Kure Beach Protection Committee April 7, 2009

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

Sandy Cox, Chair

Priscilla Smith, Secretary

Phyllis Mojzis

Tony Gonsalves

Mike Bledsoe

Also attending: Jim Vatrt, Council Liaison

By motion, made seconded and carried the agenda for the April 7th meeting was adopted.

By motion made, seconded and carried the minutes of the March 4th meeting was adopted.

Old Business:

Beach Signs: Sonny has ordered 32 additional "keep off the dunes' signs. These signs were delivered today. On Friday, April 17th a group from the committee will place flags by the dunes where we would like the signs to go. Tony Gonsalves, Phyllis Mojzis & Sandy Cox have volunteered to "plant the flags".

Street Festival, April 25th. Sonny will set up a tent and table for the committee in the new park area. We will have magnets and the new flyers to hand out. Priscilla Smith will man the tent from 11 AM to 1 PM. Coverage for 1 PM to 3 PM and 3 PM to 5 PM are needed. Please advise Sandy and/or Priscilla what time slot you can cover.

Rental Information: Tony will contact the real estate people and distribute the beach magnets and flyers to them for placing these items in the rental units.

Magnet status: The magnets have been redesigned and 1,000 have been ordered. 200 of these magnets will be available for April 25th.

March 28th sea oats planting: This planting was cancelled as the Town had planted sea grass a short time ago.

Flag color: An additional flag color has been added to the life guard flag system to eliminate the confusion of dangerous ocean conditions and the lack of a guard on duty.

Brochure: Phyllis has created a new informational brochure to hand out the public. She did a stellar job. The flyer is great and should promote beach consideration. The committee will be handling them out at the Street Festival.

John Batson has reviewed the walkways and has located three that violate the 6 ft. limit. No action will be taken at this time, but the situation will be monitored.

New Business:

P & Z would like the committee to spell out the changes we would like to see in the new sign ordinance. Sandy will take care of this. The main verbiage that the committee would like to see is in regard to balloons used by realtors and others left on the beach creating a dangerous situation for the turtles, fish and other sea creatures.

Phyllis has created a sign for placement of the life guard stands. These signs will be 24x30 and will convey the lifetime of many items that are left on the beach and that create a problem for turtles and the beach and ocean. There are nine life guard stands and the committee would like 10 signs, the 10th to be placed by the pier entrance. It will cost approximately \$575.00 or so to have these signs made. By motion made, seconded and carried the Committee will have signs made and placed.

Sandy proposed a change to the committee's name. By motion made, seconded and carried the Committee voted to change the committee's name from Citizens Beach Protection Committee to Beach Protection Committee.

S. Mercer of Coastal Transplants is available to meet with the committee to discuss the various dune plantings, fertilizing and other ideas for ways to care for the beach and dunes.

The meeting was adjourned. The next scheduled meeting will be on May 5, 2009 at Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Priscilla Smith