

Kure Beach Bike/Ped Committee

Meeting Minutes: 08/04/2025

Recorded by GG

Members Present: Candy Ashton-Forrester (CAF) zoom, John Pride (JP), Ryland Fox (RF) zoom, Steve Shumate (SS), Greg Germain (GG), Mo Linquist (ML), Will Reynolds (WR), Eileen Clute (EC),

Guests/Citizens: Jennifer Ames,

Staff/Council: Sean Gear, Callie Donnelly; John Ellen (JE), Commissioner and Committee Liaison

Absent: Al Krum

Call to Order 10:00 AM by ML

Roll Call See above

Approval of Agenda Motion to approve by JP, seconded by WR. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes Motion to approve by GG, seconded by SS. Motion carried unanimously.

Mission Statement Read by ML

Public Comment None

Budget Report ML accepted the resignation of AK from the committee. She will advise town council for addition to consent agenda. With AK leaving, the treasurer position will be formalized next meeting. WR has graciously thrown his name in the hat

Presentation **Council of Government training** -Operation of public committees according to NC statutes Conducted at the end of the meeting by ML. All current committee members have now been trained

Old Business **Communication** "Welcome to our bike and pedestrian friendly island—heads up phones down." - published in July in Island newspaper.
JP to improve easy access to Island bike map on web page

Annual report to town council currently in draft. All initiative owners to submit updates to CAF by 8/18.

Funding—Grant from Cape Fear Garden Club for beautification of Spot Land Connector—RF completed and submitted. Expect response in October.

Grant submitted by ML for 2 bike racks at I & E avenues.
Decision in September

Education—

Neighborhood Nights—Last night with our participation as a committee is 8/7. Our interactive activity with the “spin the wheel” has been popular.

Aug. 7—JP & RF & SS

Bike map distribution—WR to order 1000 maps at \$350 He will coordinate distribution.

Infrastructure-

Bike rack thank you signs - WR to work with public works to install at the 3 bike rack locations.

GG to contact the owner of the lighthouse Inn followed by Bethany in compliance on the constant overflow of rocks into Atlantic ave.

SS to follow up on town citizens request for additional WLBR signs

Beautification—

CAF has engaged with the Island Arts council on a possible mural wrap for the lift station at the Spot connector. She will update us with future actions

GG also engaged with the Island Arts council on the Island wide Public sculpture project. Committee agreed that it would be positive for the town and will be involved in the selection of two locations and getting town approval. GG to follow up on locations with Recreation and Public works.

Events-

Tour de Island, Oct. 18th—Approved by council, package being shared with all KB department heads to avoid conflicts. EC notified the town council through John Ellen that the budgeted amount of \$1000 will be used for the event.

BikeWalkNC Summit, Hickory, NC, Sept. 7th-9th –GG, RF, CAF, ML, EC & JP will attend. Rides and hotels have been planned.
<https://www.bikewalknc.org/nc-bikewalk-summit/>

Mountains to the Coast, NC—Oct 5th-11th ends at Fort Fisher Monument. ML will contact Tony Clark, event manager, to clarify route and determine what committee can do to welcome riders.

Announcements

- Tour de Island subcommittee meeting—weekly
- BikeWalkNC Summit, Hickory, NC, Sept. 7th-9th
- Brunswick Cultural Heritage Gullah Geechee Ride—Sept. 27th
- Mountains to the Coast, NC—Oct 5th-11th Last day is Burgaw to Fort Fisher.
- Kure Beach Farewell to Summer Jazz Funeral—Oct. 2025
- Heglar Open
- Bike-to-the-Beach—Nov. 2026

Next Meeting: Sept 15, 2025

Adjournment: 12:22 PM