



TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

Monday, February 17, 2025 @ 6:00 p.m.

The Kure Beach Town Council held its regular meeting on Monday, February 17, 2025 @ 6:00 p.m. Town Attorney Jim Eldridge was present, and there was a quorum of Council members present.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

MPT David Heglar
Commissioner John Ellen
Commissioner Dennis Panicali
Commissioner Connie Mearkle

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT

Mayor Allen Oliver

STAFF PRESENT

Town Clerk – Beth Chase
Director of Administration – Mandy Sanders
Director of Development and Compliance – Bethany White
Finance Officer – Arlen Copenhaver
Fire Chief – Ed Kennedy
Recreation Director – Nikki Keely
Police Chief – Mike Bowden
Police Lieutenant – Brandon Bailey

MPT Heglar called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., and Commissioner Ellen gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOTION- Commissioner Panicali made a motion to excuse Mayor Oliver from the meeting

SECOND- Commissioner Ellen

VOTE- Unanimous

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

MOTION – Commissioner Panicali made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented

SECOND – Commissioner Ellen

VOTE – Unanimous

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA



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MOTION – Commissioner Mearkle made a motion table the item under New Business the Consideration and adoption of the Island Greenway Feasibility Study and amend as approve the agenda as presented

SECOND – Commissioner Ellen

VOTE – Unanimous

PUBLIC COMMENT

Don Seiler resident at 420 N 4th read a letter regarding the Greenway Feasibility Study that is hereby incorporated into the minutes.

Rob Johnson resident at 741 Settlers Lane read a letter regarding the Greenway Feasibility Study that is hereby incorporated into the minutes.

Cindy Maier resident at 245 Sealane Way stated:

- She is currently the chairperson of Friends of Kure Beach
- The nonprofit was formed to support the Town Council and the Recreation Department and improve and enhance Town projects
- The nonprofit currently has 50 founding members
- The Friends of Kure Beach does support the Greenway Feasibility Study
- This is only an adoption of the plan, and no money will be spent at this time once approved
- The nonprofit is thankful for the grant received from the NCDOT to pay for the Greenway Feasibility study

Bill Baum resident at 923 Coastwalk Carolina Beach stated:

- He was involved in the early stages of the Carolina Beach greenway, and was tasked with finding out about crime on the greenways
- He spent a good amount of time speaking with Cary, NC that has an extensive greenway system
- In their experience only one related crime event that happened in the parking lot but had to be included
- It may come up when speaking about the study the increase of crime and that does not exist
- He does not have the report with him but any Town is willing to share the information regarding the crime



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Wick Wickliffe resident at 417 N 4th Ave read a letter regarding Street Paving that is hereby incorporated into the minutes.

John Elliot President Kure HOA at 407 Anchor way

- He is the president of the Kure Dunes HOA and is here to speak regarding the paving contract
- The quality was not up to the recent Sandman paving
- He worries about the longevity of the paving job as the middle of the street seems to be paved thinner than the sides which could cause issues
- A lot of debris ended up down the storm drains

Barbra Erwin read a letter on behalf of residents Jim and Carolyn Guffey located at 753 Settlers Lane regarding the Greenway Feasibility Study that is hereby incorporated into the minutes.

Roy Erwin read a letter regarding the Greenway Feasibility Study that is hereby incorporated into the minutes.

Vern Herrington resident at 120 Hanby Ave stated he has lived here for the past 10 years, and he loved seeing the greenway come into Carolina Beach and uses it a lot. He is here to speak in support of the greenway study.

Michael Davenport resident at 114 Myrtlewood Court has lived here for the past 20 years and been on the board for Kure Dunes for 15 years. He is the government liaison and is here tonight for the paving issue. He has been tasked with showing the dissatisfaction with the project. The Town should express to the vender the dissatisfaction.

Dennis Daley resident at 209 Fifth Ave S stated he has lived there for 20 years and has never had flooding on his street until the past year. He understands there has been a lot of severe weather but homes have been built with higher elevation over the past few years. The water comes from S 6th and down into his driveway. The water is up to his knees around his house and has spoken to Director of Development and Compliance but has not heard back. He is unsure who to address this issue with.

MPT Heglar stated he should set up a meeting with Public Works Director Mesimer and himself.



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PRESENTATIONS

None.

DISCUSSION OF COMMITTEE BUSINESS

1. Bike/Ped Advisory Committee

- Date of Traffic Garden Carolina Beach Elementary School April 11
- Date of Tour de Island October 18
- Committee recommendation of approval of ECG Feasibility Study

Bike/Ped Member Greg Germain read a letter regarding an update on the Committee that is hereby incorporated into the minutes.

2. Board of Adjustment

Interview Edward Neyland and George Thomas for the two alternate member vacancy positions

Applicant Edward Neyland stated he lives at 801 Ketch Court for the past two years. He has done of 17,000 home inspections in his lifetime.

Questions for Edward Neyland:

- What is your understanding of being on the Board?
- Have you seen a lot of variances in your area?
- What is your view on variances in general in Kure Beach? Do you know how many have been issued in Kure Beach?

Answers from Edward Neyland:

- The responsibility is to be the go between the Town and the Public regarding a disagreement related to construction
- He has seen some variances as some citizens don't know why the codes are there for safety reasons. Sometimes the variance is due to the neighbor
- There have probably been thousands of variance over the years with some more important than others

MPT Heglar stated the Town doesn't want to do variances and has historically informed the building code.

Attorney Eldridge commented he thinks there is some confusion regarding the word variance.



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Applicant George Thomas stated 213 4th Ave South for the past 5 years. He is a retired Commercial Supervisor after a 30-year career. He is looking to use his past knowledge to help the Town.

Questions for Applicant George Thomas

- What is your understanding of being on the Board?

Answers from Applicant George Thomas

- It is important to enforce the code, and look at the impact of allowing the variance because once you allow it once all citizens can do it

MOTION- Commissioner Panicali made a motion to appoint Edward Neyland and George Thomas to the Board of Adjustment as alternate members

SECOND- Commissioner Ellen

VOTE- Unanimous

3. Historical Preservation Commission

- Consideration of and Action on Proposed Text Amendments to KBC 12.04.030.A and B Regarding HPC Term Limits
- Interview Ed Hall for HPC Vacancy

Vice Chair Barlok stated the term limit needs to be amended to 4-year terms as the Planning and Zoning currently has a 5-year term and the Historic Preservation Commission currently has a 3-year term. The Planning and Zoning Commission members are the members of the Historic Preservation Commission so need to have the same term limits.

MOTION- Commissioner Panicali made a motion to approve the Proposed Text Amendments to KBC 12.04.030.A and B Regarding HPC Term Limits

SECOND- Commissioner Ellen

VOTE- Unanimous

Applicant Ed Hall stated he lives at 506 Kure Village way since 2019 and moved from Sailsbury NC that has a Historic Society. He attends all Kure Beach Town Council and Planning and Zoning Meetings. He also attends the meeting in Carolina Beach. He loves the Character and feel of Kure Beach. Over the last month has a level of understanding of the municipal code, design standards, the downtown overlay district, the quais judicial procedure. He has been in the audience for serval of the hearing.



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MOTION- Commissioner Ellen made a motion to appoint Ed Hall to the Historic Preservation Commission

SECOND- Commissioner Panicali

VOTE- Unanimous

4. Planning & Zoning Commission

- Consideration of and Action on Proposed Text Amendments to KBC 12.04.010.A and B Regarding PZC Term Limits

MOTION- Commissioner Panicali made a motion to approve the Proposed Text Amendments to KBC 12.04.010.A and B Regarding PZC Term Limits

SECOND- Commissioner Ellen

VOTE- Unanimous

5. Marketing Committee

Commissioner Mearkle gave a Marketing presentation on the Tourism Study that is hereby incorporated into the minutes of the meeting.

DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF DEPARTMENT HEAD BUSINESS

1. Finance Department

Finance Officer Copenhagen stated tomorrow morning he will be attending a meeting at the New Hanover County Tax Department regarding the reevaluation data and will provide to Council once he receives. Also has been working through the process with FEMA for the storm. Today submitted the required documents once that is reviewed will receive any potential concerns regarding the costs.

2. Fire Department

Fire Chief Kennedy stated MOTSU will be burning he believes starting tomorrow. He will provide further update in the morning when he receives for communication to citizens.

3. Public Works Department

Public Works Mesimer stated regarding the paving he got in touch with the superintendent of the company and reviewed the work throughout Town regarding the displeasure of the work completed. No one has been paid for the work completed and it will not stay the way it currently is on the streets. It may be a good idea to seek a consultant. He will review the contract with the Town Attorney.



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4. Recreation Department

Director of Recreation Keely stated on February 8th hosted the Polar Plunge and 5k and raised \$126,000 to fully fund the activities this year.

DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF OLD BUSINESS

1. Consideration and adoption of the Island Greenway Feasibility Study

This agenda item was tabled at the beginning of the meeting to the March 17, 2025 Town Council meeting to consider and take action.

DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF NEW BUSINESS

1. Approval of Resolution supporting NCBIWA Resolution of Support for Updating the 2016 Beach and Inlet Management Plan

MOTION- Commissioner Ellen made a motion to approve Resolution supporting NCBIWA Resolution of Support for Updating the 2016 Beach and Inlet Management Plan

SECOND- Commissioner Panicali

VOTE- Unanimous

CLOSED SESSION

MOTION- Commissioner Panicali made a motion to go into two closed sessions as per N.C.G.S. §143-318.11(a)(6) for a personnel issue and go into closed session for Attorney Client Privilege per N.C.G.S. §143-318.11(a)(3)

SECOND- Commissioner

VOTE- Unanimous

MOTION- Commissioner Ellen made a motion to return to open session

SECOND- Commissioner Panicali

VOTE- Unanimous

Attorney Eldridge stated during the closed sessions no votes or actions were taken during the closed session.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION – Commissioner Ellen made a motion to adjourn the meeting at p.m.

SECOND – Commissioner Panicali


VOTE – Unanimous



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ATTEST: Beth Chase, Town Clerk



Allen Oliver, Mayor

NOTE: These are action minutes reflecting items considered and actions taken by Council. These minutes are not a transcript of the meeting. A recording of the meeting is available on the town's website under [government>agendas&minutes](#)

SIGN IN SHEET
TO ADDRESS KURE BEACH TOWN COUNCIL

MEETING TYPE & DATE Feb 17 2025

NAME	ADDRESS	TOPIC OF CONCERN
DON SEILER ✓	420 N 4th	SUPPORT FEASIBILITY STUDY ADAPTATION
ROB JOHNSON ✓	741 Settlers Lane	Funding for Bike Path
Cuddy Nixel ✓	245 SEALANE WAY	Feasibility Study
Dennis Daley ✓	209 FIFTH AVE S.	Floodings
Bill Baum ✓	923 CONST WALK CB	Greenway
WISIK WISIK ✓	417 N. 4th	PAVING
JOW ELLIOTT ✓	407 AVENUE WAY	PAVING
Barb Erwin for Jim ✓	Carolyn Guffey 753 Settlers	feasibility study
ROY ERWIN ✓	301 SETTLERS	FEASIBILITY STUDY
Vern Herrington ✓	120 Hans Ave	Feasibility Study
Michael Downport ✓	114 Myrtlewood Court	paving

Bike/Ped report to Council February 17, 2025

Honorable Mayor Oliver, Commissioners

I am pleased to submit our Bike/Ped committee report on behalf of our chairperson Mo Linquist. The Committee has few items to share this month.

Our 4th annual Traffic Garden for bicycle and pedestrian safety will be held at the Carolina Beach Elementary School on Friday April 11th

We have aligned with our partners in Carolina Beach on a date for our 2nd bicycle Tour de Island on Saturday October 18th We are working with the Recreation department on details.

The Bike/Ped Committee unanimously approved a recommendation to Council to adopt the ECG Island Greenway Feasibility Study. The adoption will allow further study into financial options outside of town budgets, consider priorities in a phased execution, and continue engaging town residents and businesses for the future of Kure Beach.

As read to Town Council 2/17/2025

Marisol M. O'Connor
Greenville Avenue, Carolina Beach, NC

Dear Kure Beach Bike Ped Committee:

My husband and I reside in Carolina Beach, our house is located at the end of Greenville Avenue, with our property line right next to the greenway. Our house was built a few years before the greenway was constructed and during that time there was very little foot traffic on our street. We were initially concerned of what changes the greenway would bring. However, we were pleasantly surprised.

Upon completion of the greenway, people of all ages began passing by, including parents and their children, teens, adults, elderly, and mothers with infants. We see people walking, running, biking, pushing a stroller, using a wheelchair, skateboarding, rollerblading. We even had a 90+ year old woman take her daily walk - - using a walker! These people all share the same objective – to be healthy and active in a safe environment. We use the greenway everyday, not only for exercise but to traverse safely to visit the park, neighbors and family.

In the four years of living next to the greenway we have not had any incidents with regard to theV, safety or privacy.

Another bonus – as per our realtor, Kristen Dunn of Blue Coast Realty, “The properties along the greenway (and even close to the greenway) have gone up in value due to the greenway. The greenway is one of the best amenities in Carolina Beach.”

Overall, I truly believe the greenway has contributed to my quality of life as well as everyone in our community on the island.

Sincerely,
Marisol M. O'Connor

Adopt the Feasibility Study

Good evening, and thank you for this opportunity to comment on the Kure Beach Trail Corridor Feasibility Study, which will ultimately augment the East Coast Greenway.

By way of introduction, my name is Don Seiler, and my wife Beth and I have been Kure Beach residence for 22 years. I was asked by numerous neighborhood friends to represent them in our support to adopt the Trail Corridor Feasibility Study.

Throughout the past 20 plus years, Kure Beach leaders have upgraded our town boardwalk, constructed swings on that boardwalk along our beaches, built a town pavilion to accommodate numerous functions and activities throughout the year, buried electric lines to mitigate annoying bird activity, constructed our relatively new fire station, and renovated Kure Beach Town hall. Continuing our journey to build the Kure Beach Trail Corridor will certainly augment our town's history of residential beautification and progress.

This feasibility study builds on recent planning efforts including the Great Trails State Plan and the Kure Beach Comprehensive Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan, which highlighted this trail project as the highest priority recommendation by Kure Beach residents. The project is approximately 4 miles long, and connects the existing Island Greenway in Carolina Beach to the Fort Fisher Ferry terminal. Once completed, the Trail Corridor will provide a dedicated alternate transportation option as well as a recreational pathway to numerous destinations in our area. These destinations include beach access points, the ferry and numerous parks, not only for Kure Beach residence, but, according to this study, for over 1 million visitors annually.

After 2 successful open houses and surveys in 2023 and 2024, survey respondents identified their preferred routes and features, focusing on safety, challenges, and opportunities. The culmination of these efforts encompasses a 3 Phased approach which are included in this Feasibility Study. In order to ensure this project is a success, we must move forward to enable project partners to begin numerous courses of action, to include acquiring right-of-way access and opportunities to minimize the impact on our environment and preserve the surrounding natural landscape.

I, on behalf of many supporters, many who are with us this evening, recommend our Town Council adopt this comprehensive Trail Corridor feasibility study to facilitate movement to the next project phase, which is the MOTSU Environmental Study.

Thank You for this opportunity to speak this evening!

2nd Speaker

Town of Kure Beach Town Council

c/o Mandy Sanders, Town of Kure Beach

Rob and Liz Johnson, 741 Settlers Lane

February 17, 2025

Dear Town Council:

Please consider fiscal responsibility to the citizens of Kure Beach by refraining from additional efforts toward a recreational bike path.

Referencing the FY2024/2025 proposed budget from May 20, 2024; I am concerned that our property taxes, water and sewer costs, trash removal and recycling costs have already increased. Operating a town is expensive. Why are you looking to increase our tax burden again?

Costs for a trail are more than double our town's annual budget and even if it was paid through state and federal subsidies an additional alternative trail should not be our council's top priority. May I respectfully submit that other infrastructure, for which council has responsibility needs immediate attention.

This past year we experienced an unnamed storm that resulted in record flooding and damage to numerous properties on the island. It was discovered that much of the stormwater system's infrastructure is filling with silt and needs to be cleaned out. You may not remember that back in 2018, the storm sewer maintenance in the easement in our back yard caused a sinkhole. The solution was to sump pump and drain runoff into the street and then into the storm sewer system. The ground in our back yard still floods, is sinking, and the damage grows increasingly worse.

How can a recreational path be justified when it provides only additional biking and walking venues that already currently exist along Fort Fisher Blvd,

Mandy Sanders 2/17/25 10:00 AM to subject

Settlers Lane, Dow Road, and any streets throughout the entire town already maintained by the town of Kure Beach. An additional path is not environmentally friendly or fiscally responsible.

Please consider not spending any additional funding whether collected on the national, state or local level, to throw in with already sunken costs showing the trail to be clearly unaffordable and an environmental burden to the town both now and in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

Kure Beach Residents, Rob and Jill Elizabeth Johnson, 741 Settlers Lane

Paving project in Kure Dunes, KB Village and it's impacts

1 message

Wick Wickliffe <wickncsu@gmail.com>

Mon, Feb 10, 2025 at 11:31 AM

To: Jimmy Mesimer <j.mesimer@tokb.org>, Allen Oliver <a.oliver@townofkurebeach.org>, David Heglar <d.heglar@townofkurebeach.org>, Connie Mearkle <c.mearkle@townofkurebeach.org>, j.ellen@tokb.org, d.panicali@tokb.org
Cc: Wick Wickliffe <wickncsu@gmail.com>

Oct 24, 2021 I wrote an email to Jimmy Mesimer, Mayor Craig Blosinski and Council member Joe Whitley about the paving job by Southern Asphalt on Sandman & Myrtlewood in Kure Dunes (which was an excellent job). My inquiry was when the rest of Kure Dunes would be paved.

The answer turns out to be Jan/Feb 2025. I don't know what jack-legged company was hired for this portion of the job, but the outcome is totally opposite of what occurred with Southern Asphalt.

I know all of you have been bombarded with comments about the shoddy work. The answer that they are coming back to fix the issues is not sufficient - Southern Asphalt didn't have to come back. After the initial complaints, a truck, trailer and men with shovels came back to "clean up". I watched from my house as every four or so shovel scoops were thrown in the trailer, at least one was thrown into bushes! We all have gravel being tracked onto our driveways, sidewalks, garages and houses. We have gravel down to K Ave and onto Dow Rd.

We take pride in our properties in KB which helps to maintain our property values. Unresolved, this will negatively impact our property values! I realize that this too shall pass, but what is the answer?

1. Hopefully no payments have been made until there is satisfaction.
2. Do we allow the jack-legs to fix it or do we hire someone else at I'm sure an increased cost?
3. Do we have an independent company to assess the quality of the work accomplished - I realize that our small town can not have expertise in all things?

After waiting 3.5 years for the paving to be done, I guess I will wait a little longer to get a good job done. I look forward to seeing all of you on Feb. 17 at 6 pm.

Attached is my email thread from Oct 2021.

Respectively,
Wick Wickliffe
417 N. 4th Ave

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6 messages

Wick Wickliffe <wickncsu@gmail.com>

Sun, Oct 24, 2021 at 10:00 PM

To: j.mesimer@tokb.org

Cc: Joseph Whitley <j.whitley@townofkurebeach.org>, Craig Bloszinsky <c.bloszinsky@townofkurebeach.org>, "William B. Wickliffe" <wickncsu@gmail.com>

Is there some reason that the Sandman and Myrtlewood cul de sacs in Kure Dunes have been paved but the 4th Ave cul de sac is not getting done? They are paving all around it. If not now, when?

"IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Tuesday, October 19, 2021 - 10:15am

Please be aware Southern Asphalt will be doing milling and paving work at Anchor Way and Sandman Drive through the end of the week. If possible please avoid the area."

Thank you,
Wick Wickliffe
Property owner and Kure Dunes HOA Board Member

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Craig Bloszinsky <c.bloszinsky@townofkurebeach.org>

Mon, Oct 25, 2021 at 10:54 AM

To: Wick Wickliffe <wickncsu@gmail.com>, Jim Mesimer <j.mesimer@townofkurebeach.org>

Cc: Joseph Whitley <j.whitley@townofkurebeach.org>, "William B. Wickliffe" <wickncsu@gmail.com>

Hi Wick, the good news here is that we are starting a large project with some small efforts. It was the intent to start the entire project early next year but Southern Paving had time in the schedule so Jimmy and team took advantage with a job designed to fill the available window. There is more to come and the schedule really depends on the weather so this is a welcome chance to get started early. Jimmy can tell you if the area referenced is in this cycle.

Jimmy, you can take it from here.

Regards,
Craig Bloszinsky
Mayor Kure Beach

Craig

From: Wick Wickliffe <wickncsu@gmail.com>**Sent:** Sunday, October 24, 2021 10:00:02 PM**To:** Jim Mesimer <j.mesimer@townofkurebeach.org>**Cc:** Joseph Whitley <j.whitley@townofkurebeach.org>; Craig Bloszinsky <c.bloszinsky@townofkurebeach.org>; William B. Wickliffe <wickncsu@gmail.com>**Subject:** Paving

[Quoted text hidden]

Jim Mesimer <j.mesimer@townofkurebeach.org>

Mon, Oct 25, 2021 at 11:05 AM

To: Craig Bloszinsky <c.bloszinsky@townofkurebeach.org>, Wick Wickliffe <wickncsu@gmail.com>

Cc: Craig Bloszinsky <c.bloszinsky@townofkurebeach.org>, KD HOA <kdtreasurer410@gmail.com>, Jon Elliott KDHOA <kdhoa.bm2@gmail.com>, Allen Oliver <a.oliver@townofkurebeach.org>

Jim,

If you walk on the cul-de-sac in bare feet it feels like gravel. Thanks for answering my questions and look forward to hearing from you on the schedule.

Wick



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To: Kure Beach Town Council

From: Jim & Carolyn Guffey

We live at 753 Settlers Lane and our home backs up to the MOTSU buffer zone. We are adamantly opposed to constructing the bike path directly behind our house! When we purchased our home in 2007, we did so favoring the privacy of a wooded area in our back yard. With this path's construction, we will forever, "twenty-four seven" have complete strangers in our backyard, disrupting our daily routine. Having a familiar neighbor in your back yard is expected with a public street in front. However, your committee is asking us to tolerate living with a public passageway in our back yard while we presently have public access in our front yard.

My question to the committee is exactly who will this bike path accommodate? As residents, we ride our bikes anywhere around Kure Beach and find the neighborhoods streets safe and pleasant. Apparently, the committee wants to accommodate tourists so they can ride all through our town and then return to Carolina Beach and spend their money. Therefore, placing the tax burden of funding this bike path which will require constant maintenance directly on the homeowners! Kure Beach will never have grocery stores, drug stores, doctors, dentist offices, etc.... and with only the few motels and restaurants there is not enough business owners to provide the necessary revenue needed.

Relators have always marketed Kure Beach as a "bedroom" community for homeowners, along with their neighbors, to invite their relatives and friends for visits. We prefer to continue this atmosphere. We get no benefit from tourists polluting our beaches.

MOTSU constructed a Fire Lane directly behind our house and it is preposterous to think that anyone with any common sense would want to turn a Fire Lane into a public throughfare! Any construction here negates the purpose of a Buffer Zone.

PLEASE DO NOT CONTRUCT THIS BIKE PATH ON 1C !!!

Thank you

Jim & Carolyn Guffey

Tonight the K.B. bike/ped committee is going to ask you to adopt the Feasibility Study for the Greenway in K.B. I would like to caution you on adopting it at this time. A couple of years ago when Town Council was asked to let this study happen there was much discussion on the route running down the fire directly behind the homes on Settlers Lane. The majority of council members were not in favor of it running behind our homes. Councilman Oliver at that time suggested to let the study happen so we would know the cost of this project and individual routes. Town Council agreed and now we have a rough estimate of the construction costs and the preferred routes. The costs that are not included in this study are the costs the town will incur to maintain and patrol this Greenway and the feasibility study.

We have been also told a request was made to MOTSU to see how far west of the fire lane they would permit this path to be built. As far as I know MOTSU has not responded. This is not reflected in the Feasibility study and needs to be addressed before you bless this project.

I have heard right now the estimated cost of this project is now between 20-21 million at today's costs. I will assume the cost will be higher due to items overlooked in this study and inflation. If the town is responsible for 30% of the costs so we are talking a minimum of \$6,000,000 today and that excludes the ongoing costs associated with this project.

In my opinion if Town Council votes tonight to adopt this study it will be fiscally irresponsible. There are too many unanswered variables that still needs to be addressed. Estimates are estimates and usually the costs run higher. It will also send a message to the residents of 62 homes that will border the Greenway you do not care about their issues of Safety, Privacy and Security.

C.B. Town Council listened to the residents if Carolina Sands and we hope you will do the same for the Residents of Kure Beach.

Roy Erwin
301 Settlers Lane