

Surfside Association
Annual Meeting, Part 2
August 9, 2008

Pres. Quigley opened the meeting at 10:05 am at the Star of The Sea Youth Hostel. He summarized the items discussed at the July meeting including some topics that are Island wide concerns, such as Roads.

President's Report:

Road Takings: There will be a meeting at 10:00 am August 27th at Fisherman's Beach parking lot about the Town taking parts of Nobadeer, Lover's Lane, Dunham and Adams Street. Later this same evening the County Commissioners will assemble to discuss the takings further. The next roads to be considered by the Town are Boulevarde, the rest of Lover's Lane, Okorwaw and Monohansett.

Home Demolished: Norm Levenson's house at 50 Nonantum Avenue will be demolished after unsuccessful attempts to donate the house. He will build a new, larger home. This is just one of many changes around Surfside which points out the importance of our Area Plan in reflecting the desires of many to keep things the way they are.

House Numbers: The need was stressed for all homes to prominently display their house numbers both on the house and at the end of the driveway, so emergency and EMT crews can quickly and accurately locate those needing help.

Beach Party Enforcement: After the substantial trashing of Nobadeer Beach July 4th, various Town Departments met with the Beach Management Advisory Committee, and all agreed to work together July 4, 2009 to avoid a repeat of the incident.

Non-Voting Tax Payers: A meeting of the Non-Voting Tax Payers association will be held August 19th at 9:30 at the Atheneum, and those with appropriate concerns were urged to attend and be heard.

Website: Members were reminded that our website, www.surfsideassociation.org contains minutes from our meetings, newsletters, seasonal pictures, and Association contact information as well as other items of interest.

Treasurer's Report: Barb Malcolm distributed copies of her report and reminded everyone that our fiscal year ends Sept. 1. She suggested we move some of our cash from the money market which now pays so little to CD's. This will be looked into. To date we have 115 dues paying members, but Barb stated that many people do not pay dues until Labor Day or later, so that number will increase.

Airplane Noise: Pres. Quigley recently attended an Airport Commission meeting and heard that noise complaints were up five times over last year. He asked members to keep calling and complaining about planes flying directly over their homes. The Nantucket Tower has control only over planes that are on the ground; the FAA controls the planes once they leave the ground. Pres. Quigley has been trying to organize a meeting with the FAA to gain their cooperation. All the Airport can do to control the noise is give monetary rewards to all airlines that cooperate by flying one mile off shore before making any turn. This summer one airline was forced to cooperate after being boycotted. Also of interest are articles in the newspaper reporting on the progress of the Airport Terminal expansion.

Donations: Chairperson Maureen Beck reminded members that two years ago this Association voted to keep the distribution of donations within the confines of the Surfside area. A new

committee will be formed, "The Surfside Improvement Committee", which will research and fund projects that would benefit Surfside, perhaps pothole repair or beautification activities such as tree plantings. A motion was made to form a Surfside Improvement Committee, and to fund it initially with \$1,000. The motion was seconded and approved.

Only Footprints: Glenn Stewart reported that Judi Stewart has formed a "Trash Patrol" consisting of seven adult volunteers as well as some high school kids, five of whom were involved in trashing Nobadeer Beach over July 4th. The Stewarts would like to get some adult support from within the high school. There is a group of kids in the school called "Surf Group", and the Stewarts work closely with them. The "Nantucket Clean Team", headed by Bill Connell, has offered to help clean Nobadeer Beach after July 4, 2009. This is a group that cleans up at various Island locations every Saturday. Nobadeer Beach is owned by the Airport, but they do not maintain it. It's a safety zone for planes. To help combat underage drinking, liquor stores are being asked not to sell to minors. The other problem on our beaches is dog droppings which are often not cleaned up. It is a law that dogs must be on leashes.

Membership: Chairperson Pat Newton stressed the benefits of having member's email addresses. Currently there are 227 addresses in the Surfside area data base. Our mailing costs could be greatly reduced if members would use our website (www.surfsideassociation.org) as their source of information. For those interested in contacting Pat, her email address is www.plnsurf@comcast.net. She also reminded members there are several community links on our Association's website.

Nominating: Chairperson Maureen Beck presented the slate for 2008-2009. A motion was made to elect the officers and Board members as named on the slate. It was seconded and approved.

Social Events: Chairperson Ned Fawcett reminded members of the 4th annual Fishing Tournament. The Labor Day party will be held at Barb Malcolm's on Sunday, August 31 at 5:00 pm and prizes will be awarded at that time. Guests are encouraged to bring an hors d'oeuvre. The Surfside Golf Tournament was held Tuesday, August 5th at 3:00 pm at the Miacomet Golf Club. Ned thanked Vito Capizzo and Steve Chase for running a very successful outing. There were 7 foursomes. Following the golf, hors d'oeuvres were served and several golfers and their families stayed to enjoy the Club's usual Tuesday Barbecue dinner. Some winners were announced at this time and awarded prizes.

Surfside Area Plan: Ned Fawcett, Chairperson of the Surfside Area Plan Work Group, stated the Group has been meeting regularly to draft recommendations to be presented to the Planning Board. Pres. Quigley handed out copies of this group's "Partial Preliminary Draft Recommendations" and stressed this draft has not been adopted and may be changed. The draft included statements on the following: Goals and Policy, Open Space, Recreation, Natural & Cultural Resources, Services and Facilities, Circulation, Housing, Land Use and Economic Development. Pres. Quigley asked for questions or comments. A motion was made to fund expenses incurred within the next twelve months by this Work Group; it was seconded and passed.

Pres. Quigley thanked members for attending the meeting which adjourned at 11:45 am.

Respectfully submitted,
Fay Fawcett, Secretary