

Surfside Association

Annual Meeting Part I, July 8, 2006

President Quigley opened the meeting at 10:07 a.m. at the Star of The Sea Youth Hostel. He said our Association is financially strong and membership is growing with the inclusion of more year round residents. Because of this growth and our expanded involvement in town committees, we now have a stronger voice in the management of Nantucket's town government.

Our guest speaker, Selectman Mike Glowacki, was introduced. He started off by stating that this year was the last year of his term. He went on to explain how complicated our form of town government has become, and because of this, there is currently a committee reviewing the structure and efficiency of Nantucket's present government.

Each year the Selectman try to make a long range plan with specific goals and objectives. Last year, while he was chairman of the BOS, there were four major objectives. One was in the area of municipal finance and how the town handles finances. A second was in the area of Beach Management and public access to the beaches. A third was in the area of waste water, and the upgrading, expansion, and funding of the new Surfside Sewer Plant. And a fourth, was in the area of roads, the ownership of same and the maintenance and repair costs for these.

Our next guest speaker was Jeff Carlson, the new Beach Manager, who has replaced Amanda Bixby. He works closely with the Beach Advisory Committee, of which our Maureen Beck is Chairperson, and encouraged all to attend the weekly meetings held at the Land Bank Office at 4:00 p.m., Thursdays. He also urged everyone to feel free to call him with any beach problems at 508-228-7260 or e-mail him at jcarlson@nantucket-ma.gov. Jeff said new and different problems arise every week. They are currently focusing their efforts on nesting plovers and terns on the beaches, but last week it was Portuguese Men 'O War jellyfish floating in our waters. President Quigley reminded him our Association's budget from 2005 included a \$500 donation to them for signage for Surfside Beaches which was never used, but is still available for their use.

President Quigley commented on the status of our roads and said he hoped eventually they would be donated by the abutters to the Town. Allen Reinhard, Chair of the Roads and Rights of Way Committee, said the following four roads, The Boulevarde, Lovers Lane, Okorwaw, and Monohanset have been combined into one group are now number three on the priority list to be taken as Town Roads. Money available from the Town Budget will determine how soon this might take place. The issue of Rights of Way to our beaches has stalled, but Pres. Quigley said he is expecting and hoping all parties will come together soon and resolve this problem.

President Quigley noted that some Nantucket High School students have planted dune grass around Nobadeer Beach to help restore the dunes. He said we all like our Surfside area just as it is now and would not like to see any more roads, or paper roads, opened up. He also asked that we minimize our use of outside floodlighting at night.

Maureen Beck praised the Island wide work Allen Reinhard is doing and said we are proud to have him as one of our Surfside neighbors.

Ned Fawcett spoke on the Nantucket Civic League's project called "ACK/MAP" which they are working on in conjunction with the Town and Town Planning Board. The end result of this will be a detailed map of each area neighborhood with respect to the present and future patterns of growth in a number of ways. Comprehending the Island wide effects of growth, neighborhood by

neighborhood, will help determine the course we all would like Nantucket to take and will contribute to the overall Master Plan. Surfside will be asked to assist with volunteers in helping to verifying the data base created by the ACK/MAP project. It is hoped that this project will be completed by the end of the year.

Ned then spoke on another planning process which has been mandated by the State, called the Area Plan. The State has asked all towns within the state, including Nantucket, to come up with a master plan for development. The Nantucket Planning and Economic Development Board has agreed to let each neighborhood develop their own plan, and upon approval, will include it in the overall Nantucket Master Plan. Two neighborhoods, 'Sconset and Mid Island, have already completed and had their plans approved: Madaket has completed their plan and final approval is expected shortly; and Tom Nevers is just beginning the process of developing their plan. Hopefully, Surfside can be the next in line to develop their plan. This will be a long and very tedious process requiring many volunteers. Ned will have a written plan of attack to submit to the Association at the August meeting.

President Quigley noted the minutes of our meetings will be posted on our web site (www.SurfsideAssociation.Org) .

Treasurer Barb Malcolm passed around the Association's Financial Statement as of July 8, 2006 which currently includes a balance of \$20,141.22

Airport Committee member Quigley encouraged members to call the Airport and complain about noise which everyone agreed was worse than ever this summer. He said the Airport did not get funding to expand the terminal and that the Blue Angels plan to put on a show the 30th of September.

Donations were discussed beginning with a request from Maureen Beck for \$1,000.00 to be donated to the Land Council for the purchase of the Loring Property which no one wants to go to developers, and \$1,000.00 to the U-Mass-Nantucket Field Station. Motions were made, seconded and passed unanimously.

A motion was made to donate \$300.00 to the Youth Hostel for the rental of their space for our meetings. It was seconded and passed.

In the absence of Chair Judi Stewart, President Quigley reported there was merchandise available with the Footprints Only campaign logo. Beach towels, signs and a brand new hat design.

Membership Chairman Pat Newton said her committee is looking into printing a Surfside Association directory. She announce two parties dates; one, July 22nd at the Quigley's for the President's Party; another September 3rd at Barbara Malcolm's for the Labor Day Party and asked for volunteers to host future parties. Pat said holding parties helps promote and increase membership.

In the absence of Nominating Chairman Jim Lowe, President Quigley presented the nomination slate for 2006-2007 year which will be voted on at the August continuation of our Annual Meeting. A motion was made , seconded and unanimously approved to accept these nominees.

Ned Fawcett announced the Second Annual Surfside Fishing Contest and three new contests for croquet, golf and bridge, assuming enough members show interest. Sign up sheets for each contest were provided or, optionally, members can call Pat Newton at 508-228-2897 to enroll.

Allen Reinhard reported that The One Big Beach Plan involving Rights of Way is moving forward slowly.

Rich Iocobucci of Hosteling International – Nantucket made a plea for additional funding for renovations. A motion was made to donate an additional \$1,000.00. it was seconded, and a discussion followed on the appropriateness of donation as opposed to making donations to other organizations. The motion was voted on and passed.

Ned Fawcett announced a project being organized by the Town Association, another member of the Nantucket Civic League, to have uniform numbering and identification for each residence island wide. A motion was made and seconded to donate \$250.00 towards the cost of a short television production tape describing this effort and to be run several times on the Plum TV cable channel. There was a discussion and the motion was approved and carried.

President Quigley recessed the meeting at 12:10 p.m. to be reconvened on Saturday, August 12th.

Respectfully submitted,

Fay Taft Fawcett, Secretary