

*KURE BEACH
BEAUTIFICATION MEETING
APRIL 9, 2007*

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 PM at the Town Hall with the following in attendance:

*John Gordon, Chair
Barry Nelder, Co-Chair
Tony Gonsalves
Herb Wiebe*

*Priscilla Smith, Secretary
Candice Clark
Anne Lyons
Ken Withrow*

Also attending: Chuck Keener and three members of the Beach Walk Home owners Association.

Atlantic Avenue-CAMA grant: The Pre-application was submitted on Feb. 27th and we have received verbal approval. The written approval for the application was to be mailed on 4/9/07. The final is due on 5/22/07 and can be upped to approximately \$90,000 more if required. There was much discussion regarding the plans that have been drawn. One item of interest is the requirements of railings on the boardwalk. Should there be one on each side or only on the dunes side. Ken Withrow was nominated as liaison with Chuck Keener and CAMA regarding this project. He will keep the committee informed on the progress.

Town Hall: The re-landscaping is nearly complete. Approximately \$100.00 more of plants are needed to complete the project. The work already completed is very good, but there is a problem with deer that seem to be eating several of the newly planted bushes.

The question of whether we should have the existing holly trees removed has been tabled for the time being. We will address it at a future time.

Sandman greenspace: The Town has received the deed to this property and the decision on what to do with the land is under discussion. The Beach Walk Properties Owners Assoc., have a piece of property that abuts the lot. They would like to co-join on the development of both properties. They are interested in turning the land into a "wetlands system" using plants that will draw the ground water, or in some way assist in utilizing the ground water that is a problem. They will contact the Arboretum for the name of those

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Who are knowledgeable in this area, and see if they would be able to assist us in this.

Chair Gordon has submitted an application for a Forestry Grant of \$3000. He has stated that we could apply to become a Tree City, which would get us larger grants, but there is a lot of input required. Candace Clark will review the requirements and report back to the committee. Beach Walk opined that they are open to the prospect of deeding this lot to the Town, if a feasible plan can be formulated. They are aware that the committee can only use Town funds for Town Land.

Barry Nelder reported that he is on the Storm Water Committee that is just starting up, and will be able to keep the committee apprised of what is going on. The Storm Water committee will meet on 4/11/07 at 5:00 PM in the Town Hall.

Candice Clark passed out pictures of the Kure Beach signs, and locations. She also issued a written report on the findings of the Sign Subcommittee.

Anne Lyons, who waters the Palms at the Town Hall on Saturday will be out of town and Priscilla Smith will take care of the watering until she returns.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 PM. The next scheduled meeting will on May 14th at 4:30 PM in the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted:

Priscilla Smith