

Kure Beach Shoreline Access, Beach Protection Committee

Minutes of September 6, 2022

Members Present:

Ann Hughes, Co-Chair

Randy Bock

Kelly Priest

Pat Edgecomb, alternate – remote

Pat Triplett, Co-Chair

Rick Jackson

Don Campbell

Dennis Panicali, Council Liaison

Members Absent:

Elizabeth Kiwaha

John Kiwaha

Meeting was called to order at 5:05 pm by Ann Hughes.

Hughes asked for an approval for August 2, 2022, minutes. Rick Jackson made a motion to approve, seconded by Don Campbell, and approved by all as presented.

Hughes announced there was a guest attendance online request, Jennifer Laud, she joined at 6:00 pm.

There were no additions to the agenda presented.

Old Business:

Adopt-a-Beach Update: Ann reported no update, beaches are looking good. May partner with Island Wildlife on next “Beach Sweep” to participate in their “Keep it Clean & Make it Green” initiative, where trash is weighed, and native plants are banked for every 25 lbs of trash collected.

Beach Sponsorship Update: Rick reported that the message placement in the Kure Beach community email was moved up to third on the list to increase visibility. Unfortunately, it hasn’t generated responses yet.

Kure Beach Ocean Life: Pat Triplett reported that vests and name tags have come in. Pat and Ann gave a Turtle Talk for an hour that will count toward our training requirement. The Turtle Talk was held on 9/6 @ 4 pm at the KB Town Hall. Pat will get membership documents completed so that when training is completed, she will pass on to Beth for the town council to review.

Beach Pamphlet Update: Pat Edgecomb reported that we’re waiting to update pamphlets before reordering due to changing/updating ordinances. The committee members will review the pamphlets and ordinances this month and bring up any recommended changes next month. Pat will confirm the contact information on the pamphlet and brochures. Dennis emailed Pat a copy of the original brochure from 2018. Dennis stated that Kure beach town council will discuss hiring staff to issue civil citations to anyone violating the ordinances at the next budget meeting. Don expressed that he felt that ordinances that are not enforced should be removed. – for example, the thong ordinance. Don also expressed that the ordinance regarding what time beach equipment

should be allowed to be left unattended at the beach should be changed to an earlier hour in the morning, ie: 7:00 am – 7:00 pm. The group discussed that this ordinance should apply equally to both vendors and private citizens, assuming that the vendors license doesn't conflict. Dennis is working on verbiage for the ordinance pertaining to people digging holes in the sand.

Sign Replacements: John and Liz reviewed beach accesses 1-10, Ann reviewed access 11, Randy and Don 12-18 and Kelly 22-29 (as referenced on Inventory sheet). Randy will compile the data and submit it to the DPW who will complete the repairs and replace signs. Randy will work with Southern signs to possibly create a decal with the new ordinance updates required for the signs. Cigarette receptacles were missing from most access points. Surfriders logo is listed on these however it is unknown who ordered them, who installed them, who paid for them or what happened to the ones that were there. Pat Edgecomb will email Jimmy or Sonny to fill in the gaps so we can determine if they should be reinstalled. Kelly will email Surfrider to find out if they are still involved and how.

New Business:

Remote Participation Policy for Town Boards, Commissions, and Committees: Ann discussed some of the resolution R22-3 that states Town policy for remote participation. Specifically that the meeting minutes shall record members physically present vs those remotely; members may participate remotely no more than 3 times in a calendar year, however committee members may approve remote participation by vote thereafter; a quorum must be met only by those members present; members may vote remotely. Still in effect, no more than 3 unexcused absences allowed for members, (defined as failure to notify chair prior to missed meeting).

The meeting was adjourned at 6:05, our next meeting will be held Tuesday, October 4, 2022 @ 5:00 pm

Minutes submitted by Kelly Priest.