

*KURE BEACH
CITIZENS BEACH PROTECTION COMMITTEE
OCTOBER 9, 2007*

The meeting was called to order at 3:35 PM at the Town Hall with the following in attendance:

Tom Barber, Chair

Mike Bledsoe

Dick Graham

Tony Gonsalves

Also attending the meeting:

John Batson, CAMA

Priscilla Smith, Secretary

Sandra Cox

Phylis Mojzis

Mac Montgomery, Council

By motion made, seconded and carried the Agenda was adopted and the minutes of the September 4th meeting were approved.

Old Business:

Cross-over construction permits: A question arose at the 9/4/07 meeting regarding the height of the walkway crossovers. John Batson addressed this problem. He advised that there is no ordinance covering how high the crossovers must be. He did explain that at the present time the rule is that the crossover must be 6 inches above the sea oats and dunes. He also noted that the town does have an easement right to remove the walkway if necessary. He suggested that the committee could request the town to create an ordinance dealing with this problem.

Congressman McIntyre's amendment HR-68 is still in committee.

Big Sweep: Tony Gonsalves did a great job handling this project. The recommendations for next year are to have a container for recycling and perhaps a type of strainer on a long pole to pick up the cigarette butts. They are plentiful and difficult to collect. There was a large amount of used fireworks.

New Business:

Control of beach issues: As more and more visitors come to Kure Beach more problems become apparent. The proper way to handle these problems is important. We do not want to offend any visitors, but we do want to

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protect our beach. The problems facing the committee are the digging of deep holes and not filling them in before leaving the beach, erecting a canopy and leaving it on the beach, leaving umbrellas behind, erecting a volley ball net and leaving it behind.

The committee will consider these problems, draw up a list, prioritize the list and submit it for discussion at the next meeting.

The committee also discussed the obtaining of a code enforcement officer for the tourist season. This will be discussed after the committee has formulated a list of protections.

Tom Barber reported that he measured the beach on Sept. 24th. He noted there was a loss of 28 feet near Ocean dunes, south of the pier and going north there were losses as well.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 PM. The next scheduled meeting will be on November 6, 2007 at 3:30 PM in the small conference room or another open office at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Priscilla Smith