs Administration, including Fanning Springs State Park, through the promotion of volunteerism and local community support, public awareness, development of programs and events, and fund raising for specific projects as directed by the Park Manager and specified in the parks' Unit Plans. The group will interact with local related organizations through good communications and assistance with volunteerism.

#### **Description of the CSO's Results Obtained:**

Funded tree removal of unsafe trees in the campground loops. Repaired 2 golf carts for MSSP, Replacement batteries purchased for FSSP golf carts, donated a clothes dryer for volunteer village, supplied meals for Volunteers at parks events, purchased supplies for parks' events. Continued firewood sales to promote a better camping experience.

Community Events Supported: Park Events Supported: CSO supported FSSP Spring into Springs event (although canceled due to COVID19,) MSSP Clay Landing event, MSSP Bark in the Park event, MSSP "Finding Manatee Springs" Birthday event. Supported FSSP and the Fanning Chamber "Festival of Lights" Christmas event.

**Description of the CSO's Plans for the Next Three Fiscal Years:** *Expand section as necessary to be complete* Continue to promote awareness and educational opportunities at the parks by supplying direct assistance through volunteerism, monetary support as warranted as well as continuous local outreach and informational events and programs. The CSO will continue to support the parks' needs through the funding of various supplies and equipment as requested by park management.

- **◯** CSO's Code of Ethics is attached, and if the CSO has a website the code of ethics is posted conspicuously.
- ☐ CSO has attached the most recent Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-N receipt. If filing the 990-N, the Department requires the 990 or 990-EZ as a worksheet. All IRS Form 990's must be *complete* with Part III Program Service and *all* appropriate Schedules (See attached instructions). If filing an IRS extension, attach the IRS 8868 receipt and most recent 990 and schedules.

#### FRIENDS OF MANATEE SPRINGS PARKS, INC CODE OF ETHICS

#### **PREAMBLE**

- (1) It is essential to the proper conduct and operation of Friends of Manatee Springs Parks, Inc. (herein "CSO") that its board members, officers, and employees be independent and impartial and that their position not be used for private gain. Therefore, the Florida Legislature in Section 112.3251, Florida Statute (Fla. Stat.), requires that the law protect against any conflict of interest and establish standards for the conduct of CSO board members, officers, and employees in situations where conflicts may exist.
- (2) It is hereby declared to be the policy of the state that no CSO board member, officer, or employee shall have any interest, financial or otherwise, direct or indirect, or incur any obligation of any nature which is in substantial conflict with the proper discharge of his or her duties for the CSO. To implement this policy and strengthen the faith and confidence of the people in Citizen Support Organizations, there is enacted a code of ethics setting forth standards of conduct required of Friends of Manatee Springs Parks, Inc. board members, officers, and employees in the performance of their official duties.

#### **STANDARDS**

The following standards of conduct are enumerated in Chapter 112, Fla. Stat., and are required by Section 112.3251, Fla. Stat., to be observed by CSO board members, officers, and employees.

#### 1. Prohibition of Solicitation or Acceptance of Gifts

No CSO board member, officer, or employee shall solicit or accept anything of value to the recipient, including a gift, loan, reward, promise of future employment, favor, or service, based upon any understanding that the vote, official action, or judgment of the CSO board member, officer, or employee would be influenced thereby.

#### 2. Prohibition of Accepting Compensation Given to Influence a Vote

No CSO hoard member, officer, or employee shall accept any compensation, payment, or thing of value when the person knows, or, with reasonable care, should know that it was given to influence a vote nr other action in which the CSO board member, officer, or employee was expected to participate in his or her official capacity.

#### 3. Salary and Expenses

No CSO board member or officer shall be prohibited from voting on a matter affecting his or her salary, expenses, or other compensation as a CSO board member or officer, as provided by law

#### CSO Code of Ethics - June 2014

#### 4. Prohibition of Misuse of Position

A CSO board member, officer, or employee shall not corruptly use or attempt to use one's official position or any property or resource which may be within one's trust, or perform official duties, to secure a special privilege, benefit, or exemption.

#### 5. Prohibition of Misuse of Privileged Information

No CSO board member, officer, or employee shall disclose or use information not available to members of the general public and gained by reason of one's official position for one's own personal gain or benefit or for the personal gain or benefit of any other person or business entity.

#### 6. Post-Office/Employment Restrictions

A person who has been elected to any CSO board or office or who is employed by a CSO may not personally represent another person or entity for compensation before the governing body of the CSO of which he or she was a board member, officer, or employee for a period of two years after he or she vacates that office or employment position.

#### 7. Prohibition of Employees Holding Office

No person may be, at one time, both a CSO employee and a CSO board member at the same time.

#### 8. Requirements to Abstain From Voting

A CSO board member or officer shall not vote in official capacity upon any measure which would affect his or her special private gain or loss, or which he or she knows would affect the special gain or any principal by whom the board member or officer is retained. When abstaining, the CSO board member or officer, prior to the vote being taken, shall make every reasonable effort to disclose the nature of his or her interest as a public record in a memorandum filed with the person responsible for recording the minutes of the meeting; who shall incorporate the memorandum in the minutes. If it is not possible for the CSO board member or officer to file a memorandum before the vote, the memorandum must be filed with the person responsible for recording the minutes of the meeting no later than 15 days after the vote.

#### 9. Failure to Observe CSO Code of Ethics

Failure of a CSO board member, officer, or employee to observe the Code of Ethics may result in the removal of that person from their position. Further, failure of the CSO to observe the Code of Ethics may result in the Florida Department of Environmental Protection terminating its Agreement with the CSO.

Form 990-N

#### Electronic Name (e-Property)

OMB No. 1545-2085

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

for Tax-Exempt Organization not Required Tax-Exe

2019

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A For the 2019 Calendar year, or tax year beginning 2019-01-01 and ending 2019-12

B Check if available  ☐ Terminated for Business  ☑ Gross receipts are normally \$50,000 or less	C Name of Organization: FRIENDS C MANATE SPRINGS PARKS INC 11650 NW 115th St, Chiefland, FL, US, 32626
E Website:	F Name of Principal Officer: Thomas Andresen
	14950 NW 81st Ave, Fanning
	<u>Springs, FL, US, 32693</u>

Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice: We ask for the information on this form to carry out the Internal Revenue laws of United Star You are required to give us the information. We need it to ensure that you are complying with these laws.

The organization is not required to provide information requested on a form that is subject to the Paperwork Reduction Acceptable for polars a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a form or its instructions must be retained as long as their contents way become affial in administration of any Internal Revenue law. The rules governing the confidentiality of the Form 990-N is covered in code section 6104.

The time needed to complete and file this form and related schedules will vary depending on the individual circumstances. The estated averages is 15 minutes.

Note: This image is provided for your records only. Do Not mail this page to the IRS. The IRS will not accept this filing via paper. You must in your Form 990-N (e-Postcard) electronically.

### Form 990-EZ

## Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

2018

OMB No. 1545-1150

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service ▶ Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.
 ▶ Go to www.irs.gov/Form990EZ for instructions and the latest information.

, 20 A For the 2018 calendar year, or tax year beginning 2018, and ending C Name of organization B Check if applicable: D Employer identification number Address change Friends of Manatee Springs Parks, Inc. 04-3676532 Room/suite Number and street (or P.O. box, if mail is not delivered to street address) E Telephone number Name change 1 Initial return (352) 493-6072 Final return/terminated City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code F Group Exemption Amended return Number > Application pending H Check ▶ ☐ if the organization is not G Accounting Method: I Website: ▶ required to attach Schedule B J Tax-exempt status (check only one) — 

501(c)(3) 

501(c) ( ) ◀ (insert no.) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527 (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF). K Form of organization: Corporation Trust Association Other L Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total assets Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (see the instructions for Part I) Part I Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I . . . 1 2 2 3 3 1,335 4 Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses . . . . 5b Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a) . . . . Gaming and fundraising events: Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than Revenue 6a of contributions Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceeds \$15,000) . . . 6b Less: direct expenses from garning and fundraising events . . . Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract 6d Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances . . . . . . 7a 7a 11,034 8 8 9 9 12,637 10 10 Benefits paid to or for members 11 11 695 12 12 13 Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors . . . . . . . 13 14 14 15 16 16 10,828 17 11,523 18 1,114 Assets 19 Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return) 19 15,063 Net Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O) . . . . . . . . . 20 20 Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20 16,177

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33	Did the organization engage in any significant activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O	33		1
34	Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name. Otherwise, explain the change on Schedule O. See instructions	34		1
35a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities (such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)?	35a		1
c	If "Yes" to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O Was the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III	35b 35c		1
36	Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N	36		1
37a	Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions ▶ 37a			
38a	Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?	37b 38a		1
ь 39	If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved	-		
а	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9			
b	Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities			
40a	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 ▶ ; section 4912 ▶ ; section 4955 ▶			
b	Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year, or did it engage in an excess benefit transaction in a prior year that has not been reported on any of its prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	40b		1
c	Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958.			
d	Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization			
е	All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T	40e		1
41	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ▶			
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h	Located at ► 11650 NW 115th St Chiefland, FL ZIP + 4 ► At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over	32626	Yes	_
1 5	a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?	42b	100	1
	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▶	7		
	See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).			
C	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside the United States?  If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▶	42c	b	1
43	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of <b>Form 1041</b> —Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year	100	Yes	No
44a	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	44a	Tes	√ V
b	Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	44b		1
C	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?	44c		1
d	If "Yes" to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	44d		1
45a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	45a	11	1
b	Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 and Schedule R may need to be completed instead of			
	Form 990-EZ. See instructions	45b		1

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	Did the organization engage, directly or its candidates for public office? If "Yes,"							1
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Schedule A (I	Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2018 Page					
Part VI	Supplemental Information. Provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; Part III, line 12; Part IV, Section A, lines 1, 2, 3b, 3c, 4b, 4c, 5a, 6, 9a, 9b, 9c, 11a, 11b, and 11c; Part IV, Section B, lines 1 and 2; Part IV, Section C, line 1; Part IV, Section D, lines 2 and 3; Part IV, Section E, lines 1c, 2a, 2b 3a, and 3b; Part V, line 1; Part V, Section B, line 1e; Part V, Section D, lines 5, 6, and 8; and Part V, Section E, lines 2, 5, and 6. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions.)					
Line 8: Oth	er Revenue: Laundry donations from volunteers \$265, Interest Income \$3.18 = \$268.18					
Line 11: Be	nifits Paid for Members = \$695					
Line 11 Ad	ditional Details: Annual meeting food \$576.30, Annual CSO meeting room Charge for President to attend \$119.00					
Line 16: Pa	rk support and fees = \$10842.65					
Line 16 Add	dition Details: MSSP - FSSP - NCST Event sponsorships \$987.44, MSSP Golf cart parts \$348.04, MSSP Dock Repair \$9.80,					
MSSP Amn	no purchased for exotic control \$26.06, MSSP/FSSP Wheelchair repair parts \$93.93, MSSP Manatee Express canopy parts \$6,					
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MSSP Used	d electric golf cart \$1500, FSSP Fence project \$1981.51, Checkbook checks \$26.55, Evelopes and stamps \$79.49					
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