# TOWN COUNCIL ACTIONS April 16, 2013

#### **COMMITTEES**

• Council consented to appoint Mayor Lambeth, Commissioner Heglar and Finance Officer Copenhaver to represent the Town of Kure Beach as members on a multijurisdictional committee to discuss ROT legislation changes.

#### COUNCIL/LEGAL

- Council approved closing K Avenue, east of Fort Fisher Blvd. from 12:00 am to 2:00 pm on Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup> for the Cape Fear Disabled Sportsman Fishing Tournament at the Kure Beach Fishing Pier.
- Council approved closing K Avenue, east of Fort Fisher Blvd., and closing Atlantic Avenue from K to L Avenue, from 12:00 am on Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup> to as early on Sunday morning as possible on April 28<sup>th</sup> for the Ocean Front Park (OFP) Grand Opening and Street Festival.
- Council consented to allow Paula Plarre from the Pleasure Island Sea Turtle Project to attach a Sea Turtle sign to the center lifeguard stand located south of the pier, once the stand is put in place.
- Council voted to direct Commissioner Swearingen to draft postcard communications to Kure Beach homeowners requesting they convey their support of shallow draft inlet dredging. The postcards to non- resident Kure Beach homeowners who live in North Carolina (NC) will request they contact their State legislators, and postcards to non-resident Kure Beach homeowners who don't live in NC will request they contact their Federal legislators. Commissioner Swearingen will provide the wording for the NC residents' postcard to Town staff by the end of the week, and she will provide the wording for the non-NC residents' postcard to Town staff within two weeks.
- Council consented to have Commissioner Swearingen meet with Carolina Beach (CB) Commissioner Jodi Smith to work on a request for a Public Hearing with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, to be held on Pleasure Island, regarding the proposal to designate coastal counties in NC as critical habitats for loggerhead sea turtles under the Endangered Species Act. Commission Swearingen will also work with CB Commissioner Smith to create a Resolution outlining the Councils' joint stance on the proposal.

#### FINANCE/BUDGET

- Council approved the Rental Invoice Agreement from Jumpin' Party Rentals for \$214 for OFP Grand Opening: funds from Bluefish Fundraiser.
- Council approved the contract from Babs McDance for \$500 for OFP Grand Opening: funds from Bluefish Fundraiser.
- Council approved spending \$502.90 from the committee budget to print storm water educational brochures to be given out at the OFP grand opening.
- Council approved the request from the Shoreline Access & Parking (SLAP) Committee for the following expenditures: \$46.44 for five "Do Not Feed the Birds" signs to come out of the committee budget; \$101.01 for 10 "No Dogs" signs to come out of the committee budget; and \$273.68 for 14 Beach Access number signs to come out of the money originally allotted for bike racks in the

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committee budget, or to come out of the General Fund if the bike racks have already been ordered.

- Council approved Budget Amendment 13-07 for \$30,000 for a portion of the revenue received from the OFP fundraiser to be used to fund the cost associated with the fish, benches and swings, with the OFP grand opening and with other related expenses.
- Council directed the Finance Officer to work with the Town Clerk to provide Council with a detailed financial breakdown of the boardwalk fundraiser budget.

## **PROJECTS**

# Ocean Front Park (OFP)

• Council approved the hours of operation for the OFP public restrooms to be from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm from Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup> through Memorial Day; restrooms are to be opened by Public Works and closed by the Police Department. *See Follow-Up, below, for further information.* 

# Shoreline Access & Parking (SLAP) projects

• Council directed Lacy Ford from the Island Women's Beach Bound Project to get together with SLAP Chairperson Tony Gonsalves regarding signs the Island Women would like to erect in Kure Beach which would direct people where they can obtain the Town's beach wheelchairs.

## ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

- Council approved the amendment to Chapter 19, Zoning; Article IV, Supplemental District Regulations; Section 339, Minimum Parking Requirements; items (5) and (6), proposing to change the required number of parking spaces for home occupation in an operator's residence from two (2) spaces to an unspecified amount of parking spaces as per approval by the Building Inspector; and proposing to change the required number of parking spaces for professional office in home from three (3) parking spaces to an unspecified amount of parking spaces as per approval by the Building Inspector.
- Council adopted Resolution 13-07 supporting Senate Bill 58 with an amendment to the bill that would require a maximum 25% match for receiving funds for shallow draft inlet dredging. The resolution was amended to add the word "transportation" between the words "State" and "responsibility" in the third "Whereas."
- Council adopted Proclamation 13-01, proclaiming May 2013 Lyme Disease Awareness Month. The proclamation was amended to correct the wording in the seventh "Whereas" to make it a continuous sentence and to correct the wording in the final paragraph by deleting the word "proclaims" and adding "in the Town of Kure Beach" to the end of the sentence.

## NO ACTION/FOLLOW UP/TABLED

• Council tabled discussion and consideration of the hours of operation of the OFP restrooms until the May 21, 2013 Council meeting, excluding the hours of

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operation from April 17<sup>th</sup> through Memorial Day. See Projects, Ocean Front Park, above, for further information.

- Council took no action on SLAP Chairperson Tony Gonsalves' request to erect "No Smoking" signs in the Ocean Front Park.
- Council directed Commissioner Heglar to discuss the water lines that continue to break and flood the property at 610 S. Fort Fisher Boulevard with Public Works Director Beeker, to try and come up with a solution to communicate to the homeowner.

## MINUTES

- March 19, 2013 Regular
- March 19, 2013 Closed Session, Legal

Nancy Hewitt Deputy Town Clerk, 4/17/13