

## Weekender

February 26, 2021

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#### SURFSIDE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION REGULAR BOARD MEETING SUMMARY

February 20, 2021

President Gary Williams called to order the Regular Board Meeting of the Surfside Homeowners Association at 9:00 am. Trustees present via Webex were Mark Scott, Ric Minich, Rudd Turner, James Clancy, Kurt Olds, Dan Neptun, Mariann Schweitzer, Tom Rogers

- Gary Williams safety message was on severe winter weather. Be mindful of downed powerlines during a storm, do not drive over or under active powerlines.
- The agenda for the February 20, 2021 regular board meeting was amended and approved.
- The minutes from the January 16, 2021 Regular Board Meeting were approved.
- Complaint #5599 This item was deferred until a determination is made on the "Perch Tree" federal restrictions and/or permits.
- Closed Session- The Trustees moved into closed session at 11:20 am to discuss legal matters. The board reconvened at 12:16 pm.
- Code of Civility- This item was approved to be added to the Annual meeting agenda in July.
- Proposed Lighting Covenant Change- This item was approved to be added to the Annual Meeting Agenda in July.
- 2021 Level III Reserve Study- The Reserve Study for 2021 prepared by Schwindt & Company was approved.
- Proposed campfire restrictions- The motion for this item failed, the proposal was not accepted.
- Multi-Dwelling Fee-This item is for members who own more than one residence in Surfside. Motion passed to keep the fee in place.
- CRC Joanne McMurphy was added to the Community Relations Committee.
- Appeal of fines Complaint #5295-Fines are reduced and will be held in abeyance for one (1) year. If any complaint comes in during that year, the fines will be reimposed.
- 10 Year Plan Schematics from Grey & Osborne-This proposal was approved.
- Proposal for NBW Tie-In- No motion was made on this item.
- Proposed Square Footage Reduction- No motion was made on this item.
- WMR & SELP bids- The bid from Ferguson was accepted for pipe and equipment at a cost of \$78,644.49 not including tax.
- Nominating Committee Valerie Harrison was approved as the 2021 Nominating Committee Chair.
- All Staff, committee & trustee reports were accepted.
- Meeting adjourned at 12:55 pm

#### It's Washington's Invasive Species Awareness Week!

Governor Jay Inslee, in partnership with the Washington Invasive Species Council, has proclaimed February 22 -28, 2021 as Invasive Species Awareness Week in Washington state.

"Invasive species threaten our economy, environment, recreation opportunities and can even harm our health," Inslee said. "I'm calling on everyone who loves this state we call home to become aware of invasive species and take steps to prevent the spread of the damaging plants and animals."

Surfside's Tree, Brush, Vegetation and Noxious Weeds Committee urges members to be on the lookout for, and eradicate, these common invasive species on your property:



Yellow Flag Iris: Invades wetlands, lakes and canals.

Gorse: Creates a serious fire hazard during dry seasons due to high concentrations of volatile oils in its branches. Very Similar in appearance to Scotch Broom, another invasive species, but with large spikes on branches.

Himalayan Blackberry: A highly invasive species and very difficult to control. It forms impenetrable thickets, spreads aggressively and has significant negative impacts to native plants, wildlife, recreation and livestock.

#### What you can do:

- Eradicate these species from your property. Plant only non-invasive native plants in your yard.
- 2. Clean your shoes and boots, trailers, or other gear before and after use: stop the invaders from hitching a ride to a new location.
- 3. Learn about noxious and invasive weeds and their control at:

www.invasivespecies.wa.gov

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# WEBSITE

"Look for something positive in every day, even if some days you have to look a little harder." - unknown

We are looking for ideas for our website. Changes, additions, deletions.

Please submit by March 19, 2021

Via email to: tlofstrom@surfsideonline.org

You may submit as many ideas as you like.

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То	All Surfside Members
	n or so for positions on the board. The election will be at the enual meeting in July.
are not involved in a committee and are i	gned a committee for which they are liaison. If you currently nterested in a position on the board, it's in your and the mem- to get involved in a committee right away.
There are 3 positions open for 20	021, Mark Scott, Rudd Turner and Gary Williams
	Committees include:
	ement, Fish   ර Waterways, Lands   ර Buildings, Water System Architectural Review Committee

Nominating Committee

Election Committee Chair, Ric Minich, is looking for members who would like to be on the Nominating Committee for the upcoming elections in 2021. A minimum of 3 members is needed for the committee. If you have questions or would like to volunteer contact Ric Minich at Rminich@surfsideonline.org with the subject—Nominating Committee

#### **Financial Report** by Rudd Turner, Trustee and Treasurer

This report reflects information and actions at the Board of Trustees meeting on February 20, 2021.

<u>Income:</u> Through the end of January, \$976,307 or 56.4% of member fees were received to fund the 2021 SHOA budget of \$1,731,737. This compares with 53.2% of budget received by the same date last year. Miscellaneous revenues were \$20,127 or 13.4% of the \$150,000 budget projection. Water hookups, property transfer fees, and past due fees were the largest misc. revenue items.

<u>Expenditures:</u> Operational expenditures for January were \$169,337 or 11.5% of budget. The new Sheriff's deputy contract was signed, effective January 1. A one time initial payment for computer, radar, and other equipment, plus the first quarterly payment for deputy salary, was made, total amount = \$31,698. Quarterly salary/benefits payments of \$21,088 will be made thereafter, plus reimbursements for vehicle fuel and maintenance. Water main breaks occurred, a financial software license fee was paid, reserve study and partial insurance were paid. These were budgeted expenses.

Budgeted Capital contributions of \$496,364 were made to reserve and checking accounts. Capital projects for 2021 include: Water Main Replacement (WMR), South End Loop Project (SELP), renovate the RV and compactor areas, complete several Improvements projects, and replace the Pow-R Mole. A replacement vehicle, F-350 pickup truck, was purchased in January. Total Capital expenditures = \$757,293. It is a big year for the Capital program. These are planned Capital Reserve expenditures, already paid through member fees.

The Level III Reserve Study was completed by Schwindt & Co. and approved by the Trustees at the February Board meeting. Insurance renewals are almost done and the audit of 2020 finances continues. A draft 5-Year Financial Strategic Plan is under review.

As a reminder, a late charge of 1% per month starts on March 1 for unpaid 2021 member fees. Payments can be spread out if needed. Contact the business office to ask about this.

## Just a few reminders

- Floor Comments-To send in floor comments for the board meetings send an email to KHoltermann@surfsideonline.org. Please have them submitted by 3pm on the Friday before the meeting so the trustees can review prior to the meeting. Board Meetings are on the 3rd Saturday of the month, excluding July & December. You can send comments in at any time for the trustees to review. To view the board meetings, visit our Facebook, Surfside Homeowners Association Members Only page and ask to join the group. If you have already done so you will not have to join again.
- Volunteers- we are in need of volunteers! Unfortunately we have lost several volunteers this year and need new members to step up and lend a hand to the community. We have a wide range of committees to choose from, so give us a call today!
- **Complaints** If you are submitting a complaint to the office the complaint form must be completely filled out, including your information; in order to be processed. Anonymous complaints are not processed. A separate form is needed if multiple complaints are addressed.
- **Deputy Patrol** We now have Deputy Tony Kimball on duty for Surfside. He is actively patrolling and has already stopped quite a few speeders. So make sure you watch you speed, 25mph on all roads, 35 mph heading north on I St, from the Mini -Mart on. Heading South on I St past the Mini-Mart is 25!
- **Compactor Passes** The 2021 compactor passes are given out after payment for the 2021 dues has been received, that includes those on the payment plan. You can come in to the office to pick it up or call ahead and we can set it out for after hours pick up, we do not mail them. If you have called ahead for one, please come pick it up!
- **Sheds** If you are purchasing a shed that is the 120 sq ft size make sure you are only getting the maximum height of 10 feet. Anything larger is required to be permitted by the county. If you have any questions just give us a call.
- Summer Office Hours will begin on March 15th , we will be open from 9-5, Monday—Friday.

## WATER DEPARTMENT NEWS AND UPDATES

#### Water Treatment

Surfside's water comes from 6 wells approximately 220 feet deep. Our well water contains about 6 parts per million of Total Organic Carbon (TOC), 0.38 parts per million of iron, and 0.081 parts per million of manganese.

Immediately after pumping, the water goes through 2 large carbon filters. Carbon filtration removes organics in the water that cause color, odor, and byproduct issues. Carbon filtration is currently removing about 50% of the organics in our water.

After carbon filtration the water is chlorinated to turn dissolved iron and manganese into undissolved iron and manganese so it can be filtered out. The water goes through a pyrolusite filter (ATEC) that removes about 80% of the iron and manganese in the water.

After chlorination and filtration, the water is dosed with Vita-D-Chlor to neutralize the chlorine and prevent byproducts forming in the reservoirs.

The water leaving the reservoirs is dosed with chlorine so that it has a chlorine residual (Free chlorine) to kill any bacteria that may enter the water system.

Vita-D-Chlor is ascorbic acid (vitamin C). Ascorbic acid is added to the



drinking water to neutralize most of the chlorine prior to storage. If you drink the recommended 3-4 liters of water per day, you will be getting about 5-6 mg of vitamin C per day. In comparison an orange has 51 mg of vitamin C. You would need to drink 3 liters of water for 10 days to ingest the equivalent of the vitamin C in ONE orange.

ONE ORANGE (51 mg vitamin C) = 8 GALLONS of Surfside water (51 mg vitamin C)

## WATER DEPARTMENT NEWS AND UPDATES

#### What Causes Water Main Breaks?

Below is a link to an easy to read article on common causes of breaks. <u>http://www.sehinc.com/news/heres-why-water-mains-break</u>

#### DID THE OLD PUMPS (BOOSTER PUMPS) CAUSE BREAKS?

In early 2018 new booster pumps were installed. The data does not show a clear trend and could be affected by many other factors, not just new pumps.

# of breaks with the old pumps 2011 – 11 breaks 2012 – 9 breaks 2013 – 5 breaks 2014 – 4 breaks 2016 – 7 break 2017 – 16 breaks

# of breaks with the new pumps 2018 – 2 breaks

2019 – 6 breaks

#### DO OLD WATER MAINS CAUSE BREAKS?

We have replaced water main since 2009 but the data above shows no clear improvement. Why? Multiple factors are likely affecting breaks. Although new pipe reduces the fragile pipe in the system, the old pipe is becoming more and more fragile every year and creating the potential for more breaks.

#### DOES THE WATER DEPT OR FIRE DEPT CAUSE BREAKS?

Opening and closing valves or hydrants can cause pressure surges strong enough to cause breaks. Opening and closing valves and hydrants very slowly reduces breaks.

#### DOES FLUSHING THE WATER MAINS CAUSE BREAKS?

If flushing caused breaks, we would see a rash of breaks during and after flushing, but this does not happen. Opening and closing valves very slowly reduces breaks.

#### DO BAD/FAULTY REPAIRS CAUSE MAIN BREAKS?

If faulty repairs caused main breaks, we would expect to see main breaks grouped up in the same locations. This has occurred at two locations (I St. and K Pl.) but is not typical.

#### SO, WHAT DO WE KNOW ABOUT MAIN BREAKS?

About 5 miles of our water mains are very fragile. We know this because not closing a valve or hydrant extremely slowly will cause a break. But temperature, weather, shifting soil, and heavy equipment can also cause breaks. Replacing fragile water main makes our water system less susceptible to breaks, whatever their cause.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT US: water@surfsideonline.org VISIT OUR WEBPAGE: surfsideonline.org/surfside-water-department/



## Exercise is a well known remedy to health and happiness! Free beginner pickleball lessons on request. Free group clinic for most skill levels on request. October thru March daily play at noon. April thru September daily play at 9 AM weather permitting.

Court open to the public. Call Frank Street for access to nets & instruction...509-590-5424

## Surfside Beach Paths

Ever wonder where all the beach paths in Surfside are? Here is a list of public paths for members to access so they are not going onto private property or trespassing.

306th Place– Veterans Park

311th Place 317th Place-located near the business office 330th Place 341st Place

**350th Place**– just across from the chipping site **357th Place**– last path at the north end of G Street

345th Place

You can find the paths by the path markers



- Please be mindful of the homes and properties bordering the paths, they are private property and trespassing is not allowed.
- Washington's Definition of Trespassing; Trespassing occurs if you are on someone else's private property without his or her permission, as well as staying on someone's property after he or she asks you to leave.
- Washington state trespassing charges are all misdemeanors or gross-misdemeanors, meaning they are punishable either by up to 90 days in jail and a \$1000 fine for a misdemeanor, or up to 1 year in jail and a \$5000 fine for a gross-misdemeanor.



New markers on the paths coming back from the beach

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Pacific County Emergency Notification System – Here is the link to Hyper-Reach:

https://secure.hyper-reach.com/comsignupw.jsp?id=40685

When filling in your municipality make sure to check **<u>Surfside</u>**, not Ocean Park or Long Beach– you will **not** receive the notification if Surfside is not used

Surfside will use this system to notify members of a water main break and boil water advisories. We also send a second notification advising that the boil water advisory has been lifted. Be sure to check Surfside for the area as we do not send them to the other locations. Also check the weather alert box to receive notifications regarding weather emergencies impacting the area.

Water Department

If you have a water emergency, during business hours please call the office at 360.665.4171.

The emergency line is for after business hours, 4pm—7:30 am; if you need to contact them after hours call 360.783.2426.

If they do not answer please leave your name and the address of your property. This will help them in locating the break. Most calls will not be answered as they are out in the field working to repair the line.

## Architectural Committee

Just a reminder if you are planning on installing a fence, a shed, a garage or building a house; ALL building plans must be submitted to the Architectural Committee prior to any construction. Pacific County will not approve permitting until the committee has signed off on all plans.



The committee meets weekly on Tuesdays at 9 a.m., dependent upon if there are items on the agenda. All applicants are encouraged to attend the

meeting (if possible) by phone or in person to answer any questions that may arise.

The building packets are on our website at <u>http://www.surfsideonline.org/payment-form/</u> or you can pick one up from the business office.

**Two (2) sets of plans must be submitted to the committee.** Once approved, you will get 2 copies of the plans that have been stamped so you can take them to the county for their approval.

For more detailed information on the Architectural Committee duties and guidelines you can find them on our website <u>www.surfsideonline.org</u>, under the governance tab you'll see Surfside Restrictive Covenants link.

or call the business office 360-665-4171 with any questions.

#### Dear Surfside Members,

Thank you for your donation to the Ocean Park Food Bank at the collection barrel located in the Surfside Office. Food Bank volunteers monitor the barrel and insure that your donations get to the Food Bank.

The Ocean Park Food Bank is feeding more and more of your neighbors and your donations are both critical and greatly appreciated.

Again, thank you for helping our neighbors who are less fortunate!

You can return the sign up form to the Surfside Business office or the Ocean Park Food Bank

Many hands make lighter work ~ John Heywood



A Simple Gesture

#### Name

Street Address (food pick-up)

Mailing Address (if different or P.O. Box)

Town

Zip

Email

Phone

YES, I want to share food with my neighbors. Please deliver a cool, green bag.

- YES, I want to be a neighborhood volunteer and help sign up my neighbors and friends.
- YES, I want to help pick up the bags every two months and deliver to food pantries.

# February 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 ARC 9 CRC 1pm	3	4	5 Tree 1pm	6
7	8	9 ARC 9	10	11 L & B 9 WSP 10	12	13
14	15 PRESIDENTS DAY Office closed	16 ARC 9	17	18	19	20 Board Meeting 9
21	22	23 ARC 9 EMC 1pm	24	25	26 F & W 1 pm	27
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\*ARC=Architectural \*EMC= Emergency Mgmt \*F & W= Fish & Waterway \*L & B= Land & Buildings WSP= Water System Planning \*CRC=Community Relations

# March 2021

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