

*KURE BEACH  
SHORELINE ACCESS. BEACH PROTECTION  
AND PARKING COMMITTEE  
Jan.3, 2017*

*The meeting was called to order at 4:00PM at the Town Hall with the following in attendance:*

*Dennis Panicali, Chair  
Mike Bledsoe  
Patricia Edgecomb  
Randy Bock*

There were not enough members present at the November meeting to form a quorum and therefore an official meeting was not held but those members present did meet with Councilman Whitley and Mayor Swearingen to discuss the reasons for the recent resignations of several committee members.

No meeting was held in December.

The committee will rotate responsibility for minutes until we have a volunteer to be secretary.

No Persons were present to address the committee.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Adopt a Beach: The committee will continue to support the program. Pat Edgecomb will serve as the temporary liaison with former committee members and town staff until the committee has a permanent volunteer(s)
2. Sea Oats: Mike Bledsoe discussed how he and the past chairman had traveled the beach in the fire department's "gator" ATV to assess areas in need of replanting, take notes and diagram areas to be addressed. Source of sea oat funds were discussed and Dennis Panicali will check with John Bateson as to who has the budget for the sea oats. Dennis will also check on access to the "gator" to do an assessment of areas in need of planting this spring. Mike will check on the availability and 2017 cost of sea oats for the possible spring planting.
3. Dennis and Randy Bock will continue the review of beach signage and develop a proposal and budget estimate for replacing individual signs with a single multi-purpose sign similar to those in Carolina Beach. The proposal and budget will be submitted to the Town Council in time for inclusion in the town budget for the next fiscal year.
4. The committee will consider organizing a spring beach sweep depending on the need and success of the Adopt a Beach program.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. A committee application was received from Pat Triplett and review by the committee. Pat will be invited to the next committee meeting for the formal interview.
2. The committee discussed street and offsite parking as a responsibility of the committee given the committees other responsibilities. In light of the recent discussions and review of street parking and the debate over paid versus unpaid parking in the Town the committee voted unanimously to ask the Town Council to amend the committee's mission statement to exclude parking from our mission other than as related to beach access. Dennis will revise the mission statement and submit it to the Town Council per Nancy Avery's recommendation.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45PM. The next scheduled meeting is Feb.7<sup>th</sup> at 4:00PM at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Panicali