



TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

Monday, September 19, 2022 @ 6:00 p.m.

The Kure Beach Town Council held its regular meeting on Monday, September 19, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. The Town Attorney was present and there was a quorum of Council members present.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Craig Bloszinsky
MPT Allen Oliver
Commissioner John Ellen
Commissioner David Heglar (Via Conference Call)
Commissioner Dennis Panicali

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT

STAFF PRESENT

Police Chief – Mike Bowden
Fire Chief – Ed Kennedy
Recreation Director – Nikki Keely
Building Inspector – John Batson
Town Clerk – Mandy Sanders
Deputy Town Clerk – Beth Chase
Public Works Director – Jimmy Mesimer

Mayor Bloszinsky called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and Commissioner Ellen gave the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

1. Approve the resignation of Tracy Mitchell from the Bike/Ped Committee
2. Appoint Tim Markley as a full member of the Marketing Advisory Committee
3. Approve the Sponsorship in the amount of \$1,500 for the NCBIWA Fall Meeting and for MPT Oliver and Commissioner Ellen to attend in Wilmington on November 3-4, 2022
4. Minutes:
 - August 15, 2022 Regular
 - August 15, 2022 Legislative Hearing

MOTION- MPT Oliver made a motion to amend the agenda to move Item 3 on the Consent Agenda “Approval of the Sponsorship in the amount of \$1,500 for the NCBIWA Fall Meeting and for MPT Oliver and Commissioner Ellen to attend in Wilmington on November 3-4, 2022” to New Business and approve the agenda as presented

SECOND- Commissioner Ellen

VOTE- Unanimous



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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION- MPT Oliver made a motion to amend the agenda to add a closed session per (GS 143-318.11(a)(3)) for Attorney Client Privilege and approve the agenda as amended

SECOND- Commissioner Panicali

VOTE- Unanimous

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jennifer Ames stated:

- Tonight, she wanted to make a summarization
- She went through the audio and minutes from the past 3 Town Council meetings and 21 residents signed up to speak during the public comment section
- Out of the 21 times, 1 spoke on busking and the other 20 spoke about the boardwalk
- Not one resident stated that they wanted a ground level concrete multiuse path
- 17 letters were read into the record during these meetings and not one person requested the ground level multiuse path
- These are the residents who took the initiative to speak publicly and this doesn't seem to be something the Town wants

Chet Ciner resident at 545 4th Avenue stated:

- He would like to speak tonight regarding the Dogs on the Beach Ordinance that was just passed
- He was informed later than he should have been and did not see the notifications from the Town
- Now that the ordinance has been passed it is important to take responsibility of the implantation of it
- He is worried there will be dogs off leash on the beach and he has noticed how busy the beach is past 5:00 p.m.
- He wishes he could have spoken before the ordinance was passed but he heard there is a recommendation to have a beach ranger and he just wants to share his support of this idea
- He also fully supports not having a concrete boardwalk

PRESENTATIONS

None.



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DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Bike/Ped Committee

Member Cindy Maier stated:

- The Bike/Ped Committee has met monthly and had several citizens come to the last meeting and brought valuable input
- Thank you to those citizens who came to the meeting and gave input and shared their concerns with the Committee
- The Spot Lane connector pavement has been completed and the Committee now wants to install signage in the amount of \$374.50
- The other item is the proposed map for the Island Greenway system and added Kure Beach to the bottom of the map
- The Committee has worked with Carolina Beach to use the same mapping that Carolina Beach has, and they have updated their map to identify the Spot Lane Connector is now paved
- The Committee is not asking for printing funds at this time but would like to present this map to the Marketing Committee for advertisement
- The Committee has a vacancy and is accepting applications

Finance Officer Copenhaver commented the funds for the signage at the Spot Lane Connector will just come out of this current budget year.

Shoreline Access and Beach Protection Committee

Commissioner Panicali commented the Committee is looking at all the beach ordinances and will be making a recommendation at the next meeting.

DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF DEPARTMENT HEAD BUSINESS

1. Building Inspections Department

Building Inspector Batson commented:

- Several months ago, he may you aware of pending CAMA changes and as of August 1st the changes have gone into effect
- There is no longer a development line and the Town has now reverted back to the line that was used prior to 2017
- In the new rules there is a new system called the Beach Management Plan the Town can apply for through the CRC
- He thinks it will be in the best interest of the Town to apply for this plan and will help create a larger footprint for citizens



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- Met with Town Council members separately and requesting from Town Council tonight to get approval to apply for the Beach Management Plan
MPT Oliver asked is this a plan that is already in place?

Building Inspector Batson commented there are certain parameters and the Town automatically fits into a lot because the Town has a large-scale beach nourishment project already. He just needs to gather the documentation and submit.

Commissioner Heglar commented he agrees with Building Inspector Batson.

MOTION- Commissioner Panicali made a motion to authorize Building Inspector Batson to apply for the Beach Management Plan through the CRC

SECOND- MPT Oliver

VOTE- Unanimous

2. Public Works Department

Public Works Director Mesimer stated:

- Contractors are cleaning out the ditches on 5th Avenue and moving throughout Town
- The water tower contractor who will be doing the exterior painting will be done hopefully in the next few weeks
- Got the tag for the new garbage truck and will need to complete training but will be out on the streets next week
- The basketball/pickle ball court will be closed Wednesday through Friday this week for maintenance

Commissioner Heglar commented the Public Works Department is still currently hiring for two open positions and the department has been struggling to fill these positions.

3. Recreation Department

- Continued Discussion of Proposed Draft Kure Beach Film Permit Application

Recreation Director Keely commented

- Tonight, on the agenda is the continued discussion for the draft permit film discussion
- There were a few revisions made by the Town Attorney so just looking for further discussion or approval of the permit application
- Also received a request from the Summer I Turned Pretty to receive approval for the reschedule dates of Wednesday, September 27, 2022, Thursday, September 28, 2022 or Saturday, October 1, 2022



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- She received notice last week that the Christmas Show has been permanently canceled

MOTION- Commissioner Ellen made a motion to approve the Proposed Draft Kure Beach Film Permit Application as presented

SECOND- MPT Oliver

VOTE- Unanimous

CONSENSUS- Town Council approved the amendment of the Film Permit Request for Summer 1, LLC to allow filming on Wednesday, September 27, 2022, Thursday, September 28, 2022 or Saturday, October 1, 2022

DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF OLD BUSINESS

1. Update on. the Fort Fisher / K Avenue Crosswalk (CRRSSA) Grant

MPT Oliver commented the agreement for the crosswalk grant is included in the Agenda Packet from NCDOT. Staff and the Town Attorney met last week to discuss the agreement and recommending it be approved tonight so funds can be released for engineering services.

MOTION- MPT Oliver authorize Mayor Bloszinsky to execute the agreement for the Fort Fisher / K Avenue Crosswalk (CRRSSA) Grant

SECOND- Commissioner Ellen

VOTE- Unanimous

2. Proposed Text Amendments to KBC 5.08 Soliciting, Peddling, and Begging

Attorney Eldridge reviewed the revisions in the agenda packet from the text amendments that was approved last month. The parts in red are the revisions.

MOTION- Commissioner Ellen made a motion to approve the Proposed Text Amendments to KBC 5.08 Soliciting, Peddling, and Begging

SECOND- MPT Oliver

VOTE- Unanimous

3. Update on the Public Works Building

MPT Oliver commented sent out RFQs for Project Management and Design Architectural services and received one RFQ for both to have for the budget process.



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MOTION- MPT Oliver made a motion to authorize the Mayor and Staff to negotiate a contract and price for the two RFQs for Project Management and Design Architectural services

SECOND- Commissioner Ellen

VOTE- Unanimous

DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion of the Emergency Operations Plan

Commissioner Heglar stated the Department Heads need to review and bring back any recommendations to the November meeting. Town Council will then approve the plan at the December meeting. He would like citizens to have the opportunity to review the plan. He will draft a letter to send out to residents regarding receiving comments on the draft plan.

2. Discussion on Private Beach Access Points

Mayor Bloszinsky commented the Town does have an ordinance for Beach access points and there is currently no one in violation of these ordinances. But there are individuals who think the Town could do a better job in this area. He would like Planning & Zoning to review the ordinances and see what other Towns are doing and bring forth a recommendation.

CONSENSUS- Town Council agreed to have Planning & Zoning review the Ordinances regarding Private Beach Access Points

3. Reschedule the Monday, October 17, 2022 Town Council Meeting

MOTION- MPT Oliver made a motion to reschedule the Town Council meeting from October 17, 2022 meeting to Monday, October 24, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. or soon thereafter

SECOND- Commissioner Ellen

VOTE- Unanimous

4. Reschedule the Monday, November 21, 2022 Town Council Meeting

No action was taken for this item.



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5. Approve the Sponsorship in the amount of \$1,500 for the NCBIWA Fall Meeting and for MPT Oliver and Commissioner Ellen to attend in Wilmington on November 3-4, 2022

MOTION- MPT Oliver made a motion to approve the Sponsorship in the amount of \$1,000 for the NCBIWA Fall Meeting and for MPT Oliver and Commissioner Ellen to attend in Wilmington on November 3, 2022 to November 4, 2022

SECOND- Commissioner Ellen

VOTE- Unanimous

MAYOR UPDATES

Mayor Bloszinsky commented the Town has begun discussion for Sandman Park and are working with a design firm to review the requirements. Once the Town receives design elements will have citizens review.

COMMISSIONER ITEMS

CLOSED SESSION

MOTION- Commissioner Ellen made a motion to go into Closed Session per (GS 143-318.11(a)(3)) for Attorney Client Privilege at 7:18 p.m.

SECOND- Commissioner Panicali

VOTE- Unanimous

MOTION- Commissioner Ellen made a motion to return to open session 8:40 p.m.

SECOND- Commissioner Panicali

VOTE- Unanimous

MOTION- Commissioner Ellen made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 p.m.

SECOND- Commissioner Panicali

VOTE- Unanimous

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ATTEST: Mandy Sanders, Town Clerk

Handwritten signature of Craig Bloszinsky in black ink.

Craig Bloszinsky, Mayor



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