

BEACH PROTECTION COMMITTEE

AUGUST 10, 2010

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

Sandy Cox, Chair

Priscilla Smith, Secretary

Andy Barnard

Tony Gonsalves

Mike Bledsow

Also present: Barry Nelder, Council Liaison

John Batson, Bldg Inspector.

By motion made, seconded and carried the minutes of the June 1st meeting was adopted.

By motion made, seconded and carried the agenda for the August 10th meeting was adopted.

John Batson reported that he had been measuring the beach at low tide. He also reported that the Davis Road access has been taken care of. The damaged life guard stand has been removed. The Davis Road access will be monitored and if a storm occurs sand could be moved to build the access up.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. Signage, The pathway from Ft. Fisher to Kure Beach needs a sign informing people that they are now in Kure Beach where dogs are not allowed on the Beach.. Sonny will take care of obtaining and placing this sign.*
- 2. Ocean Dunes. Andy reported that at the close of the season, Ocean Dunes will put bldg. numbers on the 1st floor railing of each building, ocean side.*
- 3. Kite buggy ordinance. This ordinance has been passed. No Kite buggies.*
- 4. Signage on the beach. There are three (3) life guard stands that do not have the rate of disintegration litter signs. We will discuss their replacement in the spring.*

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Big Sweep Cleanup: The Annual cleanup of New Hanover County's waterways is scheduled for September 25th at 9am. Phyllis will check with Jennifer O'Keefe, who heads this project, for what will be provided for the cleanup. They advise participants to wear sturdy shoes, clothes that can get dirty, and sunscreen. Bags and gloves will be provided. Mike will order 2 dozen donuts from Britts and will pick them up for the committee. Sandy will see that there is water and snacks. Tony and Mike will handle the tables and chairs. Tony will hang a banner at the pier about the event. The committee will meet at the Kure Beach Pier at 8:30am. Volunteers will be advised that the cleanup*

starts at 9am. Phyllis will assign areas for the volunteers to clean. We will try to contact boy scouts and church groups to see if they are interested in doing community service.

- 2. Beach Issue: There were 12 beach violation tickets issued. 5 for dogs on the beach, 4 for open containers and some for surfing too close to the pier. Fines for dogs on the beach are \$150.00. It was agreed that the committee should meet with Harold in October to find out the procedures the life guards follow. Having this knowledge will enable the committee to better assess ways to make the beach as safe as possible and make recommendations to council.*
- 3. September meeting. Sandy will be unable to attend the September meeting.*

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 PM. The next scheduled meeting will be September 7th at 3:30 PM at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Priscilla Smith