

KURE BEACH PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES  
MAY 13, 2014  
KURE BEACH TOWN HALL

ATTENDEES: Joan Van Ham - Chair, Terri Chabot, Tony Gonzalves, Sara Smith, Michael Jones, Dean Lambeth - Mayor, Nancy Avery - Town Clerk, Bob Fitzsimons & Nikki Keely - Recreation Coordinators.

Absent: Beth Yaccarino

Meeting called to order by Joan Van Ham at 6:05 pm.

Sara asked for clarification on how to get new business items added to the agenda. Joan reiterated based on last month's minutes, that new agenda items should be submitted to her the Thursday prior to the next meeting. Sara also asked if the agenda can be distributed to members in advance of the meeting for review. Joan asked Nancy if this was common practice. Tony said it was and that his committee members get agendas well in advance of meetings.

A motion was made to approve last month's minutes. The motion was seconded and the minutes were approved.

Joan asked the committee if it was still interested in doing a Fall Festival (a small festival to replace the Street Festival) which was discussed at the prior meeting. The committee unanimously agreed to not hold such a festival this year. Joan stated that we do already have Island Day scheduled in conjunction with Carolina Beach and the Seafood and Jazz Festival in the Fall. Concerns were raised that rain dates for Boogie in the Park may conflict with Island Day.

Sara brought up the Dragon Boat Races, and asked if we could coordinate with Carolina Beach to solicit teams from Kure Beach for the races. The committee agreed that it was too late for this year as the Friday night races would conflict with the Ocean Front Park Friday Variety Event (Dixie Land Jazz Band). Sara agreed to look into a joint involvement in the Dragon Boat Races for 2015.

The Thanksgiving covered dish event agenda item was opened for discussion. The committee was unanimously in favor of holding such event where residents would sign up to bring a covered dish, bread or dessert item, and the town would supply baked chicken and stuffing / dressing (supplied by A&G). It was discussed that if interest exceeded the community center's maximum allowance of a 100 people, a second date could be set. November 17<sup>th</sup> and November 19<sup>th</sup> were the dates discussed. Sara thought the day before Thanksgiving would be better, but Mike and Joan stated that many folks are either traveling or do preparations for their own Thanksgiving meals on that day. Sara also asked if

the event could cater to those who have no where to go on Thanksgiving, and Dean said the local churches do such events, and that the covered dish gathering was meant to bring the community residents together.

Joan asked Bob if he was prepared to discuss Field Day, and he asked that the topic be tabled until the next meeting. Bob did discuss equipment sign outs for Joe Eakes park stating that sign-outs are available on Saturdays from 9:00 am until 12:00 pm beginning the first week in June through August with Bob manning the booth. Equipment such as bocci balls, tennis equipment, Frisbee golf discs, etc. can be signed out by leaving a driver's license number and contact information. Tony had concerns that the sign out hours were too few for folks who may want to use the equipment longer if they were visiting longer. Bob agreed to look into an alternate plan. It was agreed that sign out information for equipment will be added to the OFP message board and town website.

It was agreed that announcements should be made at Boogie in the Park about the message board and local restaurants saying that attendees can call ahead for take out food to eat during the show. Beach House Burgers and Sam's Quik Mart had discussed printing menus to hand out at OFP events but have not done so. Mike agreed to remind the establishments about printing menus for distribution at events, and agreed to post OFP schedules at local restaurants.

Sara asked the committee what expectations there were in regard to committee members and OFP activities, and if members were expected to attend. Dean said that members were all expected to show up at events even for a short while. It was also mentioned that if the committee has now decided to vote on all bands for next year, that it is crucial that all members hear the bands in order to make informed decisions for which bands get invited back next year. Sara was informed by Nikki that the town has a staff person to open the rest rooms 30 minutes prior to events and man the table at which T-shirts are sold.

Joan showed samples of the new Boogie in the Park t-shirts and tank tops. It was agreed that all would be sold at \$15.00 / each, and that each committee member could each purchase one item at cost: Men T \$7.75, Tank \$9.50 and Woman's T \$10.50. There was discussion about better options to display the T-shirts, but no solutions were found.

The large banner for OFP was discussed. Nikki mentioned that it cannot go up until the end of June due to private functions at the park. Tony brought up the ability to modify last year's banner rather than purchasing a new one. It was decided that due to Friday Variety events not being on last year's banner that a new banner was needed in order to properly market all events to the fullest extent.

Joan made a motion to vote Richard Van Ham in as an alternate on the committee. The motion was seconded and was unanimously approved.

Tony agreed to contact Beth Yaccarino (former alternate) and ask her to formally submit her resignation letter to the Town.

The agenda item of beer, bingo and pizza night was discussed. The suggestion was raised to do such nights at the Good Hops establishment opening soon. Joan mentioned she had visited Good Hops, and they are allowing take out food to be brought into their establishment. A bingo night and beer tasting with pizza being brought in could be a good fit. Nikki informed the committee that cash prizes for bingo would not be allowed. Terri suggested giving away Boogie in the Park t-shirts as prizes. Paula was delegated to follow-up on this idea.

The agenda items were covered and the floor was left to open discussion.

Tony stated that although he realized that the Boogie in the Park T-shirts had to be ordered without committee approval due to late timing and meeting postponements, that Joan should have emailed all of the committee members to let them know that they were ordered.

Tony nominated Mike as the new Vice Chair due to the resignation of Debra Gonzalves. The motion was seconded and approved. Joan reminded the committee that there will be new elections held again in July.

Sara discussed story time at OFP, and made the suggestion to have a friend and children's author do a story time in July or August with her new book being published in June. Further discussion will continue directly with Nikki / Town Hall on this topic.

Mike reminded the committee about the Frisbee Golf Tournament taking place on June 7<sup>th</sup>.

Tony show the committee mock-ups of the signs advertising OFP events that will be posted on the K Median. They will be voted on at the next Town Council meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Terri L. Chabot  
(acting Secretary due to Liz Houston's absence)