

MINUTES

TOWN OF KURE BEACH TOWN COUNCIL

117 Settlers Lane ▪ Kure Beach, NC 28449



Mac Montgomery, Mayor
Jim Dugan, Mayor Pro Tem
Dean Lambeth, Commissioner
Barry Nelder, Commissioner
Jim Vatr, Commissioner

Michelle James, Town Administrator ▪ Kaysie Pralle, Town Clerk

REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 21, 2009 6:30 P.M.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor	Mac Montgomery
Mayor Pro Tem	Jim Dugan
Commissioner	Dean Lambeth
Commissioner	Barry Nelder
Commissioner	Jim Vatr

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

STAFF PRESENT:

Town Administrator	Michelle James
Building Inspector	John Batson
Police Chief	Dennis Cooper
Public Works	Sonny Becker
Town Clerk	Kaysie Pralle

Town Attorney A. A. Canoutas was in attendance. There was a quorum of the Town Council present.

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Mayor Montgomery called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Rev. Steve Hall of St. Paul's United Methodist Church in Carolina Beach delivered the invocation. Mayor Montgomery led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

RECOGNITION AND AWARDS

PRESENTATIONS TO COUNCIL

- 2 Presentation by Marilyn Youngbluth, Secretary of the New Hanover Human Relations Commission, Elizabeth Redenbaugh, commission member and Carl Byrd, Director of New Hanover Human Relations Commission accepted proclamation from Mayor Montgomery recognizing April as Fair Housing Month.

☺ Avril Pinder of New Hanover County

Bruce Shell, County Manager for New Hanover County was also in attendance. Avril presented Council with a PowerPoint presentation to mark the differences between Ad Valorem tax basis vs. Population tax basis and the impact it would have on Kure Beach.

This presentation is incorporated by reference and made a part of these minutes.

ACTION – Commissioner Vattr MADE THE MOTION to draft a resolution to support and maintain the distribution of sales tax on an Ad Valorem basis in New Hanover County. Commissioner Nelder seconded the motion. THE VOTE OF APPROVAL WAS UNANIMOUS.

PERSONS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

(3 minutes- please sign in with the clerk before the meeting)

☺ Tony Gonsalves, SLAP committee chair presented a request from the Town of Kure Beach for the Wilmington Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) to perform a Parking Study. Mayor Montgomery pointed out this study is being done at no cost to the Town.

☺ Ken Withrow, Beautification Committee presented options for landscaping Atlantic Avenue Walkway and addressed landscaping issues at Town Hall. Ken presented Council with a handout for landscaping Atlantic Avenue. This handout is incorporated by reference and made a part of these minutes.

Mayor Montgomery pointed out there is a proposed sewer rehab project for sewer lines from L Ave to N Ave on Atlantic Avenue. This project may interfere with landscaping Atlantic Ave. at this time. If approved, this rehab project must be ready to start by July 1. We will know this week if the Town will get this grant.

ACTION – Commissioner Lambeth MADE THE MOTION to commit \$30,000.00 of the Atlantic Ave budget toward landscaping the Atlantic Ave. walkway. Mayor Pro Tem Dugan seconded the motion. THE VOTE OF APPROVAL WAS UNANIMOUS.

Once Council has timeline for the project and sewer rehab they will relay this information to the Beautification Committee.

CONSENSUS – Council approved allocating the remaining \$3,000.00 of the landscaping budget to address landscaping issues at Town Hall.

☺ Sandy Cox, Beach Protection Committee presented information to Council regarding pet waste on the beach. Mayor Montgomery pointed out this item is on the agenda later in the meeting for discussion and consideration.

⌚ Bob Fitzsimons, Parks & Recreation Committee presented a cost estimate for bocce ball courts in Joe Eakes Park. He clarified the labor for this project will be provided by Public Works. Bob would like to start the project right away.

Administrator James explained the Town would have to do a budget amendment to pay for the project. After the project is completed, the Town would then seek reimbursement from NHC Bond Fund.

ACTION - Commissioner Lambeth MADE THE MOTION to approve bocce ball courts in Joe Eakes Park and a budget amendment for this project not to exceed \$8,700.00. Commissioner Vatrtr seconded the motion. THE VOTE OF APPROVAL WAS UNANIMOUS.

⌚ Leon Milner, 4M Construction Co., Inc. presented his design and structure ideas for the Ocean Front Park and Atlantic Avenue Walkway.

⌚ Marlene Zekka read a letter stating her concerns with the deer population. Mayor Montgomery pointed out the Town Administrator will be discussing this topic later in the meeting.

⌚ Attorney William Wright represents The Riggings HOA. He explained the owners of the Riggings have a lot that is currently for sale. They are concerned that a new tree ordinance may limit the possible development for that property. Mayor Montgomery stated that if the Town moves in that direction there will be a public hearing set up to take public comment. The Riggings owners would be able to express their concerns at that time for Council consideration.

⌚ Building Inspector Batson addresses the issue of a temporary tent, structure on Alabama Avenue, abutting the dunes. He explained this event has been occurring for the past three years. It is held on private property, it is behind the Corps of Engineers perpetual easement line and behind the CAMA static vegetation line. John pointed out that this property is zoned for private and commercial use. The issue is the owners of the property are holding the events and erecting these temporary structures without a permit from the Town. However, the owners have been granted a CAMA permit. He is seeking Councils direction on how to approach this situation.

Administrator James clarified the entity handling the events is the Cottages at Kure Beach. It is being managed under Carolina Beach Realty which pays the Sales Tax.

ACTION - Commissioner Nelder MADE THE MOTION to direct Building Inspector to work with the Town Administrator, Town Attorney and any other Staff necessary, to return to Council within 30 days, with a recommendation of how to control and proceed with structures abutting the dunes, on private property being temporarily

erected for activities that would produce income. Mayor Pro Tem Dugan seconded the motion. ~~THE VOTE OF APPROVAL WAS UNANIMOUS.~~ 1:28

Mayor Montgomery recessed the meeting at 8:00 pm.
Mayor Montgomery returned to session at 8:15 pm.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

1. Building Department report: March 2009
2. Finance report: March 2009
3. Fire Department report: March 2009
4. Police Department report: March 2009
5. Spring Litter Sweep Proclamation
6. Budget amendment of \$1,200.00 to pay for COG Water Sewer Rate Study
7. Administration contract with Engineering Services, Inc. for ARRA grant/loan
8. TDA funds request (\$8,500.00) from PI Chamber of Commerce
9. Award of Atlantic Ave. Walkway Contract to Snow Marine Construction, CB
10. Accept resignation from Dick Clark, Marketing Committee
11. Accept Gilbert Alphin's step down as chair of the ADA Committee
12. Accept appointment of Robert Falco to the Marketing and Beautification Committees
13. Accept appointment of Elaine Eisberg as an alternate member to the Beautification Committee
14. Accept appointment of Jim Vatr (Co-Chair), Jim Dugan (Co-Chair), Michelle Stellaccio, Chuck Keener, Brant Barnwell, Eric Vann, Jim Schutta, Ronnie Pernell, and Dan Bell to the Economic Dev. Study Committee
15. Accept appointment of Emilie Swearingene, Sandra Sink and Laurie Byrum to the Hall of Fame Committee
16. Name change of the Citizens Beach Protection Committee to Beach Protection Committee
17. Council minutes:
 - o 3/16/09 Workshop
 - o 3/17/09 Public Hearing
 - o 3/17/09 Regular
 - o 3/30/09 Workshop

ACTION - Commissioner Vatr MADE THE MOTION to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Nelder seconded the motion. ~~THE VOTE OF APPROVAL WAS UNANIMOUS.~~

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

ACTION - Commissioner Lambeth MADE THE MOTION to go into Closed Session to discuss Personnel and to add as Item 10 under Old Business, the discussion of committees. Commissioner Nelder seconded the motion. ~~THE VOTE OF APPROVAL WAS UNANIMOUS.~~

OLD BUSINESS

1. Discussion and Consideration of applying with Town of Carolina Beach and Town of Wrightsville Beach for Beach Fill Community SVL Exception Status under new Rule 15A NCAC 7J. Section 1200 Application Rules (Recommendation from P&Z/Batson)

Building Inspector Batson reviewed the number of lots this would affect if we did not apply for the exception. His research found there was no deadline to apply for this exception and at this time there are no projects that would constitute applying for this exception.

ACTION – Commissioner Nelder MADE THE MOTION not to participate in applying with Carolina and Wrightsville Beach for Beach Fill Community SVL Exception Status under new rule 15A NCAC 7J. Section 1200. Application Rules. Commissioner Vattr seconded the motion. THE VOTE OF APPROVAL WAS UNANIMOUS. 1:41:30

2. Discussion of Duplex/Condo recommendation from P&Z (Yoder letter) (Batson)

Building Inspector Batson read the recommendation from P&Z as follows:

It is the recommendation of the entire Commission, upon advice from Council, that this matter not be addressed any further as the Commission does not see a need for a new ordinance at this time. It is further the opinion of the entire Commission that the issue with the property owner's attorney and insurance agent.

CONSENSUS – Council accepted P&Z's recommendation. Council directed Administrator James to draft a letter to Mr. Yoder informing him of Council's decision to not proceed with a new ordinance for a duplex or condo.

3. Discussion of recommendations from P&Z regarding Floor Area Ratio (FAR) (Batson)

Building Inspector Batson read the recommendation from P&Z as follows:

It is the recommendation of the entire Commission that the requirements of FAR were fulfilled with the parking requirements and that the next time the Land Use Plan is updated the Commission will address the language of FAR of eliminate it all together.

CONSENSUS – Council accepted P&Z's recommendation.

4. Discussion and consideration of deer population and control (James)

Administrator James said Sonny Point is applying for permits and confirming boundaries for a controlled public archery hunt. The hunt is tentatively scheduled for sometime around January of 2010.

Mayor Montgomery would like them to coordinate the hunt with the Police Chief Cooper.

5. Consideration of electricity payment to Seawatch Community (Brant Barnwell)

ACTION - Commissioner Lambeth MADE THE MOTION to recuse Commissioner Vatrtr from voting due to a conflict of interest. Mayor Pro Tem Dugan seconded the motion. THE VOTE OF APPROVAL WAS UNANIMOUS.

Brant Barnwell, Seawatch resident and representative, listed the names of those present from Seawatch. Those present were Bill Palmer, Don & Carolyn Paige, Jon & Penelope Palmer, Richard Roll, Alan Votta, Karen Vatrtr, Rick Haines and Chris Bell. 1:57

Seawatch is requesting the Town reimburse Seawatch residents for the retroactive electricity bill from January - September 2008. The amount of the request is \$1400.00

Mayor Pro Tem Dugan stated the previous Building Inspector, Bill Hannah, told him in a recent conversation that he remembers Council stating they would pay for the electricity, but not the light poles.

Brant explained the reason Seawatch residents are requesting reimbursement retroactive to January 2008 is because that is the month the HOA first brought this issue to Council.

ACTION - Mayor Pro Tem Dugan MADE THE MOTION to approve the electricity payment of \$1,400.00 for Seawatch during the months of January - September 2008. Mayor Montgomery seconded the motion. Motion was withdrawn by Mayor Pro Tem Dugan. Mayor Montgomery withdrew his second.

ACTION - Commissioner Nelder MADE THE MOTION to table this issue until May and invite former Building Inspector Bill Hannah to the meeting to share his information regarding discussion of Seawatch electricity agreement. Mayor Montgomery seconded the motion. THE VOTE OF APPROVAL WAS UNANIMOUS.

ACTION - Commissioner Nelder MADE THE MOTION for Commissioner Vatrtr to rejoin the meeting as a voting member. Commissioner Lambeth seconded the motion. THE VOTE OF APPROVAL WAS UNANIMOUS.

6. Discussion & consideration of agreement with Robert Segal, CPA to examine Utility Franchise Tax revenues 2:26

Commissioner Vatrtr explained there would be no fee for Mr. Segal's services. If he finds money owed to the Town his fee would be 50% of the findings. He would find the money owed to the Town, but the County would be responsible for collection. This process would take minimal staff time and support.

Commissioner Vatrtr recommends we more clearly define the contract with Robert Segal and that he return to Council to present this information for consideration.

MOTION - Commissioner Vatrtr MADE THE MOTION to request Robert Segal, CPA to return to Council to further discuss the contract to examine Utility Franchise Tax revenues. Commissioner Nelder seconded the motion. THE VOTE OF APPROVAL WAS UNANIMOUS. 2:32

7. Update on NC 20

CONSENSUS - Commissioner Lambeth will research whether the \$100.00 fee to join the NC 20 applies to municipalities same as it does for an individual.

Commissioner Lambeth read a memo with an update on the NC-20. This handout is a part of the agenda packet on file at Town Hall.

8. Economic Development Study Committee Update

Commissioner Vatrtr gave Council an update of items the committee will be working on in the upcoming months.

9. Discussion of Sign Ordinance

Commissioner Nelder pointed out that the Sign Ordinance might be beneficial to pass in phases, as opposed to passing it as a whole.

CONSENSUS - Council directed Administrator James to compose a memo to P&Z requesting while they examine the Sign Ordinance, to consider whether it would be beneficial to pass it in phases and return to Council with their recommendation.

10. Discussion of committees

ACTION - Mayor Pro Tem Dugan MADE THE MOTION to disband the ADA Committee and appoint Gilbert Alphin as the Town representative on the County ADA & Disability Board. Commissioner Nelder seconded the motion. THE VOTE OF APPROVAL WAS UNANIMOUS.

Mayor Montgomery stated there are still issues among the committees that need to be addressed, such as: committee budgets, their authority to expend money, who the committee reports to, what committees have the authority to do, what the role is between the staff and the committees and what the role of the liaison is.

ACTION - Mayor Pro Tem Dugan MADE THE MOTION to schedule a workshop on Tuesday, May 5 at 5:30 pm with Committee Chairs to discuss initiatives, budget & finance issues, examine Policy & Procedures for committees and discuss protocol for liaisons. Commissioner Lambeth seconded the motion. THE VOTE OF APPROVAL WAS UNANIMOUS. 3:00:20

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion and consideration of New Street Lights

Public Works Director Sonny Beeker presented Council with the cost of installing the proposed street lights. It would be a monthly cost of \$156.00, totaling \$1,872.00 annually. He explained that there are lighting options to choose from that would yield different lighting output. All the options have similar costs. His recommendation is to have Progress Energy come out to examine where lights are needed and give a recommendation.

ACTION - Commissioner Lambeth MADE THE MOTION to install street lights as shown on the map from Progress Energy. This expense is to be budgeted for the next fiscal year, effective July 1, 2009. Commissioner Nelder seconded the motion. Commissioner Lambeth withdrew his motion. 3:15:30

ACTION - Commissioner Lambeth MADE THE MOTION to notify, by mail, the three adjacent property owners of the proposed street light installation location. The mailing will be sent to the address where they receive their water bill and their response should be made within 30 days. Commissioner Nelder seconded the motion. THE VOTE OF APPROVAL WAS UNANIMOUS.

Mayor Montgomery requested Sonny to modify his budget to include the additional \$156 a month.

CONSENSUS - Council directed Sonny to develop a procedure for installing future street lights.

2. Discussion and consideration of action to protect Oak trees within Town limits

Commissioner Nelder would like to see the Town move towards becoming a tree city. Building Inspector Batson read from the Town Ordinance which stated hardwoods are considered regulated if they have an 8" circumference at four and a half feet above the ground. He clarified that a resident would be required to have a permit to cut down a tree of that size or larger.

Alan Votta stated that he has several live Oak trees that are around 30' tall. The cost to move is \$400.00 for the first tree and \$100-125 for each tree after that. He would allow the Town to remove the trees on his property if the Town pays the cost of the move.
3:27:30

ACTION - Commissioner Nelder MADE THE MOTION to refer this issue to the Beautification Committee for recommendation and the Town Administrator to supply them with sample ordinances for consideration. Mayor Pro Tem Dugan seconded the MOTION. THE VOTE OF APPROVAL WAS UNANIMOUS.

3. Discussion and consideration of action to clean up pet waste on the beach

ACTION – Commissioner Nelder MADE THE MOTION to amend ARTICLE II. Dogs Sec. 4-19. Penalty. to increase the fine from \$25.00 for the first offense to \$150.00 Mayor Prot Tem Dugan seconded the motion. THE VOTE OF APPROVAL WAS UNANIMOUS.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (If necessary)

ACTION – Commissioner Vattr MADE THE MOTION to go into Closed Session at 10:35 pm to discuss personnel issues. Commissioner Lambeth seconded the motion. THE VOTE OF APPROVAL WAS UNANIMOUS.

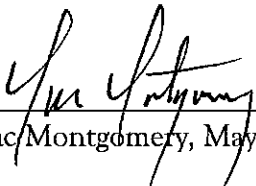
CONSENSUS – Council will discuss personnel matters to include the possible reprimand of employees from one Commissioner at the May Council meeting.

Commissioner Lambeth stated for the record:

“I hope for best intentions ya’ll know how to treat the citizens of this Town, because without them, ya’ll will be gone. They are the ones who pay all the salaries.” Lambeth - “And in the flow chart...Keep writing. I hope you are writing this because I am making a public comment.” Clerk stated “It is being recorded.” Lambeth - “In the flow chart, please take it upon yourself to look at occasionally, because the citizens are on top.”

ADJOURNMENT

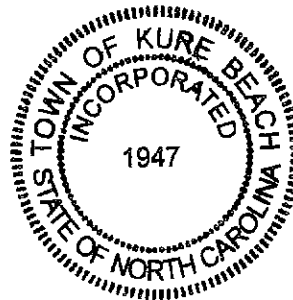
ACTION – Commissioner Nelder MADE THE MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 11:27 pm. Commissioner Vattr seconded the motion. THE VOTE OF APPROVAL WAS UNANIMOUS.



Mac Montgomery, Mayor



Kaysie Pralle, Town Clerk

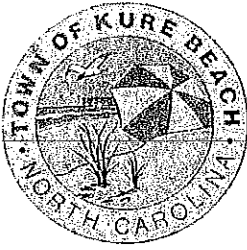


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ITEMS
INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE
AND MADE A PART OF THESE
MINUTES

OR

SIGNED AND SEALED
ORDINANCE
RESOLUTION
PROCLAMATION
CONTRACT



PROCLAMATION

SPRING LITTER SWEEP 2009

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation organizes an annual spring statewide roadside cleanup to ensure clean and beautiful roads in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the spring 2009 LITTER SWEEP roadside cleanup will take place April 18 – May 2, 2009, and encourages local governments and communities, civic and professional groups, businesses, churches, schools, families and individual citizens to participate in the Department of Transportation cleanup by sponsoring and organizing local roadside cleanups; and

WHEREAS, Adopt-A-Highway volunteers, Department of Transportation employees, Department of Correction inmates and community service workers, local government agencies, community leaders, civic and community organizations, businesses, churches, schools, and environmentally concerned citizens conduct annual local cleanups during LITTER SWEEP and may receive certificates of appreciation for their participation; and

WHEREAS, the great natural beauty of our state and a clean environment are sources of great pride for all North Carolinians, attracting tourists and aiding in recruiting new industries; and

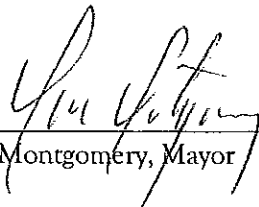
WHEREAS, the cleanup will increase awareness of the need for cleaner roadsides, emphasize the importance of not littering, and encourage recycling of solid wastes; and

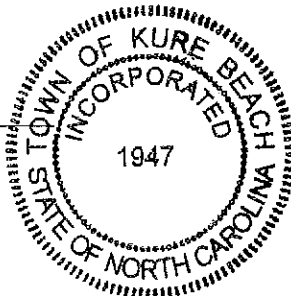
WHEREAS, the spring 2009 LITTER SWEEP cleanup will celebrate the 21st anniversary of the North Carolina Adopt-A-Highway program and its 5,750 volunteer groups that donate their labor and time year round to keep our roadsides clean; and

WHEREAS, the LITTER SWEEP cleanup will be a part of educating the children of this great state regarding the importance of a clean environment to the quality of life in North Carolina;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MAC MONTGOMERY, Mayor of the Town of Kure Beach, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 18 – May 2, 2009, as “LITTER SWEEP” time in Kure Beach and encourage all citizens to take an active role in making their communities cleaner.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the Town of Kure Beach, North Carolina this twenty-first day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand and nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-third.


Mac Montgomery, Mayor




Kaysie Pralle, Town Clerk

The following is an email from Lisa who is the Executive Director for the Natural Heritage Trust Fund (NHTF). She is confirming that our CAMA and NHTF grants are coming down the pike VERY soon and that our monies are secure!

"At this point we are putting the paperwork together to transfer money to Coastal Management (CAMA) and they should have on Tuesday (4/21/09). Then, they will send it to the State Property Office and then you all can settle (with Attorney Porter in Wilmington who the Town has hired to perform the closing).

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John Batson, Building Inspector

MEMO

To: Town Council

From: John Batson

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "JB", is written over the printed name "John Batson".

Re: Tent Problem – Alabama Ave.

Date: 4-21-09

Sirs,

I believe you all know of the reoccurring issue concerning tents being place on oceanfront at 1212 North Fort Fisher Blvd.

This past weekend it came up again, a tent was placed in front of the dune at the address referenced above. It was used in conjunction with a wedding and reception.

Next weekend there is supposed to be another wedding at the same location.

This is a reoccurring problem. The property owners are aware of this issue as is the property management company. The problem is that nobody ever requests a permit from CAMA or from the NHC Fire Marshall's office. These are two direct violations, even though it is private property.

It is a permitted use through a General Permit issued by CAMA. This permit is good for 6 months, at which time the application process has to be restarted. It is also permitted through the Fire Marshall's office, but they try to get around this issue by throwing the tent up on weekends.

I would like permission to meet with the Attorney and see what we can do about setting up a permitting process and fee, whether it be drafting a new ordinance, or adding to one.

I hope this information is useful, and please don't hesitate to ask any questions.



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John Batson, Building Inspector

MEMO

To: Town Council

From: John Batson 

Re: Static Line Exception - CAMA

Date: 4-21-09

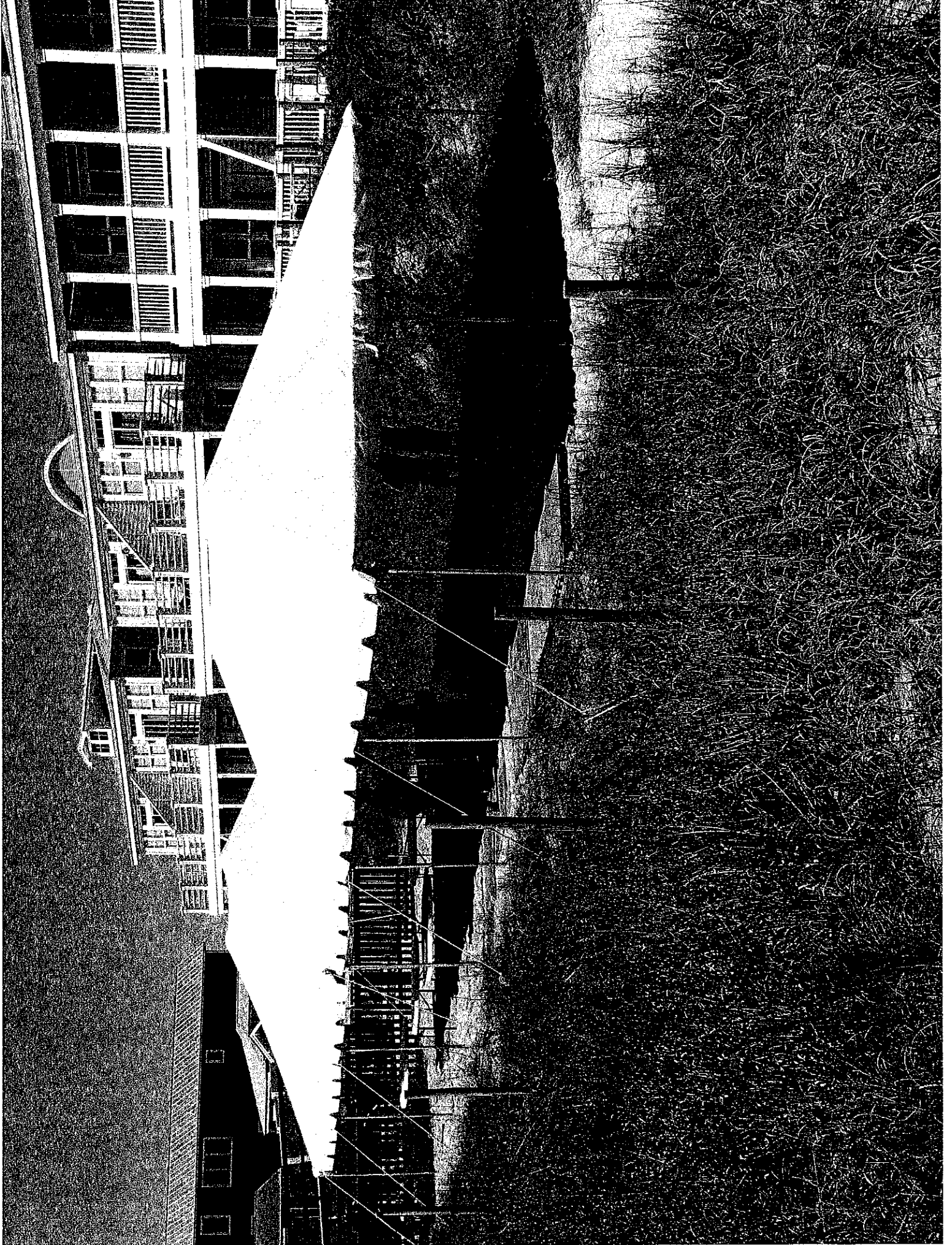
Sirs,

In response to your questions regarding the exception to the new CAMA rules, you asked me to find out how many lots would be affected by the new rules.

As I understand the exception, and in talking with CAMA reps in the Wilmington Office, this exception will do two things for us here in Kure Beach.

1. It allows for using the first line of stable and natural vegetation as the line for which to measure the setback from, however, the structure built to the new line can be no larger than 2500 square feet. This doesn't do anything for us, I highly doubt that there are any lots that wouldn't allow at least 2500 square feet with the setback as it is now measured. The only way to know for sure is to measure each lot.
2. If the new exception is applied to us, it allows us to use the same setbacks that we have used in the past for structures over 5000 square feet, instead of using the new "graduated" setbacks.

I hope this information is useful, and please don't hesitate to ask any questions.



NEW HANOVER CO.

KURE BEACH

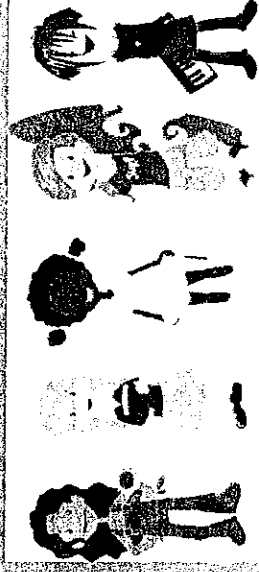
Sales Tax Methods of Distribution and Allocation Effects on Kure Beach

Distribution...

- County levies sales tax & establish distribution method

- Population (Per capita)
Allocates the revenues based on the number of people in the jurisdiction.

- Property tax (Ad Valorem)
Allocates the revenues based on the tax levy of a jurisdiction.





Distribution

- All sales tax is remitted to the State.
- State distributes the taxes back to the local government bases on the method establish by the County.
- Important to note government does not get 100% of collections. FY 2006/2007, the State only sent 81% of the total tax collected here back to us.

Existing Distribution.....

- County utilizes the Property Tax method:

Jurisdiction	Tax Levy 2007 TR	Dist. %	Sales Tax
County	147,860,708	74.627	46,661,092
Carolina Beach	4,359,790	2.200	1,375,839
Kure Beach	1,634,506	.825	515,808
Wilmington	42,174,213	21.286	13,309,113
Wrightsville Beach	2,103,223	1.24	663,724
TOTAL	198,132,440	1.00	62,525,576

If Population Method is used...

Jurisdiction	Population 2007 Certified	Dist. %	Sales Tax
County	189,922	62.99	39,384,776
Carolina Beach	5,974	1.98	1,238,849
Kure Beach	2,160	.72	447,927
Wilmington	100,746	33.41	20,892,043
Wrightsville Beach	2,710	.90	561,982
TOTAL	301,512	100	62,525,576

Property Tax vs. Population Method

Jurisdiction	Property Tax Method	Population Method	Difference
County	46,661,092	39,384,776	(7,276,316)
Carolina Beach	1,375,839	1,238,849	(136,990)
Kure Beach	515,808	447,927	(67,881)
Wilmington	13,309,113	20,892,043	7,582,930
Wrightsville Beach	663,724	561,982	(101,742)
TOTAL	62,525,576	62,525,576	0

Property Tax Method Proposed Annexation

Jurisdiction	Tax Levy	Dist. %	Sales Tax
County	147,860,708	74.03	46,287,603
Carolina Beach	4,359,790	2.183	1,364,827
Kure Beach	1,634,506	.818	511,680
Wilmington	43,772,917	21.916	13,703,055
Wrightsville Beach	2,103,233	1.053	658,411
TOTAL	199,731,144	1.00	62,525,576

Effects of Proposed Annexation Property Tax Method

Jurisdiction	Existing Allocation	Proposed Allocation	Difference
County	46,661,092	46,287,603	(373,488)
Carolina Beach	1,375,839	1,364,827	(11,013)
Kure Beach	515,808	511,680	(4,129)
Wilmington	13,309,113	13,703,055	393,942
Wrightsville	663,724	658,411	(5,313)
TOTAL	62,525,576	62,525,576	0

County Mandated Services

- County required to provide for:
 - Public Schools
 - Community Colleges
 - Elections
 - Courts
 - Detention Center
 - Public Health
 - Social Services

Allocation....

Where does County Sales Tax go?

• EDUCATION	
• Schools & Community College	43.42%
• GENERAL GOVERNMENT	
• Includes Elections & Courts	9.89%
• SHERIFF'S OFFICE	
• Includes Detention Center	11.04%
• HUMAN SERVICES	
• Includes Health & DSS	20.29%
SUBTOTAL	84.64%

Other County Expenses...

• DEBT SERVICE	6.82%
• PUBLIC SAFETY	
• 911/Fire	4.23%
• ECONOMIC & PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT	
• Planning & Inspections	0.42%
• CULTURAL & RECREATIONAL	
• Parks, Airlie, Museum, Library	3.41%
• TRANSFERS & CONTINGENCIES	0.48%
• SUBTOTAL	15.36%



- Any erosion of this major revenue source could result in:

- Reduce services to our citizens
- Increased property tax
- Alternative revenues
 - Land transfer tax
 - Additional $\frac{1}{4}$ cent sales tax



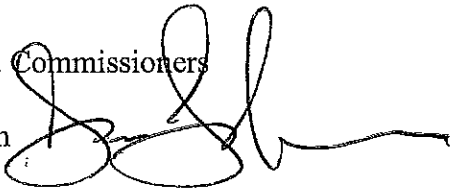
Questions?

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MEMORANDUM

Date: April 24, 2009
To: Kure Beach Mayor and Commissioners
From: Commissioner Lambeth 
Re: Complaint against two employees
Cc: Michelle James, Town Administrator
Kaysie Pralle, Town Clerk
Andy Canoutas, Town Attorney

In my opinion, the reason that I called for the closed session at the April regular Town Council Meeting no longer exists. I think all parties are satisfied that this was a major misunderstanding. Although some feelings on both sides were hurt, I believe this incident can be put behind us. Let's move forward for the good of the town, the staff, and the citizens.

Please rescind my request to put this item on the May regular Town Council Meeting agenda. Thank you for your assistance.