



# TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

## EMERGENCY MEETING

SEPTEMBER 2 - 7, 2019

The Kure Beach Town Council held an emergency meeting on Monday, September 2 at 6:30 pm. The Town Attorney was present and there was a quorum of Council members present.

### COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Craig Bloszinsky  
Mayor Pro Tem (MPT) David Heglar  
Commissioner Joseph Whitley  
Commissioner Allen Oliver

### COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT

Commissioner John Ellen

### STAFF PRESENT

Town Clerk – Nancy Avery  
Building Inspector – John Batson  
Fire Chief – Ed Kennedy  
Finance Officer – Arlen Copenhaver  
Deputy Town Clerk – Mandy Sanders

Mayor Bloszinsky called the emergency meeting to order stating the purpose was to discuss plans and management of the impending storm/hurricane Dorian. Notice was posted at Town Hall on Monday, September 2, 2019 at 12:30 pm and notification provided to the Sunshine List, thus meeting Public Meetings laws.

### DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION

Mayor Pro Tem Heglar reviewed the following actions by New Hanover County and the Town of Kure Beach:

- Brief update from the 5:00 pm update from the National Hurricane Center
- Town takes action from only the National Hurricane Center
- Predication right now is a category 2 to 3 hurricane
- Currently shows the storm will hit 25 miles off of the Cape Fear
- Dare County has declared an mandatory evacuation for visitors starting Tuesday, September 3rd at 12 pm and for residents starting on Wednesday, September 4th at 6:00 am
- New Hanover County will be closed starting Tuesday, September 3rd
- County's intention is to declare State of Emergency effective September 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5 pm
- The Kure Beach Operation Plan adopted earlier this year states, based on a category 2 hurricane a mandatory evacuation is required
- Curfew impact once the storm is here would be a curfew until electricity is restored
- Expect significant debris
- Shelter employee personnel at Police and Fire Station
- Please visit the website to receive the latest update and sign up to receive text messages and email from the Town
- His recommendation is to declare a State of Emergency and set a time



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- Recommends Town offices being closed starting tomorrow
- Public Works Department picked up trash today and will pick up again tomorrow till noon
- Spoke with the County and Carolina Beach officials and will meet with them again tomorrow at 9:30 am
- All Department Heads have checked in this morning and the departments are prepared for the storm
- Department Heads meeting will be held Tuesday morning at 11:00 am

MOTION – Commissioner Oliver made the motion to declare the State of Emergency effective at 2:00 pm on Tuesday, September 3, 2019

SECOND – Commissioner Whitley

VOTE – Unanimous

MOTION- Commissioner Whitley made a motion to close Town Hall till after the storm

SECOND- Commissioner Oliver

VOTE- Unanimous

MOTION – MPT Heglar made a motion at 6:49 pm to continue this meeting to 1:00 pm Tuesday, September 3, 2019

SECOND – Commissioner Whitley

VOTE – Unanimous

## **CONTINUED MEETING TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2019 AT 1:00 PM**

### COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Craig Bloszinsky  
Mayor Pro Tem (MPT) David Heglar  
Commissioner Joseph Whitley  
Commissioner Allen Oliver

### COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT

Commissioner John Ellen

### STAFF PRESENT

Building Inspector – John Batson  
Finance Officer – Arlen Copenhaver  
Police Chief – Mike Bowden  
Deputy Town Clerk – Mandy Sanders

Mayor Bloszinsky called the continued emergency meeting to order at 1:00 pm.



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MOTION- Commissioner Whitley made a motion to excuse Commissioner John Ellen from the meeting

SECOND- MPT Heglar

VOTE- Unanimous

Emergency Manager Heglar stated:

- New Hanover County released a press release in advance of the Governor's release directing a mandatory evacuation of all barrier islands
- Recommends Town Council to finish the Declaration of the State of Emergency
- Unless the track changes water will not be isolated on the first row of homes
- Wind will be the issue in Kure Beach and power outages
- Emergency services will not respond during the high winds so residents who decide to stay need to be prepared to handle emergency situations by themselves
- Spoke with Carolina Beach officials and the bridge will not be closed until the wind speed is 45 mph
- The bridge is a state owned road and NC Highway Patrol controls the bridge

Council reviewed the Declaration of State of Emergency with the following points:

- Mandatory evacuation effective 8:00 am Wednesday, September 4, 2019 to be completed by 8:00 pm on Wednesday, September 4, 2019
- Curfew is expected to be enacted as required and will be communicated with at least twelve hours' notice
- No Sale of Alcoholic Beverages expected to be enacted as required and will be communicated with at least 12 hours' notice
- Shelters to be provided by county
- Town offices serving the public will close at 9:00 am on Tuesday, September 3, 2019 until the State of Emergency is lifted
- Town emergency essential personnel to remain on duty and available during the duration of the State of Emergency
- Execution of Town of Kure Beach Emergency Operations Plan is effective immediately with all persons, businesses and emergency management personnel within the Town limits ordered to comply with the plan
- All Kure Beach officials are to cooperate in the implementation of the provisions of this Declaration

MOTION- Emergency Manager Heglar made a motion to approve as presented the Declaration of State of Emergency

SECOND-Commissioner Whitley

VOTE-Unanimous



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MOTION – Commissioner Oliver made the motion to continue the emergency meeting to Wednesday, September 4, 2019 at 1:00 pm

SECOND – Emergency Manager Heglar

VOTE - Unanimous

## CONTINUED MEETING WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2019 AT 1:00 PM

### COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Craig Bloszinsky

Mayor Pro Tem (MPT) David Heglar

Commissioner Joseph Whitley

Commissioner Allen Oliver

### COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT

Commissioner John Ellen

### STAFF PRESENT

Deputy Town Clerk – Mandy Sanders

Mayor Bloszinsky called the continued emergency meeting to order at 1:00 pm.

MOTION- Emergency Manager Heglar made a motion to excuse Commissioner John Ellen from the meeting

SECOND- Commissioner Whitley

VOTE- Unanimous

MOTION- Emergency Manager Heglar made a motion to continue the emergency meeting to Saturday, September 7, 2019 at 2:00 pm

SECOND- Commissioner Oliver

VOTE- Unanimous

## CONTINUED EMERGENCY MEETING SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 AT 2 PM

### COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Craig Bloszinsky

Mayor Pro Tem (MPT) David Heglar

Commissioner Joseph Whitley

Commissioner Allen Oliver

Commissioner John Ellen

### COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT

None

### STAFF PRESENT

Deputy Town Clerk – Mandy Sanders

Mayor Bloszinsky called the continued emergency meeting to order at 2:00 pm.



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MOTION- Emergency Manager Heglar made a motion to suspend the State of Emergency on Friday, September 6, 2019 at 5:00pm

SECOND- Commissioner Whitley

VOTE- Unanimous

MOTION- Commissioner Whitley made a motion to close the emergency meeting at 2:01 pm

SECOND- MPT Heglar

VOTE-Unanimous

ATTEST:   
Beth Chase, Administrative Assistant

  
Craig Bloszinsky, Mayor

NOTE: These are action minutes reflecting items considered and actions taken by Council. These minutes are not a transcript of the meeting. A recording of the meeting is available on the town's website under government>council.



This is official notice that the Mayor has called an emergency meeting of the Kure Beach Town Council for 6:30 pm, or soon thereafter, today, September 2, 2019 for the purpose of discussing plans and management of the impending storm/hurricane Dorian. Notice of this meeting was posted at Town Hall at 12:30 pm, thus meeting the six hour state law requirement. The meeting will be held at Town Hall.



## TOWN OF KURE BEACH

### DECLARATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY

**WHEREAS**, North Carolina Governor Cooper and the Governing Body of New Hanover County have both determined that a State of Emergency, as defined in General Statute 14-288 and a state of Threatened Disaster as defined in General Statute 166A-4 exists, due to the approach and proximity of Hurricane Dorian; and

**WHEREAS**, the current forecast condition for Hurricane Dorian will impact Kure Beach with significant rain, gusting high winds, strong storm surge and flooding;


**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Kure Beach Town Council does hereby declare a State of Emergency and Threatened Disaster in the Town of Kure Beach and orders the following:

- Mandatory evacuation effective 8:00 am Wednesday, September 4, 2019 to be completed by 8:00 pm on Wednesday, September 4, 2019
- Curfew is expected to be enacted as required and will be communicated with at least twelve hours' notice
- No Sale of Alcoholic Beverages expected to be enacted as required and will be communicated with at least 12 hours' notice
- Shelters to be provided by county
- Town offices serving the public will close at 9:00 am on Tuesday, September 3, 2019 until the State of Emergency is lifted
- Town emergency essential personnel to remain on duty and available during the duration of the State of Emergency
- Execution of Town of Kure Beach Emergency Operations Plan is effective immediately with all persons, businesses and emergency management personnel within the Town limits ordered to comply with the plan
- All Kure Beach officials are to cooperate in the implementation of the provisions of this Declaration

Declared this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September, 2019

  
Craig Bloszinsky, Mayor

ATTEST

  
Mandy Sanders, Deputy Town Clerk