KURE BEACH SHORELINE ACCESS, BEACH PROTECTION AND PARKING COMMITTEE OCTOBER 4, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM with the following in attendance:Susan Walters, ChairPriscilla Smith, SecretaryAnn HughesJim SmithPamela O'QuinnKerry GarriganSara SmithRandy BockDennis PanicaliMike Bledsoe

A motion made, seconded and carried the minutes of the September meeting were approved with the following addition. Ann Hughes noted the need for crosswalks at K Ave. & Ft. Fisher. Blvd. was omitted from our September meeting.

There were no persons to address the committee.

By motion made, seconded and carried the agenda for the October meeting were approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

Active:

- Adopt a Beach, Ann Hughes reported the program was working well with excellent participants. She advised the committee that program would like to show appreciation to the participants by presenting them with a certificate commending their efforts and Kerry Garrigan will draft a certificate and the committee members will go before Council in November to present the idea and the draft for approval. The committee recommends presenting the Certificates to the participants at the January Council Meeting.
- 2. TDA Project, Jim Smith. There is no change
- 3. Six (6) Spaces on Ft. Fisher Blvd. The DOT has reviewed our request to remark these missing parking spaces and they have review the location and will remark five (5) spaces. Prior to remarking these spaces DOT requires a document from the Town Council requesting the remarking.
- 4. I. & E. Beach Access. We are waiting to hear when the grant has been finalized.
- 5. Traffic Light & Pedestrian Crosswalk at the intersection of K Avenue & Ft. Fisher Blvd. Jim Smith has spoken with DOT and they agree that there should be a walk light and designated cross walk. They will advise the committee of the projected cost of this project so we can advise the Council and request their approval.
- 6. Signage at the Beach. Dennis Panicali advised the committee he has spoken with Sonny and they discussed the signage. Dennis relayed the idea to have the signs on a single placard like the ones in Carolina Beach. Sonny was very favorable to this idea. The cost of the signs in Carolina Beach is \$350.00 per sign plus the post and installation. We would need 23 signs. These signs are five piece signs and the individual signs can be changed.
- 7. Brochures, Kerry Garrigan. Revisions will be targeted for February/March. Brochure would be designed with new signage in mind to optimize design recognition and content. Permanent:
- a. Beach Sweeps There are no beach sweeps at present
- b. Turtle Nests, Ann Hughes reported all sea turtle nests in Kure Beach have hatched. Nest Leaders at KB11 reported that the lights on N. Ave & Atlantic, as well as the pier lights were a distraction to the hatch and the turtles became disoriented. This disorientation caused them to move

towards the lights rather than the ocean and team members had to rescue multiple times as they moved into the dunes and some onto the street.

- c. Sea Oats, Mike Bledsoe. As there is a hurricane heading our way, Mike recommended that after the storm we should review the beach to ascertain what needs to be done to repair the damage.
- d. Christmas Trees. No change
- e. Grant cycle. No change
- *f.* Paid parking. The focus group, led by Orville Powell will meet with a representative from SmartParcs to discuss his recommendations for paid parking in the town of Kure Beach.
- g. Storm Water. Dennis reported he met with Sonny regarding Storm water and found out that this has be discussed several times before and the main problem is the cost of creating a storm water system is unreachable.
- *h.* Co-Chair. Dennis Panicali volunteered to be the co-chair of the committee. We all thank Dennis and feel he will be an asset to the committee.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. The problem with enforcing the ordinances regarding the beach. i.e. dogs on the beach in season, violation of the dunes, etc. This is an ongoing problem. A suggestion was made that the Committee should invite the Police Chief to our meeting next spring prior to the start of the season to discuss this.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 PM. The next scheduled meeting will be on November 1st at 4:00 PM at the Town Hall. I will not be able to attend the November meeting and I have asked Ann Hughes to take the minutes. Thank you Ann.

Respectfully Submitted,

Priscilla Smith