Meeting Minutes

New Hanover County Tourism Development Authority Kure Beach Marketing Advisory Committee Meeting Tuesday, August 26, 2014

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Town Hall

117 Settlers Lane, Kure Beach, NC

- Call Meeting to Order-Committee Chair Nalepa called meeting to order at 11:35

 a.m. In attendance were Christine Avery, Anne Brodsky, Jim Gabriel, Sam Khatib,
 Robin Nalepa and Kure Beach Town Council Liaison Emilie Swearingen. CVB:
 Shawn Braden and Ashley Murphy; Dickens Sanchez and Scott Scaggs from Clean
 Design.
- II. Approve Meeting Minutes: Minutes from May 27, 2014 and June 24, 2014 were unanimously approved.
- III. New Business:
- IV. Room Occupancy Tax Collections

	June	FY	CY
Kure Beach	.96%	9.93%	10.49%
New Hanover County	8.42%	6.95%	+9.59%

- V. Old Business
 - a. FY14-15 Advertising Creative Concepts-Clean Design representatives presented two new advertising concepts (see presentation). Committee members agreed the first concept (Wonder. Unrestrained.) was the strongest. Direction was given to employ a different view of the oceanfront park.
 - Secretary for Minutes-The town indicated it would not supply someone to take notes indicating it was a committee function. No committee members volunteered to take notes. Nalepa will continue in dual role of Chair and Secretary.
 - c. Clarification was sought from Council Liaison Emilie Swearingen on comments made by Town Council regarding future tourist/visitation capacity levels. Swearingen indicated the majority of Council supported the continued work of the MAC to bring tourists to Kure Beach and specifically during the shoulder seasons.
 - d. Committee discussed the awareness among Kure Beach businesses about the Fort Fisher Civil War Celebration in January.
- VI. Comments/Next Meeting Date Next meeting is October 28, 2014.
 - 1. The Aquarium's Butterfly Bungalow remains open only through September.
 - 2. The CVB's Industry Partners Marketing presentation is Sept. 17 at 9 a.m. at the New Hanover County Government Center.
- VII. Adjournment-meeting adjourned at 12:12 p.m.