## **MINUTES**

## TOWN OF KURE BEACH TOWN COUNCIL

117 Settlers Lane • Kure Beach, NC 28449



Mac Montgomery, Mayor
Jim Dugan, Mayor Pro Tem
Dean Lambeth, Commissioner
Barry Nelder, Commissioner
Jim Vatrt, Commissioner
Michelle James, Town Administrator • Kaysie Pralle, Town Clerk

PUBLIC HEARING FEBRUARY 2, 2009 6:00 P.M.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

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Mayor

Mac Montgomery

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Mayor Pro Tem

Jim Dugan

Commissioner Commissioner Dean Lambeth Barry Nelder

Commissioner

Jim Vatrt

STAFF PRESENT:

Town Administrator

Michelle James

**Building Inspector** 

John Batson

BOA and P&Z Clerk

Aimee Zimmerman

Town Attorney A. A. Canoutas was in attendance. There was a quorum of the Town Council present.

The Kure Beach Town Council held a Public Hearing on Monday, February 2, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. for the purpose of discussion of proposed modifications to Section 19 regarding the size of decks and free standing decks in beach renourishment easement areas.

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Montgomery called the Public Hearing to order at 6:18 p.m.

John Batson addressed Council.

- This issue was brought about by construction of new building a few months ago.
- Not only does CAMA have specific regulations but there are also regulations pertaining to beach renourishment easements.
- In 1995 and 1996, easements were acquired so that Kure Beach could be part of the beach renourishment program.
- In the Seawatch subdivision, these easements were pushed closer to the road thereby not allowing these homeowners to add decks to their structures.
- The purpose of this proposed ordinance will give these homeowners leeway to allow decks to encroach 15 feet into the easements.
- The proposed ordinance was read including the addition by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

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• The addition by the Corps added that removal of these decks shall be at the discretion of the Corps for beach renourishment purposes.

Mayor Montgomery stated that this item will be addressed at the Town Council meeting as Item No. 4.

Joyce Barnwell of Intracoastal Realty addressed council.

She questioned how cantilevering will be affected. Mr. Batson responded that
the proposed ordinance states decks, cantilevered or not, can only encroach the
easement by 15 feet.

Commissioner Lambeth stated that decks would need to be completed in sections so that they are removable as they cannot be permanent fixtures.

Building Inspector Batson clarified that the CAMA guidelines do require that anything placed in the setbacks shall be temporary in nature.

Jerry Pilcher stated that decks would have to be bolted together.

Building Inspector Batson further clarified that even the beach crossovers are constructed in this fashion so that they can be removed easily.

Commissioner Vatrt asked how the 250 square feet came to be. Building Inspector Batson stated that typical decks are  $10' \times 25'$  and that the 250 square foot limit was a staff recommendation.

Building Inspector Batson stated that there is a difference between the perpetual easement line and the CAMA line. As the ordinance reads now, nothing is permitted in the perpetual easement. This will give these homeowners some relief from the restrictions.

## ADJOURNMENT

ACTION - COMMISSIONER DUGAN MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE PUBLIC HEARING AT 6:28 P.M. COMMISSIONER NELDER SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mac Montgomery, Mayor

Aimee Zimmerman for Kaysie Pralle, Town Clerk 1947 1947 AVORTH CARRENT

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