



# Weekender

September 24, 2021

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Wondering what's going on down on H Street?

The PUD #2 is upgrading the power lines along H Street. There have been numerous power outages affecting H Street and neighboring streets as well throughout the year. All new underground wiring is being installed.

Thank you PUD for taking care of this issue before winter rolls in.

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**Now is the time to winterize.** You can start with inspecting your trees for any dead branches, disease or overgrowth. When snow falls, trees become heavy quickly and can cause branches to snap and dead trees to fall. Dead branches can also become a hazard during wind storms.

An easily forgotten area of the home is the roof. Check and replace loose or broken shingles and inspect the gutters and chimneys. If your gutters have long term build up this is a great opportunity to clean them and install gutter guards.

Checking windows and doors inside and outside the home is important for keeping out the drafts, snow and pests. This will also help with heating costs.

Mulching leaves is one of the least enjoyable jobs that homeowners are faced with. You can use your lawnmower to mulch the leaves. Most deciduous trees leaves contain around 2% nitrogen, which is the most important nutrient for your lawn. This means mulching leaves will create a natural fertilizer for your lawn over the winter.

A lot of work goes into winterizing your home and that's why its important to start early. Get these tasks done before the cold weather hits and you'll have more time to start working on the inside of your home. Don't forget to tune up your heater, turn off watering systems and test your smoke detectors.

Source: [www.dreamlandsdesign.com](http://www.dreamlandsdesign.com)

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**SURFSIDE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING SUMMARY  
September 18, 2021**

President Ric Minich called to order the September 18, 2021 Regular Board Meeting of the Surfside Homeowners Association at 9:05 am.

**Trustees present:** Ric Minich, Larry Raymer, Kurt Olds, Mariann Schweitzer, Dan Neptun, John Curran, Cori Harms and Ronda Christoph. Tom Rogers attended from home via zoom.

**Staff:** Tracy Lofstrom, Kimber Holtermann, Gil Gonzalez, Cyndi Sayce

**Safety Message-** Shell Fishing Safety; dress warmly, watch out for sneaker waves, make sure to check for advisories prior to harvesting.

**Agenda-** The agenda for the September 18, 2021 Regular Board Meeting was approved.

**Minutes Approval-** The minutes from the August 21, 2021 Regular Board Meeting were approved as amended.

**Tree Moratorium discussion-** motion to initiate a tree moratorium for one or until the results of the AD-HOC Tree Plus committee study results come back. A moratorium meaning no fines and stop all pro-active tree complaints. Motion failed to pass with a 2/3 majority vote.

**Pacific County Sheriff** – A motion passed to not renew the contract with Pacific County Sheriff's Office for Patrol in Surfside for 2022.

**Board Secretary duties-** discussion item withdrawn

**Complaint #5599-** There was discussion on helping defer the cost of bringing the tree into compliance, no motions were made.

**Member request Bylaw change-** There was discussion, no motions were made. Item was tabled to the October Meeting.

**2022 Budget Report-** Update on the budget for 2022, there are 2 more budget meeting scheduled for September & October.

**Covenant change short-term rentals** – Motion passed to remove the language that short term rentals are available in designated areas of Surfside. Change to reflect that no short-term rentals are allowed in Surfside, and all rentals are a minimum of 30 days. *This item to be sent out in October for the November meeting.*

**Covenant change** - adding gazebo, greenhouses and pergolas to the covenants. Motion passed to add as items 4.13 & 4.14. *This item to be sent out in October for the November meeting.*

**Definition of "Structure"** - Motion passed to accept the definition of structure and add it to the definitions section of the covenants as 1.19. *This item to be sent out in October for the November meeting.*

**Shed height covenant change-** motion passed to change the language regarding the measurement of sheds; shed height shall be measured from the exterior base to the peak of the roof. Pier blocks and or skids when used shall be no more than 12". *This item to be sent out in October for the November meeting.*

**Member List-** motion withdrawn-member information to be given out is property address and mailing address. Emails and phone numbers are private and will not be given out, per Operations manual.

**AD-HOC Tree Plus Committee** – There will be a committee meeting on October 2<sup>nd</sup>, more information on location and time will be posted in the weekender and website once that is established.

**Agenda Items-** Motion to set criteria for motions was passed. All business for the board meetings must be received 6 days prior to the meeting as per the Ops manual.

**Social Media-** Be aware that folks on social media are probably giving out misinformation, so go to the source for your questions. If you are asking people who don't live in Surfside about our HOA, you will not get the most accurate information. Members can email directly to board trustees so they shouldn't seek information from a social media site from people that aren't members or trustees.

**Bench at Deer Lake-** There was a discussion on the placement of the bench. The Lands & Buildings Committee did not feel it was appropriate to only honor one-member of the association without honoring all volunteers; the recommendation is to have the bench placed on the members own property and not Surfside owned property. No motions were made.

All staff, trustee and committee reports were accepted

Motion was made to move into closed session to discuss legal and employee matters. 2:50 pm

4:00 pm reconvene from closed session

Motion passed to increase Kimber Holtermann's hours from 32 to 40 per week and Maureen Gilberts hours from 30-32 per week beginning in January 2022.

Motion passed for a 5% increase of wages and COLA in 2022. for all staff.

**Meeting adjourned at 4:07**

## **“Accentuate the Positive, Eliminate the Negative”**

### **The September 24<sup>th</sup> Ad Hoc Committee Report**

When is a rejection a stroke of good luck? Let me tell you. Two weeks ago, Friday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, Washington State Conservation Commission notified Surfside that they were unable to support us as a project to study and facilitate a solution for the current environmental concerns, natural and developed, with the first, but certainly not only, tree heights.

The following Monday, the search began for a non-resident of Surfside to lead the ad hoc committee through addressing, perhaps solving all the current issues facing Surfside Estates as we have passed the first fifth of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. In a cursory search, we contacted the Long Beach Peninsula resident with incredible experience who was considered a first choice but feared his expertise would be too expensive, Kelly Rupp. Mr. Rupp was contacted and agreed to meet with three Trustees, a Committee Chairperson, and myself, Friday morning, September 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM. His business card list him as “Lead to Results, LLC” and apparently he is very good at what he does. He is a retired consultant who has lived on the peninsula for about twenty years. He has volunteered to help Surfside HOA through the initial problem of tree heights but just as importantly looking forward to all the major issues of the whole environment of our community. He is currently working as a volunteer with the Ocean Beach School District to secure a new bond for 2022 and the North Willapa Bay Right of Way Restoration which involves the State of Washington, Pacific County, the Quinault Indian Reservation, environmentalist, and others, also as a volunteer.

At that Friday morning, five of us met to discuss all the issues facing Surfside Estates which include but are not limited to tree and weed management, riparian zone protection, flood control, drainage, fire control, and several other issues. Tree height is the immediate issue but not really the most significant. While everyone spoke of concerns, Kelly suggested that fact gathering is not only imperative, but it should also be the very first order of business. He suggested that as a community, we should all gather together to express our specific concerns to include a priority of which we believe those concerns relate to us as members. Based on that, the date of October 2<sup>nd</sup> was established for everyone to gather to express their opinion.

**Mark your calendar, please for 10:00 AM, Saturday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> at a location on the Peninsula yet to be determined. The meeting will be hosted by Mr. Kelly Rupp. Every member of Surfside is invited to meet and discuss with other members concerns perhaps, perhaps set in priorities. Everyone will be heard. Expressions of what is important may also be spoken, such as the all-volunteer, self-sustaining chipper site. If you cannot attend that weekend, written submittals will also be accepted. While open to every member, it is our intent to personally invite those who have posted comments on social media, those who have responded by letter or e-mail to express floor comments for both the August and September BOT Meetings. You must identify yourself either at the door or in your correspondence. Anonymous is not welcome and will not be heard. Attendance at the meeting should give everyone the confidence that Mr. Kelly Rupp really knows what he is doing, from horticulture to mediation. He has already impressed by suggesting ideas not considered by any of us previously. PLEASE PLAN to ATTEND!**

The ad hoc committee has yet to be selected. As of this date there are thirteen people who have expressed interest in becoming a member of the committee. **Friday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at close of business is the final day to submit by e-mail or delivered to the office your interest or desire to be a member of the committee. Participation could be the most important thing you do for SURFSIDE.**

Ric Minich, President  
Surfside HOA

**ALL STATE MANDATES REGARDING THE COVID-19 VIRUS WILL BE IN PLACE.  
ALL ATTENDING WILL BE REQUIRED TO WEAR A MASK DURING THIS MEETING.**

## Ocean Park Pickleball

Free with all the equipment, 10 AM daily weather permitting, wear tennis shoes and we will teach you how to play. Located across the street from the Ocean Park Elementary School. Social exercise and lots of fun. Fastest growing sport in the world thanks to seniors!



“Good neighbors make great neighborhoods”

Establish the mindset of a good neighbor with these 5 pillars for building great neighborhoods

### The Good Neighbor Mindset

#### Connection

—Introduce yourself and connect with others in your neighborhood. Its simply starts by saying “hello”

#### Invitation

—Invite neighbors to join you for a meal or something fun. Gather around a table because the Latin word “communitas” means spirit of community and its measure by the number of meals shared together.

#### Celebration

—When it comes to birthdays, anniversaries, or milestone moments in the lives of others, cheer them on and don’t miss out on congratulating them.

#### Awareness

—Keep your eyes and ears open. Stay attentive to the safety and security of the people and homes nearby. We are safer and stronger together.

#### Availability

—Availability is the highest benefit of good neighbors who truly care and look out for one another. When needed, show up to help and support others living around you.

Source: [www.goodneighborday.com](http://www.goodneighborday.com)

## CODE OF CIVILITY

This Code of Civility is adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Surfside Homeowners Association (SHOA) as a rule and regulation applicable to the Surfside Homeowners Association and all of its members.

It is a violation of the Surfside Homeowners Association for any person to treat SHOA board members, officers, employees, volunteers or other representatives in a manner that is reasonably perceived as hostile or abusive.

For purposes of this Code of Civility, hostile and/or abusive behavior includes, but is not limited to: (1) the use of obscenities, vulgarities, bullying, or harassment of any kind; (2) any behavior which reasonably intimidates or alarms another person or any behavior that could reasonably be perceived to be the cause of another person's distress or discomfort, whether said behavior is in person, in writing, over the phone, internet, including social media, or non-verbally as in hand gestures, body language or sign language.

For purposes of this Code of Civility, reasonableness shall be determined from the perspective of an ordinary prudent person under the same or similar circumstances.

All such behavior described above is considered unacceptable.

1. The first offense will result in a written warning from the SHOA Business Manager.
2. A second offense will result in a meeting with a SHOA Board of Trustee (BOT) member for conflict resolution.
3. A third offense will result in a fine in the amount of \$200. If none of the foregoing actions resolve the conflict, the SHOA or the BOT may take administrative or legal action and shall be entitled to an award of all the fees and costs incurred by the SHOA, including attorneys' fees, which may be imposed on the offending party as an assessment and collected and enforced under the provisions governing assessments in the SHOA's governing documents, including, but not limited to, obtaining a lien against said party's property and membership in the SHOA.

## Correspondence to the Board

If you are wanting to send correspondence to a trustee or to the entire board just send the email to [Kholtermann@surfsideonline.org](mailto:Kholtermann@surfsideonline.org). or to [Office@surfsideonline.org](mailto:Office@surfsideonline.org) . All incoming correspondence is logged by Kimber, then forwarded on to the trustees. You can also email the trustee directly, all trustee emails are listed on the website under the Board of Trustees tab. Just go to [www.surfsideonline.org](http://www.surfsideonline.org) and click that tab.

If you would rather send a letter via snail mail, the process is the same. You can put Attn: Kimber so that it goes directly to her to be logged into the system. The letter will be scanned and sent to the trustees via email.

During a board meeting all correspondence received is given a log sheet for each trustee to sign off on showing they read the correspondence.

Any replies will come from the business manager at the direction of the board during their meeting.

If you have any questions please give Kimber a call 360-665-4171 ext. 223



## Soil Erosion and Riparian Zones: Helping Mother Nature

BY: **Surfside's Tree, Brush, Vegetation and Noxious Weeds Committee**

**What is Soil Erosion?** Soil, or all the complex dirt and sand beneath our feet to bedrock, supports plant and animal life and the human communities built on it. When soil is disturbed, by humans or Mother Nature's activity, it can erode or move from one location to another. Erosion can come from rain, irrigation, wind or human activity. If left unchecked, erosion can strip valuable, productive soil away causing water pollution, leaving unproductive sub surfaces, elimination of wildlife and fish habitat. Erosion can lead to increased flooding, block draining ditches, and harm fisheries.

**How do Riparian Zones help?** Riparian zones are vegetation areas along streams, lakes and canals. They stabilize streambanks, provide habitat and food for birds and fish, and cool adjacent waterways. They are also Nature's filters for overland pollutants like lawn chemicals, fertilizers and pesticides, keeping adjacent waterways clean. They also help purify groundwater. Surfside canals are subject to blue-green algae blooms. Dense ground vegetation helps filter pollutants such as septic effluent that contribute to these blooms.



**Are there rules to control erosion and protect Riparian Areas?**

Yes. Critical Area Resource Lands (CARL) #180 is a Pacific County ordinance. It requires protection of riparian areas and discourages certain land-use activities that cause erosion, such as clearing within 25 feet along stream or canals. Surfside has several exemptions related to CARL to allow for vegetation management in these zones. Ordinance No. 180 can be viewed at:

<http://www.co.pacific.wa.us/ordres/Ord%20180.pdf>

**How do I control erosion and manage Riparian Zones on my property?** The most important thing to remember is to replant disturbed soil areas and maintain dense vegetation along a riparian zone. Trees can be maintained a covenant height while allowing for abundant understory vegetation to control erosion and maintain a riparian zone. Planting native grasses, bushes and shrubs along the water way helps prevent water pollution and control soil erosion while providing habitat, shade and food for birds, animals and fish.

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**Need More Information?** Contact Surfside Office, (360) 665-4171 or

Pacific County DCD Long Beach Office, 360-642-9382

# INFORMATION

## Important

### Fishing and Boating On Surfside Waters.

Our waterways are privately owned fishing waters and are for Surfside HOA MEMBERS ONLY and their guests accompanied by a member.

Fishing is closed to everyone March, April, and May.

Limit 8 fish per day not to exceed 16 a week. Catch and release is not a requirement but in support of a healthy and sustainable fish population, BE A SPORT, SUPPORT CATCH AND RELEASE.

Boating is restricted to human powered boats only. Absolutely NO ELECTRIC OR GAS MOTORS. Please follow USCG SAFETY REGULATIONS.

#### Note:

If the fish don't need it don't throw it in the water..

#### Note:

Pick up your trash and take it with you. Keep pets on a leash.

#### Note:

Be safe and enjoy your day on the water. Keep loved ones in sight at all times..





# Life Flight



## Overview

Life Flight Network, a nonprofit air medical transport service, has helicopter, fixed-wing, and ground ambulance bases throughout Oregon, Washington, Idaho, and Montana. Life Flight Network has administrative offices in Aurora, Oregon, and employs over 700 people.

We provide ICU-level care and life-saving transport to seriously ill or injured patients from the scene of an emergency or from one hospital to another.

- Scene locations can be remote and hard or time-consuming to get to by ground.
- Transferring patients from one hospital to another allows patients to receive the specialized care they need if it is not available locally.
- Life Flight Network is an integral part of local emergency medical systems. Providing air and ground ambulances with highly skilled personnel, undoubtedly saves lives and improves outcomes.

## Membership Options

**Air Only**—• No out-of-pocket expenses for medically necessary emergent flights if flown by Life Flight Network. Life Flight Network works directly with your insurance company (if any) for their portion of the payment and the rest of the cost is covered by your Membership.

- Covers you, your spouse or domestic partner, and dependents you claim on your income tax return. Elderly and disabled family members living in the same household can also be covered.
- Life Flight Network Memberships are not an insurance policy but secondary to insurance carriers.

**Air & Ground Combination**- • Life Flight Network manages a number of FireMed programs in the state of Oregon; programs include: Baker City, Black Butte, Eugene Springfield, Hood River, Jefferson, La Grande, La Pine, Lane Fire Authority, Lebanon, McMinnville, Molalla, Pendleton, Rager, Redmond, Sisters, Southern Wasco County, Sunriver, The Dalles, Umatilla County Fire District #1, Umatilla Tribal, and Wallowa.

- FireMed ground only (basic) covers you and your household in over 64,500 square miles of Oregon. FireMed and Air (plus) includes basic services and air medical transport coverage by Life Flight Network and reciprocal programs.

For more details visit [www.lifeflight.org](http://www.lifeflight.org) or call 1-800-982-9299



## Clam Dig Schedule

Below are the tentative dates for this year's razor clam digs, along with low tides and beaches. Most successful digging occurs between one and two hours before the listed time of low tide.

### A.M. TIDES ONLY:

Sept. 17, Friday, 4:30 A.M.; -0.4 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Mocrocks  
Sept. 18, Saturday, 5:22 A.M.; -0.5 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Copalis  
Sept. 19, Sunday, 6:06 A.M.; -0.6 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Mocrocks  
Sept. 20, Monday, 6:45 A.M.; -0.5 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Copalis  
Sept. 21, Tuesday, 7:21 A.M.; -0.2 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Mocrocks  
Sept. 22, Wednesday, 7:54 A.M.; +0.3 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Copalis

### P.M. TIDES ONLY:

Sept. 23, Thursday, 8:58 P.M.; +0.3 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Mocrocks  
Sept. 24, Friday, 9:36 P.M.; +0.4 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Copalis  
Sept. 25, Saturday, 10:15 P.M.; 0.5 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Mocrocks

## October Tentative Schedule

### A.M. TIDES ONLY:

Oct. 3, Sunday, 4:52 A.M.; 0.2 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Copalis  
Oct. 4, Monday, 5:33 A.M.; 0.0 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Mocrocks  
Oct. 5, Tuesday, 6:12 A.M.; -0.1 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Copalis

### P.M. TIDES ONLY:

Oct. 6, Wednesday, 7:20 P.M.; -0.3 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Mocrocks  
Oct. 7, Thursday, 8:04 P.M.; -0.8 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Copalis  
Oct. 8, Friday, 8:50 P.M.; -1.1 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Mocrocks  
Oct. 9, Saturday, 9:38 P.M.; -1.1 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Copalis  
Oct. 10, Sunday, 10:32 P.M.; -0.8 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Mocrocks  
Oct. 11, Monday, 11:32 P.M.; -0.4 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Copalis

# 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 -315th Place

317th Place-located near the business office

331st Place

341st Place

345th Place

350th Place– just across from the chipping site

357th Place– last path at the north end of G Street

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



## 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 <http://www.surfsideonline.org/payment-form/> or you can pick one up from the business office. Applications must be received by end of day on Thursdays to make the agenda for the following Tuesday's meeting.

**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 [www.surfsideonline.org](http://www.surfsideonline.org), under the governance tab you'll see Surfside Restrictive Covenants link.

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



# September 2021

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			1	2	3 Tree 1pm	4 Tsunami Run 9am
5	6 Labor Day Ofc Closed	7 ARC 9am CRC 1pm	8 Budget 10am <b>Last day chipper</b>	9 L & B 9am WSP 10am	10	11
12	13	14 ARC 9am	15	16	17	18 Board Mtg 9 Via Zoom
19	20	21 ARC 9am	22 Budget 10 am	23	24 F & W 1pm	25
26	27	28 ARC 9am EMC 1pm	29	30		

## LEGEND -

\*ARC=Architectoral \*EMC= Emergency Mgmt \*F & W= Fish & Waterway \*L & B= Land & Buildings  
WSP= Water System Planning \*CRC=Community Relations

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