

**Kure Beach Bike/Ped Committee  
Meeting Minutes: 8/01/2022  
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Present members: Eileen Clute (EC), Mo Linquist (ML), Steve Shumate (SS), Jerry Clark (JC),  
Cindy Maier (CM), Candy Ashton-Forrester (CAF), Tracy Mitchell (TM)  
Commissioner: Allen Oliver (AO), MPT  
Absent:  
Staff: Sean Geer

<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<b>ACTION</b>
<b>Call to order</b>	3:00 pm	ML
<b>Roll Call</b>	See above	
<b>Approval of Agenda</b>	Add: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Old Business: Tour de Blueberry report</li> <li>• New Business: Safety Quiz, AARP Livable Communities</li> <li>• Announcements: NC Bike/Walk Summit</li> </ul> Motion to approve amended agenda by SS, seconded by JC	Motion approved
<b>Approval of Minutes</b>	Motion to approve April 2022 minutes by SS, seconded by EC Motion to approve June 2022 minutes as amended by SS, seconded by JC	Motion approved Motion approved
<b>Public Comment</b>	Howard Ames, Atlantic Ave., KB— Presented case for the boardwalk to stay current width or be no wider than 8’ and not become multiuse pathway (10 ft wide), for not using “poured concrete or any type of concrete product” for the boardwalk, and for making sure the process of updating the boardwalk is inclusive of KB citizens.  Tom Dintino, 4 <sup>th</sup> Ave. N, KB—voiced concerns about the proposed bike path and	

	<p>want to make sure it actually “goes somewhere.”</p> <p>Helen Peters, Atlantic Ave., KB—presented case for boardwalk remaining pedestrian only and widening to the east as opposed to the west to keep a landscaped boarder next to Atlantic Ave.</p> <p>Roy Erwin—Settler’s Lane, KB—wants to ensure the Bike/Ped committee is aware of the citizens’ concerns regarding the bike/pedestrian master plan.</p> <p>Jennifer Ames—Atlantic Ave, KB—expressed concerns regarding widening the boardwalk, wants more vetting by the citizens for any changes to the boardwalk, and wants any plans to make the boardwalk “ground level off the table.”</p> <p>Susan Sewell—Atlantic Ave, KB—shared how the boardwalk is a “bid draw” for the film industry and doesn’t want anything about the boardwalk changed (except for maintenance). She would also like to see data on the alleged safety issues on the boardwalk and have “bike” included on the one-way signs on Atlantic Ave.</p> <p>Maureen Dintino—4<sup>th</sup> Ave. N, KB—shared concerns about changes to the boardwalk being a deterrent to the film industry coming to KB and doesn’t want any changes made to the current layout of the boardwalk. She also wants to know when decisions about updating the boardwalk will be made.</p> <p>Helen Peterson—Atlantic Ave, KB—sent letter regarding boardwalk improvements.</p>	
<b>Presentation</b>	None	

<p><b>Old Business</b></p>	<p><b>East Coast Greenway:</b> EC reported that Andrew Meeker with ECG would like to meet with the Bike/Ped Committee to see how he can assist the committee. She also reported that the first run on the ECG from Maine to Key West was held and the participants ran 40 miles per day.</p> <p><b>Bike/Ped Website:</b> CM reported the website has been updated with information regarding bike helmet fitting and will add other safety recommendations. She will add bike and pedestrian safety information. ML suggested the NC Bike/Walk Summit info be added on the website, and that the FAQ be updated.</p> <p><b>Bike/Ped Committee</b></p> <p><b>Emails/Correspondence:</b> ML reported no emails were received in the last month, and distributed instructions to the committee members on how to access the committee's email.</p> <p><b>Update on Crosswalks at Intersections:</b> AO reported he and the mayor met with Representative Charlie Miller about receiving state funding for various town infrastructure projects resulting in \$250,000 being awarded to KB for crosswalk improvements-- \$100,000 will be allocated for the Ft. Fisher and K Ave. upgrades. This will be a 10 yr. process.</p> <p><b>Committee T-shirts:</b> Town will not fund shirts, but CM reported that the order has been placed and will let everyone know when the shirts are in and what the final cost will be.</p> <p><b>Spot Lane Connector:</b> The paved connector has been completed. ML reported she is working with Mike Hoffer (CB), Island Greenway on design of signage so it can be consistent with the ones</p>	
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on the Island Greenway and pricing for two signs. A bench and a kiosk with maps and a QR code are also planned.

**Island Maps:** ML reported that Shore Break Bike Shop has maps for biking in Carolina Beach and she would like to have similar maps for Kure Beach with the goal of keeping children off Ft. Fisher Blvd.

**Tuesday Markets:**

Committee attended June (CAF, CM) and July (SS, JC) markets and provided safety education via bike quiz and answered questions regarding the Bike/Ped Master Plan. ML and EC will be at the Aug. 9<sup>th</sup> market. SS will get materials for GoCoast for the market.

**Tour De Blueberry,** EC reported the KB Cruiser won 1<sup>st</sup> place in the virtual race. The members of the team will receive 50% off next year's registration.

<p><b>New Business</b></p>	<p><b>Boardwalk:</b> AO reported that Council will discuss what to do with various plans for the improvement of the boardwalk. The next step will be for the Council to hire a consultant and receive citizen input. ML responded to citizen questions about how the boardwalk became a priority when it was rated so low on the Bike/Ped Master Plan. She explained the boardwalk is in major need of repair so that is how upgrades became a priority.</p> <p><b>AARP Livable Communities:</b> JC will look into this and see how KB can use it.</p>	
<p><b>Updates and Announcements</b></p>	<p><b>Bike Walk NC</b>, Oct. 27-29, ECU Health Institute, Greenville: ML, EC and CAF will be attending in person, other committee members can attend virtually.</p>	
<p><b>Next meeting</b></p>	<p>Sept 6, 2022, 3 PM, Town Hall</p>	
<p><b>Adjournment</b></p>	<p>Motion to adjourn at 4:48 PM made by SS, seconded by EC.</p>	<p>Motion approved</p>