

**Kure Beach Parks and Recreation Advisory Board**  
**March 8, 2016**

Board Members Attending: Paula Withrow, Ken Withrow, Mike Jones, and Sara Smith  
Others Attending: Nikki Keely; Patti Rose, and Greg Wrubluski

Chairman Withrow called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

1. Approval of February 9, 2016 minutes: Not available. Ken will get them from Mandy; she took them at the February meeting.

Introductions were made by Patti Rose and Greg Wrubluski. They are potential new Board members.

2. Old Business:

- A. OFP Programs: Nikki distributed a list of all OFP programs for 2016 that had been scheduled to date. She will revise the document as additional events are scheduled. The bands are almost complete. Nikki is waiting on the name of the band for the Street Festival before she completes the schedule. The Street Festival is Saturday, April 30, 11 am to 5 pm at and around Ocean Front Park.

3. New Business:

- A. Trips: Paula reported that the spring trip is scheduled for Tuesday, April 26, 8 am to 6 pm. The group will be going to the Ava Gardner Museum in Smithfield, NC. Lunch will be at a Holt's Lake restaurant and then shopping at the outlets on Rte 95. The cost is \$35.00/person.

- B. Classes and the Community Center:

Ken said there are three students in his art class. He will run the class again in Late April.

Nikki said that there will be a Community Center open house on April 30, 1pm to 3 pm. This is in conjunction with the Street Festival.

- C. Disk Golf:

Mike reported that there is a major disk golf event on June 30 and another one in November. He needs new sponsor signs at the different holes. Nikki will get the signs done once Mike has confirmed the sponsors. Mike is teaching a disk golf class at Care Gear Community College on March 21.

- D. Officers for 2016: on hold until after Town Council has approved our new Board member recommendations.

- E. Budget: Nikki reviewed the line items, minus some of the standard items like insurance, in the proposed Parks and Recreation Budget. She discussed current spending in comparison with the FY 17 fiscal request.

Paula made a proposal to hold a First Responders Appreciation event to thank the police and fire staff for all they do for the Kure Beach residents. We discussed making this a part of the Community Center's annual barbeque in August 2016. Ken will discuss this with Robin Sack.

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board is requesting that \$1100 be added to the FY 17 budget request for meals for the first responders and their families (\$9 X 100 family members=\$900 and \$200 for very nice wall plaques for the Police Department and for the Fire Department).

If this does not work, then possibly the Police and Fire Departments could be recognized at National Night Out on August 2, 2016. This is an national community-building campaign that promotes police and community.

For FY 18, we are going to do a Volleyball Feasibility study to see if there interest in and a potential location for a volleyball court. Interested board members need to volunteer to be on this subcommittee.

- F. The Board discussed the applications for Greg Wrubluski and Patti Rose to become members of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. There are three vacancies: one as a regular Board member and two as alternate positions. Paula volunteered to step down as a regular Board member to become the alternate so that both Greg and Patti could fill the “two” vacancies on the Board.

Sara moved to accept Paula as the alternate member of the Board and Patti and Greg as new members of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. Mike seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0.

Once Town Council has approved the new members and the alternative member at their March meeting, the membership becomes official.

#### 4. Member Comments:

Visioning Day will be held on Sunday, April 10 from 1 pm-4pm at the Community Center. Please attend and encourage friends and neighbors to attend.

The 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Kure Beach is in 2017. Paula chaired this committee for the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary; she shared many of the ideas that she implemented for that event. Estimated expenses for this event need to be included in the budget proposal. Points discussed:

- It needs to be part of the Street Festival
- Ideas can evolve from a committee that will need to be formed.
- There is currently a request for \$8000 for the Street Festival; an additional \$8000 needs to be added: \$4000 for fireworks and \$4000 for other items such as entertainers, demonstrations, decorations, etc.

The Pleasure Island Sea Turtle Project Orientation is April 12, 6 pm, at the Minnie Evans Theatre at Ashley High School. Interested volunteers need to attend this orientation.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:25 pm. The next meeting is Tuesday, April 12 at 4:00 pm.

Submitted by,

*Sara Smith*

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