

*KURE BEACH
CITIZENS BEACH PROTECTION COMMITTEE
DECEMBER 5, 2006*

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 PM at the Town Hall with the following in attendance:

*Tom Barber, Chair
Dick Graham
Tony Gonsalves*

*Priscilla Smith, Secretary
Sandy Putnam*

Also present Chuck Keener, Liaison.

The agenda was adopted with no changes.

Chair Barber is still working on obtaining the addresses of all residents and property owners. He has obtained approval to purchase an Access Program that would be beneficial for this project. At present there is no available computer with the required software. Using a mail merge program could perform the task. He will continue to work on this problem as it is considered extremely important.

Chair Barber hopes to find out this Thursday the current status of the renourishment project. Presently, Ocean Isle will be first and Kure Beach will be in mid January.

Beach Vitex. This is a problem for all beach areas. The vitex must be dug out, bagged and burnt. The plan to clean up the Vitex will be to supply colored bags with instructions for clean-up, have the property owner notify the Public Works for pick-up and proper disposal. The method for burning this weed has not been finalized.

The beach area will gain 200 feet of new dunes and these dunes will need to be planted with sea oats and fertilized. A "Dune Day" for the planting of sea oats and cleaning the litter off the dunes is scheduled for the spring of 2007. Mac Montgomery has advised the town would run an ad to obtain quotes for fertilizing the sea oats. The work should be done in late April.

Dick Graham gave an update on the Beach Etiquette Environmental Statement. The committee found the proposal to be excellent.

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The first suggestion was a picture of a pelican with the list of do's and don'ts held in his mouth. The second was a loggerhead outline with the list on the back area. Both ideas and the list are acceptable.

The November beach inspection and measurements has been completed. The report is excellent. The document has been sent to the Corps of Engineers and the Town Council.

Sandy Putnam looked through the old records at the Town Hall library and organized the chaos. Thanks Sandy.

In January, when Carolina Beach plants sea oats in their greenhouse volunteers to help with this project will be needed.

Tom attended a seminar in the Marriott in Carolina Beach. He reported the seminar was very informative and interesting.

Regarding the bids for the fertilizing of the sea oats, the bidding will close at 5PM on February 1st.

By motion made, seconded and carried the meeting adjourned at 4:50 PM. The next scheduled meeting will be on January 2nd at 3:30 PM in the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Priscilla Smith

Attachment: Etiquette

DRAFT ONLY

Welcome to Kure Beach – Our Hidden Paradise!
Help us Enjoy and Preserve our Beach for Future Generations

- ✓ **Do not walk on, damage, or destroy the sand dunes and plantings**
- ✓ **Enter the beach only on designated walkways and trails**
- ✓ **Respect everyone’s right to enjoy the ocean front in their own way**
- ✓ **Follow directions from lifeguards and town safety officials**
- ✓ **Don’t litter --- Clean up as you leave the beach. Fill in sand holes**
- ✓ **Only bring pets to the beach from October 1st to March 31st**
 - **Pets must always be leashed**
 - **Pick up pet waste and dispose in beach containers**
 - **Pets are not allowed on sand dunes for any reason**
- ✓ **Leave turtle nests alone. Dim front porch lights at night**
- ✓ **Don’t drive on the beach unless approved by the Police Chief**

Thanks for Listening! Contact Town Hall at 458-8216 for questions