

KURE BEACH

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

AUGUST 9, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM. After a roll call it was determined that the committee lacked sufficient members to create a forum. The was decided to hold a discussion group. The following members were present for the discussion group. Ken Withrow, Chair, Candace Clark, Co-Chair, Priscilla Smith, Secretary, Herb Weibe. Also present was Chuck Keener the committee's council liaison. Mitch Klein, a candidate for the committee was also present, by invitation.

The Committee welcomed Mitch, and Mitch related why he would like to be a member of the Beautification Committee. We would like to see Mitch seated as a member at the September meeting.

Ken handed out copies of the plan of K Ave, where the orange cones now exist, with trees, etc. The plan looks like it would greatly enhance the area. Chuck related that he has spoken with the DOT representative about what types of trees would be allowed, their height and what other conditions need to be met. He will present Ken's plan to DOT and see if it meets their criteria.

The committee discussed the difficulties regarding the signage in the town. Beautification has been working on standardizing the town signage for a long time. New signs keep popping up, with no notice to the Committee, as requested. Hopefully the Committee will be advised of any new signs prior to their placement.

The Atlantic Avenue project is completed and the plantings are lovely. There is also a need for signs on the walkway stating No Bicycles, No Skate Boards, and stating whatever else is restricted.

The Tree City project has been on hold, but an application for the town has arrived and Herb will review it along with John Batson and Tim Fuller.

Mitch advised the committee that he is taking a seminar at the Arboretum for Master Gardeners. Ken will ask Sonny if he would send the person designated to maintain the town's planted areas to the Arboretum for the seminar.

Candace noted that when Sonny had the fence around the corral painted it did not look like a beach area. We would like it to look more beachy.

The next Beautification Committee Meeting will be on Sept. 13th at the Town Hall at 4:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Priscilla Smith

