

### REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

**FEBRUARY 21, 2012** 

The Kure Beach Town Council held their regular Council meeting on Tuesday, February 21, 2012, at 6:30 pm. Attorney Canoutas was in attendance and there was a quorum of Council present.

### COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

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Mayor

Dean Lambeth

Commissioner Steve Pagley

Mayor Pro Tem Commissioner Chuck Keener Emilie Swearingen

Commissioner

David Heglar

### STAFF PRESENT

Building Inspector – John Batson Finance Officer – Arlen Copenhaver Public Works Director – Sonny Beeker Police Chief – Dennis Cooper Town Clerk – Nancy Avery Deputy Town Clerk – Nancy Hewitt

### CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Mayor Dean Lambeth called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Pastor Chris Glenn from the Carolina Beach Community Church delivered the invocation. Mayor Lambeth led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

VOTE TO EXCUSE COMMISSIONER PAGLEY FROM THE COUNCIL MEETING MOTION – Mayor Pro Tem Keener made the motion to excuse Commissioner Steve Pagley from the council meeting.

 $SECOND-Commissioner\ Swearingen$ 

VOTE – Unanimous

### APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Appoint Glenda Dodge to the Kure Beach Community Center Committee to finish term left vacant by Nancy Hughes whose term expires this year.
- 2. Renew 3-year, staggered term for the following committee members:
  - KB Community Center Committee members Charlotte Philemon, Jeannie Gordon, Irene Barber and Donna Budd
  - Michael Jones, Parks & Recreation Advisory Board
- 3. Approve termination of membership for Parks & Recreation alternate, Arnette Clark.
- 4. Accept resignations from Grace McGee and Vinny Doran from the Citizens Finance & Budget Committee.



### 5. Finance Items:

- Adopt FY12-13 Budget Calendar.
- Approve Bernard Robinson & Company Letter of Understanding for audit svcs.
- Approve Bernard Robinson & Company Contract to Audit Accounts.
- Budget Amendments 12-07 for \$2,178 and 12-08 for \$13,080.
- 6. Approve \$840 Coach America contract for Parks & Recreation bus trip to Brookgreen Gardens on April 10, 2012.
- 7. Consensus items from January 24, 2012 retreat:
  - a. Approve five job description revisions for Administration and Finance.
    - Utilities Manager
    - Finance Specialist
    - Deputy Town Clerk
    - Finance and Budget Officer
    - Town Clerk/Office Manager
  - b. Appoint Emilie Swearingen to serve on the Fort Fisher State Recreational Advisory committee.
  - c. Appoint Steve Pagley to serve on the Council of Government (COG).
  - d. Reappoint David Heglar to continue serving as the Town's Emergency Management Coordinator.

### 8. Council Travel:

- Mayor attendance at Water Resources Congress meeting in Washington DC on 2/28/12 and 2/29/12 – approximate cost \$1,000
- Mayor & Commissioner Swearingen attendance at Business Alliance for a Sound Economy (BASE) beach plan breakfast 2/22/12 total cost of \$30
- 9. Finance Report  $-\frac{7}{1/11}$  to  $\frac{2}{15/12}$
- 10. Fire Department Report January 2012
- 11. Building Report January 2012
- 12. Meeting Minutes:
  - January 17, 2012 regular
  - January 24, 2012 retreat

MOTION – Commissioner Heglar made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

SECOND – Mayor Pro Tem Keener

VOTE – Unanimous

### ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Swearingen asked to have New Business Item #2 revised to be worded "Brief Report on January TDA meeting and Durham Bulls."



MOTION – Commissioner Heglar made the motion to approve the meeting agenda as amended by Commissioner Swearingen.

SECOND - Mayor Pro Tem Keener

VOTE – Unanimous

### DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF PRESENTATIONS TO COUNCIL

- 1. Mary Toffolon with Set Up Events addressed Council regarding costs and plans for a Sports Fest to be held in June 2012.
  - The Sports Fest and triathlon will be held the first weekend in June.
  - The triathlon will be held on Saturday, beginning at 7:00 am when Dow Road will be closed from Settlers Lane down to Fort Fisher Blvd. The road will reopen by 8:30 am.
  - The Sports Fest will be held on Sunday and no road closures will be required.
  - Set Up Events will take care of the total cost of the events, including supplies, port-a-johns, police support, t-shirts, clean up, recycling, etc.
  - In the event that Set Up Events turns a profit for the weekend, it will reimburse itself for its expenses. Any money in addition to the expenses can be kept in a fund for next year's event with 25% of it going to the new park's fund for classrooms and education.
  - If it doesn't turn a profit, there's still no financial risk to the town. But, there's a good chance that the park and the classrooms will benefit.
  - Ms. Toffolon asked for Council's approval to hold the event because DOT needs their approval before she can get any road closure signs from them.
  - On the advertisements for the event, local businesses in Kure Beach will be listed.

MOTION – Mayor Lambeth made the motion to support the triathlon and sports fest. SECOND – Mayor Pro Tem Keener

VOTE – Commissioner Swearingen said she would abstain from voting but was advised by Town Attorney Canoutas that she can't abstain from voting. The motion was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Heglar said he understood there was a mix-up this year in the planning stages for this event which delayed some Town department heads from being notified of the event. He advised Set Up Events to get together with Town department heads earlier next year or he wouldn't be able to support the event.

Ms. Toffolon said they will know the process better next year and she assured Council there wouldn't be a delay.

2. Greg Reynolds, Assistant Director of the Pleasure Island Chamber of Commerce, requested Council approve the chamber's funding request for FY12-13 for \$8,000.



- He discussed the history of the Room Occupancy Tax (ROT) and gave a brief presentation.
- Anne Brodsky also addressed Council as a Kure Beach resident, business owner and the Vice Chairperson of the chamber, as well as a member of the Board of Directors for the Tourism Development Authority (TDA). She gave a brief overview of where the TDA money comes from and where it goes.
- Mr. Reynolds said the chamber will request money for the Summer Concert Series again which includes 6 concerts for a total of \$6,000 from ROT funds. This price includes the large media campaign they run to advertise the event.
- He reviewed other events that the chamber sponsors for which they'd like another \$2,000 from Kure Beach.
- Overall, the chamber is requesting \$8,000 for all of the programs. This is the same amount they've been receiving from Kure Beach since 2009.
- He said the chamber signs contracts for entertainment and other vendors right after the February council meetings of Carolina Beach and Kure Beach, which is why they are requesting a guarantee now.

Commissioner Heglar asked Finance Officer Copenhaver how the Town was able to support the chamber last year.

Finance Officer Copenhaver said the support usually comes from TDA funds. He said if there are enough TDA funds available this year, the Town could use them for the concert. He stated that the bulk of the TDA funds go towards lifeguards.

MOTION – Commissioner Heglar made the motion that, contingent on the availability of TDA funds, we will approve the \$8,000 funding request for the Pleasure Island Chamber of Commerce.

SECOND – Mayor Pro Tem Keener VOTE – Unanimous

- 3. Dr. Mark Wilde-Ramsing, Director Underwater Archaeology Branch of the NC Department of Cultural Resources, asked for Council's support of a resolution to recognize the iconic Civil War steam blockade runner Modern Greece
  - Mr. Wilder presented information on Modern Greece, stating it was one of the first ships to wreck during the Civil War. It wrecked right off of the Fort Fisher coast.
  - In 1962, navy divers dove on the sight and uncovered the wreck and cargo.
  - The Department of Archives and History, along with the U.S. Navy, began a salvage operation and brought up huge amounts of artifacts including luxury goods and war supplies.
  - NC developed a technique to get the salt out of the artifacts to stabilize and preserve them. Many of the artifacts were put in retention tanks awaiting research.



- Last March, they brought out 3,000 artifacts from that tanks that had been forgotten. They are bringing out more artifacts from those tanks again this coming March.
- They are hoping to get a highway sign up sometime this fall which would commemorate Modern Greece.
- He thanked Town Clerk Nancy Avery for drawing up the resolution and asked council to adopt it.

Mayor Lambeth read resolution R12-01 out loud.

Town Attorney Canoutas said that he and A.E. (Punky) Kure met the Navy divers back in the 1960's and were able to give them information about the shipwreck which led to the dive team finding it.

Commissioner Heglar suggested that Dr. Wilde-Ramsing might want to invite Mr. Canoutas and Mr. Kure to take part in the commemoration activities.

MOTION – Commissioner Heglar made the motion to adopt Resolution R12-01, recognizing Modern Greece.

SECOND – Mayor Pro Tem Keener

VOTE – Unanimous

Said resolution is herein incorporated as part of these minutes.

- 4. Mike Kozlosky, Executive Director of the Wilmington Metropolitan Planning Organization (WMPO) addressed Council regarding the Comprehensive Greenway Plan.
  - He gave a presentation which included guiding concepts, the scope of work and a summary of the planning schedule.
  - There was a kick-off meeting on January 19, 2012.
  - The WMPO has asked that a representative from Kure Beach Town Council be appointed to attend the planning meetings.
  - The steering committee will hold two sets of public workshops. The first round of workshops will be held on April 16<sup>th</sup> at the Wilmington Council chambers, April 18<sup>th</sup> at Carolina Beach Elementary and April 19<sup>th</sup> at Ogden Elementary.
  - There is a public survey available at www.wilmingtongreenway.com.
  - They are also using an online tool called Community Walk that allows people to input the travel routes they use.
  - After all of the research has been completed, they will create maps, design guides, trail routes, make signage recommendations, etc.
  - The committee is also discussing "blueways" (water features).



- The planning includes land acquisitions, funding strategies, maintenance and operations plans, recommendations for programs for the trails and an implementation schedule. A final report and brochure will be developed.
- The projected timeline for completion is the end of December 2012.

Mayor Lambeth asked if Council wanted to wait until the New Business portion of the Council meeting, where the agenda item is listed, to appoint a Town representative, or if they wanted to appoint someone now.

Council agreed to appoint someone at this point in the meeting.

MOTION – Mayor Lambeth made the motion to appoint Commissioner Swearingen to serve on the WMPO Comprehensive Greenway Plan Steering Committee. SECOND – Commissioner Heglar VOTE – Unanimous

### DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF PERSONS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

- 1. Anne Brodsky, Palm Air Realty 133 N. Ft. Fisher Blvd.
  - She gave an overview of what the TDA funds helped with in Kure Beach and on Pleasure Island as a whole.
  - She said that, because of what the TDA and the chamber are doing to help promote the island, other towns are asking the chamber to see their planning model.
  - She commented on the volunteer hours that community members contribute to promote and run the events on the island.

### DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF COMMITTEE BUSINESS

1. The Kure Beach Community Center Committee requested that Council approve alcohol use in the center for rentals.

Committee Secretary, Donna Budd, addressed Council saying it is apparent to the committee that the center has lost many rentals and is losing revenue because no one can serve alcohol in the center. She said that New Hanover County Parks & Recreation allows alcohol usage in its rental facilities and they are bringing in a good amount of revenue. Southport allows wine and beer at its facility, charges \$400 per hour and has no problems booking it.

Ms. Eleanor Johnson, Educational Training Specialist from the ABC Board gave Council the application for an alcohol permit which includes a one-time fee of \$50. She said that most of the community centers they deal with are pulling in wedding business.

Commissioner Heglar asked for Police Chief Dennis Cooper's opinion.



Chief Cooper said he has always been against this. He would be interested in seeing what the contract says. He's worried about the liability to the Town.

Ms. Johnson said she would be happy to forward other towns' contracts to Kure Beach for review. She would require an ABC-trained person onsite during any events. She stated that anyone serving alcohol has to be trained by the ABC, so it is usually caterers who can provide that function. Also, renters would need to fill out and sign the contract established by the Town.

Ms. Budd said the Community Center Committee sponsors dance events. She asked Ms. Johnson how that would have to be handled.

Ms. Johnson said that the Town would be responsible for applying for its own permit.

Commissioner Swearingen stated she has been trained by the ABC and she could be at the events. She said she would like to see the committee move forward with this, and if it doesn't work and there are a lot of complaints, the Town can take away the alcohol provision.

Ms. Johnson said the center should specify beer and wine only. No self-service would be allowed. There must be some controls.

Commissioner Heglar stated that he was fine with moving forward, but that the Town's attorney and the police chief would have to review the contract.

Town Attorney Canoutas said two Town ordinances would have to be changed if Council agrees to let the center allow alcohol. He said that no public hearing would be needed but that he and Chief Cooper would need to review the contracts and ordinances.

CONSENSUS: The consensus of council is that the Kure Beach Community Center Committee is to bring back a proposal to allow beer and wine to be served at the center, including an explanation on how the process would work and a copy of the proposed contracts; also, whether it would be only for catered events or also for Town events.

Commissioner Swearingen mentioned that the TDA has an area on its website that promotes wedding venues, but the Kure Beach Community Center isn't on the list. She asked Anne Brodsky about getting the facility put on the website and mentioned that Town Clerk Avery and Deputy Town Clerk Hewitt are going to the training for the new Convention and Visitors Bureau (CVB) website.

Gail McCloskey, President of the Pleasure Island Chamber of Commerce, said she would also add the center to their Wedding Planner brochure.



2. Consideration of no quorum on Citizens Finance & Budget Committee and whether to disband or request application.

Town Clerk Avery explained that the Citizens Finance & Budget Committee was allocated to have five members, but they were only operating with four members recently. An additional two resignations were received this month, leaving only two members on the committee. This leaves the committee without a quorum. She asked Council it they'd like her to advertise for applicants for the committee or if they wanted to consider disbanding it.

Commissioner Heglar said the committee was useful and accomplished things that it set out to accomplish but, with the current Finance Officer, he feels comfortable not reestablishing the committee since it's not required by NC statute.

Mayor Pro Tem Keener said he thinks Finance Officer Copenhaver can cover what the committee was working on by himself at this point.

Commissioner Swearingen said she felt that sometimes the committee wasn't certain what its mission was. The members worked with the Finance Officer on setting up the reserve fund policy which was one of their biggest accomplishments. Committee member Mark Ferrer has offered his services to the Finance Officer, if he needs help.

Town Clerk Avery commented that the committee created a spreadsheet that the Finance Officer still plans to use and it was instrumental during last fiscal year's budget planning session.

MOTION – Mayor Pro Tem Keener made the motion to dissolve the Citizens Finance & Budget Committee.

SECOND - Commissioner Heglar

VOTE – Unanimous

- 3. Stormwater & Environmental Committee Requests for Decision Committee member John Gordon said his committee is asking Town Council to consider providing his committee with a decision or guidance for the following items:
  - a. The committee would like the Town to authorize additional free yard debris pickup for organic matter. Mr. Gordon said the committee is afraid that people are putting yard debris in their garbage because they don't want to pay for trash pickup. This then goes into the landfill instead of being recycled. It's illegal to place yard debris in the garbage. He suggested people could continue putting their yard debris in brown paper lawn debris bags.

Public Works Director Beeker said he doesn't have a problem with not charging anyone to pick up trash, if that is what Council wants. But, he said that Public Works would have



to change its standard operating procedure on how it currently picks up and disposes of this debris. Sunny Point inspected the land the Town currently leases for the Public Works yard and they are no longer allowed to use the area where they use to store these organic materials. Currently, Public Works is getting 3-4 weeks of debris in the truck as it is. He said that residents shouldn't use the brown paper bags for their yard debris because his workers have to dump the material out of the bags anyway.

Commissioner Swearingen asked if Public Works was having its free pickup again this year.

Director Beeker said the free pickup would be held again this year on the Thursday after Easter. He also plans to pick up technology items.

- b. The committee asked for more frequent non-recyclable material pickup to be offered by New Hanover County with a place more convenient to the island to drop off the materials, like Monkey Junction. This would be for things like paint cans, old tires, oil, etc.
- c. The committee would like recycle bins to be placed at the beach accesses. They were there at one point but were removed when people began disposing of unacceptable items in them.
- d. The committee would like Council to consider putting dog waste stations in other areas of Kure Beach. Mr. Gordon said there is one at Joe Eakes Park, but that's all he knows about. He said that the Town is supposed to identify and control surface waste in compliance with its Stormwater permit.
- e. Mr. Gordon said his committee would also like to work on education and get permission from Council to apply for grant money. They are looking at the Community Waste Reduction and Recycling Grant. He said that the Beach Protection Committee has a brochure with information regarding dogs on the beach, recycling, and other environmental information. His committee would like to obtain funding to reprint the brochure since the supply is getting low. The committee would like Kure Beach hotels and rental agencies to have these to hand out to its guests.
- f. The committee would like to purchase a device that crushes recyclable cans. This device is called a Recycling Baler. Mr. Gordon showed a picture of this to Council. He said the baler could be loaned out for other venues and events on the island.



Mr. Gordon said that, if the grant is awarded, the committee would like to use \$1,000 of the money to print more brochures and about \$3,500 to purchase the baler. He said the grant paperwork needed to be submitted by March 9, 2012.

Commissioner Swearingen said that, since other events and towns may want to use the baler, she'd like to ask Island Women and the Pleasure Island Foundation to help pay for it. She would also talk to Carolina Beach to kick in some money for it. She suggested the Town match the funding for no more than \$400. The intention would be to get volunteers to operate it.

MOTION – Commissioner Heglar made the motion to approve submitting the Community Waste Reduction and Recycling Grant application and, if the grant is awarded, Council will make a budget amendment of \$400 for the Town match. SECOND – Mayor Pro Tem Keener VOTE – Unanimous

4. Clarification of retreat consensus item to have no term limits for Ad Hoc committees Town Clerk Avery stated that, at the January 24<sup>th</sup> Council retreat, Council consensus was that there be no term limits for Ad Hoc committees. This leave the Kure Beach Community Center Committee and the Kure Beach Parks and Recreation Advisory Board which have Town ordinances requiring them to have a 3-year staggered term. She said that it would be a simple amendment to the ordinances to remove the requirement for these terms.

MOTION – Mayor Lambeth made the motion to adopt the proposal that Town Clerk Avery presented to remove the requirement for term limits from the ordinances regarding the Kure Beach Community Center Committee and the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

SECOND – Mayor Pro Tem Keener VOTE – Unanimous

5. Approve use of intern, Thomas Bartolotta, provided through NHC Parks & Recreation and UNCW for the Town's Parks & Recreation program, at no cost to Town. Parks and Recreation Advisory Board member Craig Bloszinsky requested Council's approval for a no-cost intern for Kure Beach Parks and Recreation. He gave a brief overview of Mr. Bartolotta's history. The board would like him to start working in May, and he would continue to work for 12 weeks. The board will provide the supervision of his work. They will have him help with Ocean Front Park initiatives including developing the programs to be used at the park. He will also help with the Parks and Recreation programs and can help with the Kure Beach Sports Fest. Mr. Bloszinsky said they can delay his start date, if Council prefers, but Mr. Bartolotta will be graduating in December of 2012 and will be unavailable after that.



Commissioner Swearingen asked that the intern also be required to attend the monthly Council meetings, as well as the Parks and Recreation Board meetings.

Commission Heglar recommended that Mr. Bartolotta have a background check, especially if he is going to be working with children.

Town Attorney Canoutas said Council would need Mr. Bartolotta's consent to run a background check.

MOTION – Mayor Lambeth made the motion to approve Thomas Bartolotta as an unpaid intern for Kure Beach Parks and Recreation, contingent upon satisfactorily completing a background check.

SECOND – Commissioner Heglar

VOTE – Unanimous

8:30 pm Break 8:45 pm Returned from break

DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF DEPARTMENT HEAD BUSINESS None

### DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Cooperative effort between town and county for electronics pickup/disposal Public Works Director Beeker said he talked to the County and it was decided that the Public Works department could drop off any electronics to them any time there was enough accumulated. He would like to do the free pickup day on Thursday, April 12. His crew will start picking up on Monday and finish on Friday. He said he would put together an acceptable/non-acceptable list and have the information put on the Town's website and submitted to the Island Gazette.
- 2. Ordinance amendment regarding rentals used for weddings At the January Council retreat, Building Inspector Batson and Town Attorney Canoutas were directed to research whether private homes being rented by realty companies for weddings needed permits or licenses.

Town Attorney Canoutas said if the property is being advertised as a rental property, it can be treated as a business.

Inspector Batson asked Council to review the draft proposed amendment to the Noise ordinance and the draft proposed amendment to the ordinance regarding rental properties used for special events, also incorporating weddings into it.



Discussion ensued and suggestions and comments were made by Council about the draft amendments.

CONSENSUS: Inspector Batson and Attorney Canoutas should make additional changes to the draft noise ordinance and address private property issues in the draft special events ordinance, and bring the revised drafts to the next council meeting.

3. Beach Protection Committee letter to be mailed to Kure Beach Homeowner Associations (HOAs)

Mayor Pro Tem Keener said that Director Beeker had agreed to pick up garbage carts on the beachside for the accesses of eight HOAs. This does not include Ocean Dunes.

Director Beeker said that, as long as they know where the HOAs want them to be located on the beach, Public Works will set them up and go from there. He recommended that the Town not charge the HOAs for the carts or for the pickup. Public Works will treat these containers the same as the other garbage containers they already have on the beach.

Commissioner Heglar said, with that in mind, the letter's first paragraph should be revised to state that the Town will provide the cart.

MOTION – Mayor Pro Tem Keener made the motion to approve the draft letter with discussed changes for the Beach Protection Committee to mail out to eight Kure Beach HOAs regarding garbage carts on the beach, cigarette butt stations and dog waste stations.

SECOND – Commissioner Heglar VOTE – Unanimous

Said letter is herein incorporated as part of these minutes.

### 4. Lanier Parking proposal

Commissioner Heglar said he hadn't had a chance to talk with the Carolina Beach Town Manager regarding this subject, and the SLAP committee didn't meet in February to review the proposal. He and Finance Officer Copenhaver reviewed the financial information and he will talk with Lanier to obtain additional information. He will bring the issue back to review with Council at its March meeting. He feels Council should decide by April whether to go with paid parking or not.

Paid parking was tabled until the next Council meeting.

5. Additional streetlights on Fort Fisher Boulevard

Director Beeker said he would be glad to get DOT to come down and look at the situation along Fort Fisher Boulevard, and he feels that Progress Energy would agree to put in additional street lights on existing poles wherever the Town wants them. He is concerned



about the proximity of the lights to the houses on the east side of 421. He recommended that Council ask the owners of the properties how they feel about the issue.

Town Clerk Avery asked about the condition of the sidewalks and whether lighting was needed.

Commissioner Heglar commented that the sidewalks along the area in question are marginal in addition to the poor lighting in some areas. He said Council needs to do something about the issue.

CONSENSUS: The consensus of Council is to have Director Beeker speak to the DOT and Progress Energy about additional lighting along Fort Fisher Boulevard from K to I Avenue.

6. Appointment to New Hanover Commission on Women Commissioner Swearingen said that the commission is experiencing a big transition of board members and officers. She would like to contact them and let them know Council would like to hold off on appointing anyone to the commission until it has gotten through the transition period.

Town Clerk Avery said that she saw an email from the treasurer of the commission stating that the County was no longer endorsing them, so it is no longer a County commission. She asked if Council should back away from it if it was no longer affiliated with the County.

CONSENSUS: The consensus of Council is to have Commissioner Swearingen put together a letter to the New Hanover Commission on Women stating concerns about appointment until commission is better organized.

### DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Board of Adjustment Membership:
  - a. Accept resignation of Charlie Allo.

MOTION – Commissioner Heglar made the motion to accept Charlie Allo's resignation from the Board of Adjustment.

SECOND - Mayor Pro Tem Keener

VOTE – Unanimous

Commissioner Heglar asked Deputy Town Clerk Hewitt to research the length of time that Mr. Allo has served the Town so that Council could recognize him, formally, at a future meeting.

b. Consider request from Sandra Whaley (alternate) to be appointed as regular member or authorize clerk to advertise for regular member.



MOTION – Mayor Lambeth made the motion to appoint Sandra Whaley as a regular member on the Board of Adjustment.

SECOND – Commissioner Heglar

VOTE – Unanimous

Town Clerk Avery was directed to advertise the vacant alternate position.

2. Brief report on January TDA meeting and the Durham Bulls Commissioner Swearingen said she attended the January TDA meeting and was pleased with how much work they were doing. She said she would like Brant Barnwell, chairman of the Kure Beach Marketing Committee to attend the March council meeting and share a PowerPoint presentation of the things that have been, and are being implemented including the CVB's new website.

She said that the Durham Bulls have agreed to promote Kure Beach during the month of April at its home games. They will display Kure Beach on their backboards and the announcer will talk about Kure Beach during the games, and they will give away a free trip to Kure Beach. They have invited the Mayor to attend one of their home games so they could present him with the game ball. They have 20 tickets that can be used by Council or anyone that Council wishes to give them to; perhaps the Marketing Committee. The first game will be held on Saturday, April 8.

Mayor Lambeth said he wouldn't go because he felt that it would be used as a platform to promote Wilmington Mayor Saffo's support of a ball team in Wilmington.

Commissioner Swearingen said that the Durham Bulls offer had nothing to do with that.

Commissioner Heglar asked Mayor Lambeth if it would be all right for one of the other Council members to represent the Town, to which the Mayor agreed.

CONSENSUS – Commissioner Swearingen will provide information to other Council members to see if anyone else will attend.

- 3. Appointment to WMPO Comprehensive Greenway Plan Steering Committee. This item was already completed during the presentation portion of the meeting.
- 4. Department Head attendance at Council meetings
  Mayor Lambeth asked the department heads to attend council meetings whenever their
  department would be involved in any of the discussions. He feels they should be present
  to give and receive information to enable decisions to be made more readily during a
  Council meeting.



CONSENSUS: The consensus of Council is to require department heads to attend Council meetings if items pertaining to their department are on the Council agenda.

5. Move payment box to location that allows vehicle access. Mayor Lambeth said that this was on the Council "to-do" list a few years ago. Council would like the payment box to be vehicle accessible.

Public Works Director Beeker suggested purchasing a new, in-ground payment box and having a post erected in front of it so vehicles won't run into it. He estimated the overall cost of this to be approximately \$1,600 to \$2,000.

CONSENSUS – Council instructed Public Works Director Beeker to budget in Fiscal Year 12-13 for a new utility payment box to be placed in a location for vehicle access.

6. Town Resident Representative on WMPO Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory
Committee and WMPO Citizens Advisory Committee
Town Clerk Avery reported that she had sent Paul Martinez, the Town's representative
for these WMPO committees, an email asking him to attend the Council meeting and she
received a response from him that he was unable to attend. She asked him to send her a
report on the committees to present to Council. Mr. Martinez didn't provide a report.

Commissioner Swearingen said Mr. Martinez hasn't presented any reports to Council during the time he has been on the committees.

Mayor Lambeth feels that Mr. Martinez doesn't follow Council's wishes as far as his representation on the committee regarding keeping the bike path out of the fire cut. He said that Council can vote to replace him or leave him on the committees and have him come to the next Council meeting.

Commissioner Heglar said that Council should give Mr. Martinez notice of their intentions. Mr. Martinez has missed the majority of the meetings from July 2011 and on. If he wants to stay on the committees, he should let Council know.

MOTION – Commissioner Heglar made the motion to instruct the Town Clerk to write a letter to Mr. Martinez requesting his attendance at the March Council meeting or, if he doesn't attend, Council will move forward to replace him on the committees.

SECOND – Commissioner Swearingen

VOTE – Unanimous

**ADJOURNMENT** 

MOTION – Commissioner Heglar made the motion to adjourn. SECOND – Mayor Lambeth VOTE – Unanimous



Meeting adjourned at 9:43 pm

Dean Lambeth, Mayor

ATTEST: Nancy Hewitt, Deputy Town Clerk

# ITEMS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE AND MADE A PART OF THESE MINUTES

OR

SIGNED AND SEALED
ORDINANCE
RESOLUTION
PROCLAMATION
CONTRACT



# TOWN COUNCIL TOWN OF KURE BEACH, NC

# RESOLUTION R12-01

IN SUPPORT OF THE RECOGNITION AND COMMEMORATION OF THE REMAINS OF THE STEAM BLOCKADE RUNNER MODERN GREECE

WHEREAS, the steam blockade-runner Modern Greece represents one of the earliest attempts to use Wilmington as a port of call during the Civil War and the first major loss occurring June 27, 1862; and

WHEREAS, by war's end almost 100 different steam blockade-runners had passed in or out of the seaport, providing commerce and supplies essential to sustaining the Confederacy; and

WHEREAS, one hundred years later the wreck of the Modern Greece became the focus of intense salvage during the Civil War centennial, which led to the creation of the Underwater Archaeology Branch at Fort Fisher; and

WHEREAS, the Branch continues today in leading the nation in underwater archaeology and conservation on the vast number of vessels lost within North Carolina waters; and

WHEREAS, commemoration of Modern Greece will take place on June 27, 2012, with the official unveiling an ocean-side signage recognizing the Modern Greece site and its role during the Civil War. During the day, the Underwater Archaeology Branch at Fort Fisher will open its doors to the public for a rare behind-the-scenes tour of its conservation laboratory that for fifty years has pioneered the conservation of maritime artifacts, including the large Modern Greece collection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Town Council of the Town of Kure Beach does hereby acknowledge the historical significance and commends the Underwater Archaeology Branch at Fort Fisher by pledging its support in the recognition and commemoration of the remains of the Modern Greece in a ceremony to be held on June 27, 2012.

Adopted by the Town Council of

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Churck Keener Mayor Pro Te

Rest: Nancy Avery, Town Clerk

this 21st day of February, 2012.

### Date

HOA Name CONTACT ADDRESS

Dear HOA President and Association Members:

We, the Beach Protection Committee with the Town of Kure Beach, are writing to ask for your interest and assistance in supporting our efforts to keep the Kure Beach beach strand clean and attractive to visitors and residents alike.

The Town of Kure Beach has agreed to provide your HOA with a garbage cart and Public Works will place it beachside for you. They will also empty it for you, beachside. There won't be a need for you to move it to the street for pickup each week.

Specifically, we are asking for support from your association on the following initiatives:

- 1. If "Butt Buckets" are provided for the disposal of cigarette butts, we would like to have members of each association empty them in the garbage for pickup and return them to their designated locations. Please note that visitors have been seen looking for a place to dispose of their cigarette butts but, because they can't find a place to dispose of them, they are leaving them on the beach or throwing them in the dunes.
- 2. If "Doggie Poop Buckets" are provided, we would like to have members of each association empty them in the garbage for pickup and return them to their designated locations.
- 3. Help distribute or post written reminders of fines for ordinance violations regarding littering and the dates when dogs are *not* allowed on the beach. These reminders would be provided to you by us.

If all of the Homeowners Associations would join us in this effort, the difference would be significant.

We request that you discuss this at your next HOA meeting and that a member of the Beach Protection Committee be included at that meeting to answer any questions you may have. We hope you will support at least one of the above initiatives. The beach belongs to all of us so let's join forces to keep Kure Beach both safe and beautiful.

Please contact me at <a href="Merry.Garrigan@att.net">Kerry.Garrigan@att.net</a> or by phone at 910-458-7894 to schedule a time for one of our members to attend your next HOA meeting. Thank you for your time and consideration.

With warmest regards,

Kerry Garrigan KB Beach Protection Committee