



The Surfside Association - Nantucket, MA

- Member of the Nantucket Civic League –

Dedicated to the protection and preservation of our lands and homes and of lands contiguous to Surfside; and to the advancement and beauty of the place and its informality, which we have cherished over the years.



Summer 2014

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It was a busy winter but a productive one. I attended several meetings of the Airport Master Plan Working Group whose task is to prepare a 10 year Master Plan for the Airport. I expressed our concerns over expansion of the South Parking Apron, noise, lighting, fumes, and access roads. The completed report should be available this summer.

After many years of work, the Town is moving toward a "taking" of some roads in the Surfside area. In April the voters approved an expenditure of \$100,000 for survey, engineering, and legal work to start this process. It is a start. One of the obstacles was funding for the Town taking and road rebuilding. We have shown the Town that sale of their assets in Surfside would raise the necessary funds. They have done that, selling or holding contracts to sell on multiple lots; however these funds have to go into the Town's General Fund and then the voters have to authorize the expenditure. A classic Catch 22. Yet we are keeping the pressure on.

After a break in the logjam at the Land Court in Boston, the Paper Road process is moving again. We should see completions soon.

Finally, a report from the Surfside Roads Fund show a substantial gain towards the \$50,000 maintenance fund. To date we have used some of these funds to patch the Boulevarde, a part of Lover's Lane, Okorwaw, and Monohansett for now, and intend to keep them safe and passable until the Town "takes" them in a year or two.

Our Surfside Association meetings are on the second Saturday of July (the 12th) and August (the 9th) at 10:00 am at The Star of The Sea Hostel. Hope to see you all there. Also hope to see you at the President's party, 35 Nobadeer, from 5-7, July 26. and at our Labor Day party at Barb Malcolm's, 23 Sherburne Commons Drive, from 5-7 too, on Sunday, August 31.

And finally, for all the rest of the information about what's happened and about to happen in Surfside, check out our website: www.surfsideassociation.org.

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President