

Kure Beach Bike/Ped Committee

February 16, 2026

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Members Present: Candy Ashton-Forrester (CAF), John Pride (JP), Ryland Fox (RF), Will Reynolds (WR), Greg Germain (GG), Steve Corcoran (SC), Trent Taylor (TT), Mo Linquist (ML)

Guests/Citizens:

Staff/Council: Commissioner Mark Dirks, Council Liaison

Absent: Eileen Clute (EC)

Call to Order	10:00 AM by EC
Roll Call	See above
Approval of Agenda	Added beautification plan. Motion to approve by JP, seconded by TT. Motion carried unanimously.
Approval of Minutes	Motion to approve 01/05/2026 GG, seconded by EC. Motion carried unanimously.
Mission Statement	Read by JP
Public Comment	None
Presentation	Commissioner Dirks introduced himself to the committee.
Budget Report	SC reported to date committee account has approximately \$5500—report is located GoogleSheets on the GoogleDrive.
Old Business	<p>Strategic Plan--Mo shared committee's updated 2026-2027 Strategic Plan. Budget column and lead committee members were added by SC .</p> <p>NCDOT Bicycle Helmet Initiative—WR and ML are working on getting the grant application for 50 helmets into NCDOT by Feb. 20, 2026.</p>

Communication—JP reported the Pleasure Island News ad for Feb. has been published. PSA videos for Facebook have been sent by WMPO GO COAST.

Traffic Garden: Scheduled for Friday, April 24 (rain date May1) at Carolina Beach Elementary School—7:30 am start time. Set-up date is Thursday, April 23, 4 PM.

Be Safe Be Seen Shirts: Do we want to buy more to use as giveaways for various activities.

Community Events: Community Center Open House went well. Polar Plunge does not need any extra volunteers. Sean would like the Bike/Ped Committee to have booth at the 2027 Polar Plunge.

Kure Community Fest: April 25, 11am-3pm, TT, WR, GG. JP, RF and ML will be able to attend.

Infrastructure: Walk Left Bike Right signs have been posted. RF reported on the beautification at Spot Lane Connector. Planting needs to begin in March. GG will take this to the Friends of Kure Beach for volunteers. Work will begin March 7th & 8th. Motion made by CAF, seconded by GG to allocate \$1,500 to RF to use as needed for materials.

East Coast Greenway Meeting: GG, ML, EC and Commissioner Dirks met with Andrew Meeker and Mayor Oliver regarding environmental study for Island Greenway Extension. Mayor Oliver will take the Environmental Study Scope of Work to MOTSU for their approval.

Spot Lane Connector sign has been installed by Public Works.

New Business:

ML met with KBPD Chief Bailey and CBPD Sgt. McNeil regarding e-bikes vs motorbikes/mopeds/e-motos and reckless behavior. KBPD posted an article of Facebook and in the PIN regarding differences between e-bikes vs mopeds—“Parents: Is Your Child’s E-Bike Legal?” In addition, both police departments will create a designated e-bike incident data-base.

Chairperson Update:

ML read her letter to Senator Michael Lee and his response regarding e-bikes.

Member Updates:

Bike Bus: WR reported the monthly Carolina Beach Elementary School Bike Bus will be the first Wednesday of each month

starting in March. Nicole, the organizer, asked if KB wanted to be involved.

Announcements:

Polar Plunge—Feb. 21

Lo Tide Run—March 14

Traffic Garden—April 23, set-up, 4-6 PM; April 24, event, 7:30 AM-1:30 PM

Kure Community Fest—April 25

BikeWalk NC, Sept. 17-19

River to the Sea Ride—May 2

Next Meeting:

Mar. 9, 2026, 10 AM

Adjournment:

2:59 PM