

KURE BEACH BEACH PROTECTION COMMITTEE

February 1, 2011

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

Sandy Cox, Chair

Tony Gonsalves , Phyllis Mojzis

Andy Barnard, Mike Bledsoe

Also present: Barry Nelder, Counsel Liaison, Chuck Keener, Council

By motion made, seconded and carried the minutes of the January meeting were adopted.

By motion made, seconded and carried the agenda for the February meeting was adopted.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Mike reported that the beach Vitex removal was progressing. All plants that were sprayed are dying and he will monitor the plants as the weather warms up to see they are removed properly. Sandy will contact Melanie Doyle at the aquarium and ask her to attend our March meeting so she can re-educate us regarding the plant and also so we can ask her questions.
2. The committee discussed the pros and cons of the 'butt' scoopers for the beach. Sandy explained how the one she purchased worked and the committee decided Tony will try to adapt the scoop using a cat litter scoop. Andy will contact Wrightsville Beach to see what they use there.
3. Carolina Beach does NOT have a committee similar to ours. The areas we cover are covered by different departments in Carolina Beach. Ergo our sea oats operation will continue as in the past and Sandy will contact Sonny to see if we can get ours through public works at a reduced rate or free. We will continue to plant where plants are needed.
4. Advertising on the life guard chairs was defeated by council as advised by the town Attorney.
5. The "adopt the beach" discussion was tabled. The committee decided to spend more time educating the public.

NEW BUSINESS :

The committee decided on the following as goals for 2011:

1. Review the beach for sea oats, vitex etc.
2. Educate the public regarding beach vitex
3. Request Police enforcement on the beach
4. Secure additional lifeguard chair south of the pier
5. Purchase A frame for area around new chair
6. Assess all signs and replace those that need to be replaced
7. Work with realtors/ make new packet for beach visitors and new residents
8. Add items to website, newspapers, public tv channel,etc
9. Update and order beach magnets if needed.
10. Organize beach sweep

Sandy will also check with Sonny regarding rip signs and remind him to
Change the nuts and bolts on the litter signs to prevent rusting.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00PM. The next scheduled meeting will be March 8, 2011
at 3:30 PM at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Phyllis Mojzis