

*KURE BEACH
CITIZENS BEACH PROTECTION COMMITTEE
JUNE 5, 2007*

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 PM at the Town hall with the following in attendance:

*Tom Barber, Chair
Mike Bledsoe
Dick Graham
Tony Gonsalves*

*Priscilla Smith, Secretary
Sandy Putnam
Sandy Cox
Christine Blish/Bell*

Old Business:

By motion made, seconded and carried the Agenda was approved. By motion made, seconded and carried the minutes of the March and April meetings were approved as was the notes of the discussion of May 1st.

Sandy P reported that the Turtle decals have been given to Chuck Keener.

The Dune Day planting of the sea oats has been completed. Due to the drought, most of the new plants appear to be dead or dying.

The cross-over construction permits are still an on-going item.

The Town Council has approved the ADA ordinance for vehicles on the beach. Our committee is complete on this item.

Letters to residents and property owners is continuing and Tom hopes to expand the project to include the whole community.

The 110th congressional US House of Rep bill regarding beach nourishment is still in the House sub-committee.

New Business:

The nor'east'r storm in May washed a goodly amount of the new sand out to sea. Some of the lost sand has been washed up onto the beaches. Hopefully

much more will wash up. The beach inspections report was submitted on time.

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Tom reported that it is not illegal to launch a boat from the beach. Nor is it illegal to have volleyball nets on the beach. Discussion ensued regarding the feasibility of making it illegal to park a boat overnight on the beach or to erect a semi-permanent structure.

The federal government has been failing to fund beach renourishment. The previous breakdown was the Fed. Govt paying 65%, State & County 33% and the town 2%. If this trend continues alternate methods will be required to maintain the shoreline. A new committee is being formed called NCBIMPAC. It is a management plan for the preservation of the Coast. This is a State long term plan to manage the shoreline.

An incident occurred on the beach when a dog bit a person. This event made the committee aware that the proper procedure for reporting an incident of this nature is unclear.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00PM. The next scheduled meeting will be on August 7, 2007 at 3:30 PM in the Town Hall.

Have a nice Fourth of July.

Respectfully submitted:

Priscilla Smith