

KURE BEACH
SHORELINE ACCESS, BEACH PROTECTION
AND PARKING COMMITTEE
NOVEMBER 9, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM at the Town Hall with the following in attendance,

Tony Gonsalves, Chair

Priscilla Smith, Secretary

Jim Smith

Susan Walters

Ann Hughes

Sara Smith

Patricia Edgecome

Linda Cheshire

Kerry Garrigan

Mike Bledsoe

By Motion made, seconded and carried the minutes from the October meeting were approved.

By Motion made, seconded and carried the agenda for the November meeting were approved with the inclusion of discussing cancelling the December meeting.

Persons to address the Committee: Ms. Ea Ruth from Palm Air and the Wilmington Realty Association addressed the Committee regarding sea oats. On April 7th 2015 this Association mobilized 400 members to volunteer their time for improving the community in various ways. 30 of these members planted sea oats on our beach. They enjoyed the activity and would like to do a sea oats planting this spring. Their tentative date is April 5th. This November 16th is the start of the beach nourishment project which will not be completed until April 30th. Our Committee is planning on planting at least 3500 sea oats after the completion of the nourishment. Ms. Ruth will meet with her group regarding the date problem. She will see if they can come up with a date after April 30th. If this is possible the committee is willing to work with them in acquiring the necessary sea oats, etc.

OLD BUSINESS:

Active:

- 1. Adopt a Beach, Susan Walters & Ann Hughes, Ann reported she received approval from the Council to go forward with this project. Ann, along with Susan and Kerry are preparing a web site to handle all facets of this project. There is an expense for the management of the web site. They will present the Council with a proposal for covering the costs of operating and managing this site. The proposed cost would be between \$9.00 to \$24.00 per month. They will request approximately \$150. To cover the cost for the balance of this fiscal year.*
- 2. TDA Project, Kerry Garrigan. There is nothing new to report.*
- 3. J-E Beach access parking, Jim Smith, This project is still on hold*
- 4. Re-define parking spaces on Ft. Fisher Blvd. Jim Smith. Tony spoke with Chief Cooper regarding the undefined spaces. Chief Cooper will check them out and get back to Tony, who will then contact the DOT with the necessary information.*
- 5. Ave H. Beach Access. The paper work on this project has been completed. The update could start in February or March. The lighting will be turtle friendly.*
- 6. Corral Lighting. This was supposed to be on the last Town Agenda but is now on the November agenda.*

Permanent:

- a. Beach Sweep, Regular, UNCW, Other. Susan Waters. Our yearly beach sweep will be scheduled after the completion of the nourishment of the beaches.*
- b. Turtle Nests. Pat Edgecome, There are no turtle nests at this time.*
- c. Sea Oats, Mike Bledsoe. Mike reported he can acquire the necessary sea oats at 60 cents per plant and have them ready when the committee decides on a date to plant.*

d. *Christmas Trees. This is on hold until March 2016.*

NEW BUSINESS:

A. *December meeting. By motion made, seconded and carried the Committee voted to not hold a meeting in December. The next meeting will be on January 5th 2016.*

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 PM. The next scheduled meeting will be on January 5th at 4:00 PM at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Priscilla Smith.

A Happy Thanksgiving, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. See you on Jan 5th.