



# Weekender

July 2, 2021

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Homeowners  
Association  
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## Annual Meeting—July 10, 2021

The Surfside Homeowners Association will hold its Annual Meeting on July 10th. The meeting will take place in the Ocean Park School Gymnasium. Doors open at 8:00 am to 9:45 am for registration.

The meeting will be held in person for both the Trustees and membership. Masks will be required if social distancing isn't possible (i.e. too many people attending). There will be no streaming or video, the meeting is open to all members.

If you have any questions please contact our Business Manager, Tracy Lofstrom at 360-665-4171 ext 222

## 2021 Annual Members Picnic

Will be held at the business office following the close of the Annual Members Meeting.

There will be hot dogs, sausages and burgers; we will provide chips, drinks, cake and cookies. Come down and say hello to your new board members and meet your neighbors and fellow members.

There will be no potluck this year for safety.

Thank you to our Community Relations Committee and a special Thank you to Louise Purdin for doing all the shopping.

See you July 10th!

A member contributed article follows:

Homeowners Associations characteristically require election of a Board of Directors or Trustees who are themselves community members. That is true of Surfside.

Given that fact, it is to be expected that the HOA seeks to serve the owner's best interests. The Board and non-Board members are not on opposing sides but should seek to work together.

Surfside Bylaws and Covenants grant sole authority to add, revise, or eliminate covenants to the Board of Trustees. This is not at all common in HOAs, and many members, probably most, would like to see this dynamic made more inclusive.

Our Bylaws have one provision that would need to be revised to allow for a requirement of member approval for such changes. Members have the written authority to change Bylaws, independently of the Board.

If members vote to change Article VI, Sec. 7, covenant 9.2 would require the Board's action to revise it to require a member vote of approval/disapproval. The covenant must be made consistent with the bylaw.

This is most of the letter we sent to the Board May 5<sup>th</sup>. Since the Bylaw allows for a member vote by proxy, we decided to have the revision state that covenant reviews should take place at Annual Meetings and ballots sent along with the election packet.

The proposal was presented to the Board on May 15<sup>th</sup> as a formality, and the attorney advised the Board to approve the proposal as an agenda item, and balloted decision. Instead, the Board voted 5 to 3 to block our legal member motion. We will continue to pursue this in the coming months.

Submitted by Steve Cox

## Compliance Update

\*\*\*\*\*Please be advised\*\*\*\*\*

We will be starting our new routine compliance routes. The HOA has been divided up into 10 Sections, which contain the Surfside Divisions. The route was randomly drawn and will be done in the following order:

- Section 2 – Ocean Woods & Division 16
- Section 8 – Ocean Crest, Division 11 & 12 and Sunny Slopes
- Section 5 – Divisions 4, 5 & 6 and Surfview
- Section 7 – Divisions 9 & 10
- Section 4 – Divisions 7 & 8 and Division 13
- Section 3 – Divisions 1, 2 & 3
- Section 6 – Divisions 14 & 15
- Section 1 – Sea Dunes, Ocean Villa (also Replat of OV) and Beach Addition
- Section 9 – Division 17
- Section 10 – Divisions 18, 19 & 20

## **Get to Know Your Candidates, Be an Informed Voter! (Next to Last Edition)**

When you read this article there will be seven days and a “wake up” until the Annual Members meeting and the vote that will determine nearly half the members of the Board of Trustees. As fairly and thoroughly as possible Surfside HOA has attempted to inform you of the qualifications, statements, and desire of the seven candidates to become Trustees both in the Weekender and the Surf-N-Sider. At the June Board of Trustee Meeting a total of seventeen questions (all seventeen questions to all seven candidates) and a statement from each of the candidates at the end of the session to either clarify their answers or to subjectively describe any area that was not raised by the questions asked. The question and answer plus statement session was both recorded and minutes taken to be made available to any owner desiring to hear, read, or both the session. In that regard there has not been a great deal of activity. Please let me urge you, if you have not already voted and are still unsure of whom to vote, please take this opportunity to use this resource to help in your decision. It is so very important, because your vote counts.

Ric Minich, Trustee of Surfside HOA BOT  
Election Committee Chairman  
E-mail: [rminich@surfsideonline.org](mailto:rminich@surfsideonline.org)

**The Interview questions and answers are on the webpage at [surfsideonline.org](http://surfsideonline.org) on the Home page with the heading June Board Meeting, 6-19-2021. The recording for the June 19, 2021 Board Meeting is there also, so you can listen and/or read the questions and answers from the Candidates.**

### **Compactor Attendant Needed:**

We are looking to add another compactor attendant. The number of full-time members has increased, and more people are spending time at their Surfside property, in general. Every month so far in 2021 has had 400-500 more cars/walkers than in 2020, except one month. There is a need to have two attendants on duty most days of the week and especially holiday weekends. Most likely close to 20 hrs./week (we would consider two people at 10 hrs. each). If you are interested, please contact the business office for an application.

# COMMUNITY BEACH CLEANUP

**VOLUNTEER  
AT ANY  
MAJOR BEACH  
APPROACH**

**9:30  
JULY 5<sup>TH</sup>  
2021**

**A GRASSROOTS GARBAGE GANG EVENT**



**JOIN@OURBEACH.ORG  
OURBEACH.ORG**





# PACIFIC COUNTY

## TIRE AMNESTY EVENT

# FREE!

# TIRE DROP-OFF

## SATURDAY

## August 21st, 2021

### Drop-off Location:

### Pacific County Shop

318 NE. 2nd Street, Long Beach / West of Humane Society

### 9:00 am — 3:00 pm

*Keeping Pacific County Beautiful!*

This Event is completely

# FREE!

No fees will be charged.



- Must be a Pacific County Resident
- No tires from commercial businesses
- No tractor/farm/large truck tires
- Motorcycle, passenger vehicle, and light truck tires only
- You must unload your own tires
- Tires with rims okay!
- Over 15 tires must get pre-approval. Contact Travis Ostgaard Code Enforcement Officer.

  
**Pacific County**  
 DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

For more information, residents should contact Pacific County DCD at 360.642.9382 or our website at: [www.co.pacific.wa.us](http://www.co.pacific.wa.us)

Sponsored by:



# ***Oysterville Artisan Fair!***

**Fri-Sun, July 2, 3 & 4**

**10:00 to 4:00**

**Historic Oysterville Schoolhouse yard**

Music, 13 different vendors, and food

All donations will go to the Ilwaco High School Band



## **Featuring Peninsula Artists:**

pottery, garden art, metal art, miniatures, dolls, fiber art, glass art, jewelry, paintings, framed prints, cards, stained glass, handmade soaps & bath products, art t-shirts, windchimes, woodcarvings, & more.

Hot dogs and baked goods, etc.

**Come join the fun!**

3322 School Rd.  
Oysterville, WA



### **Proposed Lighting Change 2021**

2.17 Lighting and Exterior Signs-Except as otherwise specified in Section 2.17, ALL exterior lighting, including but not limited to, parking lot lighting and lighted signs, must be designed and installed with bulbs shielded and the fixtures aimed downward so that the bulb or other source of the lighting is not visible beyond the property line of the parcel upon which the lighting is located. In addition, motion sensor flood lights must turn off within 10 minutes after coming on and be aimed so they do not cast across the owners property line. Exceptions to this requirement are as follows:

2.17 a. Holiday and similar low wattage lighting may be displayed on a parcel provided it does not cause a nuisance or unreasonably interfere with use of any other property.

2.17 b. Safety and emergency lighting required by Federal, State or Local law is permitted so long as such lighting complies with the requirements of Section 2.17 to maximum feasible extent consistent with applicable law.

2.17 c. Existing lighting sources which do not comply with Section 2.17 must be brought into conformance within six (6) months of a complaint being validated or upon transfer of the property.

2.17 d. The board may adopt rules and procedures to implement this section.

### **CURRENT LIGHTING COVENANT**

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2.17a Holiday and similar low wattage decorative lighting may be displayed on a parcel so long as it does not cause a nuisance or unreasonably interfere with use on any other property.

2.17b Safety and emergency lighting required by federal, state or local law is permitted so long as such lighting complies with the requirements of this Section 2.17 to the maximum feasible extent consistent with applicable law.

2.17c Existing sources of lighting which do not comply with the provisions of this Section 2.17 must be brought into conformance with the Surfside Covenants amended 8-18-18.doc 9 provisions of this section upon the earlier to occur of substantial repair, modification or reconstruction of that lighting or sale of the property upon which the lighting is located.

*The covenant change will be discussed at the Annual Members Meeting on July 10th and will be voted on by the Board Trustees at the August Regular Board Meeting.*

## SURFSIDE'S ANNUAL FISHING DERBY

### SATURDAY July 3, 2021



8:30 A.M. – 12 P.M.



Event will take place rain or shine

- Open to children ages 12 and under who are related to or guests of Surfside members.
- **Register at Surfside office Saturday morning between 8:30 am to 11:00 am to be eligible for cash and raffle prizes.**
- Additional information about the Derby will be available at the Surfside Office 2 weeks prior to the Derby, as well as on Derby Day.
- Fish from 8:30 am until 11:30 am on or near one of the 6 pedestrian bridges or from the bank behind the Surfside office. Please remember to respect private property.
- No fishing license required!
- Limit of 8 fish per child – do not clean the fish before measure-in.
- Measure fish any time between 9:00 am until 12:00 pm from the Surfside Office. Remember to be in the registration line by 12:00 pm to qualify for division prizes. **Don't forget to turn in your registration card even if no fish are caught! You may still win a prize during the raffle.**
- There will be three cash prize winners in each division (age group) for the longest fish. Ties will be broken by weight. Limit of one award per registrant.
  - Division I: Ages 5 and under
  - Division II: 6-8 years
  - Division III: 9-12 years

Hot dogs, chips, cookies, and drinks will be provided from 11 am until food is gone at the Surfside Office.

#### FISHING RULES:

We want to make sure that the kids have a great experience! To help make this happen and to ensure the safety of all, please obey the following Surfside Fishing Derby Rules:

- No activities that might result in somebody's injury, including running on bridges, rough-housing, etc.
- Help others who may not know how to fish.
- Obey the requests from Surfside Officials. They are there to help ensure your safety.
- **The use of corn is strictly prohibited – it kills the fish.**
- All fish must be caught during the Derby hours of 8:30-11:30. **R e t u r n** any carp to the canal.
- Adults are encouraged to help their child fish, but the child must be present at all times.
- No adult fishing until the Derby is over.
- For questions during the Derby, ask an official at the bridge or the Surfside Office. They're here to help you even if you've been in the derby or fished before.

*Volunteer to help at the Derby! Call DuWayne Mott at (360) 665-0558 or contact the Surfside office.*



## Surfside's Firewise Chipping Site (35000 G Street) Information

The chipping site had a busy, but orderly, opening on Saturday, May 29th, managed by Surfside volunteer members. It is now available for use by Surfside members in good standing to drop off brush and tree limbs (under six inches in diameter).

The chipping site will remain **open for 29 days** on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., through Wednesday, September 8<sup>th</sup>.

The chipping site will be **closed** for one day, Wednesday, July 7<sup>th</sup> to allow for mid-season cleanup and grinding/chipping of the brush accumulated up to that point.

### Some basic rules for accessing the Firewise Chipping Site:

Upon entering the chipping site, members must display their compactor passes (the same pass used to access the garbage drop off site just off 324<sup>th</sup> St) to access the chipping site. If a contractor is removing yard waste for a Surfside member, the contractor must provide the member's name/address to access the chipping site.

Everyone using the chipping site must sign in on the clipboard provided by the site volunteers, indicating their name, address, the number of hours dedicated to brush removal/tree trimming, and the number of loads of material dropped off that day.

Costs of operating the chipping site are partially offset by members'/contractors' donations to the Surfside Firewise Chipping Site Program. You will be offered an opportunity to make a donation to help offset the costs of fencing, signage, and chipper/grinder rental costs and labor.

You may not drop off any noxious weeds/invasive species at the chipping site. The volunteers can show you pictures of some prohibited items. Basically, anything that is declared a noxious weed by WA State or regionally by Pacific County officials must be disposed of at the Pacific County waste transfer station near Long Beach on Sandridge Rd. Some of these items have common names like: gorse, Scotchbroom, tansy ragwort, knotweed, Himalayan blackberry vines, etc.

Some materials are not authorized for drop off at the chipping site. These items include any dimensional lumber pieces/scraps, grass clippings, tree stumps, brush or tree root masses, or any tree/brush limbs larger than six inches in diameter. This is a new prohibition this year! If you have tree limbs larger than six inches in diameter, you have several choices: cut them into firewood-sized pieces and offer them for free from the front of your property, or haul them to the Pacific County waste transfer station near Long Beach on Sandridge Rd.

Please do not drop off any items outside of the fence line after hours, when no volunteers are present. We're providing 29 days for members to drop off their brush and tree trimmings. Find an open time to make it work. Thank you!

June 23, 2021

## Financial Report

by Rudd Turner, Trustee and Treasurer

This report reflects information and actions at the SHOA Board of Trustees meeting on June 19, 2021.

**Income:** From January 1 through May 31, \$1,642,747 or 94.9% of member fees were received to fund the 2021 SHOA budget of \$1,731,737. This compares with 92.0% of budget received by the same date in 2020. Miscellaneous revenues were \$87,774 or 58.5% of the \$150,000 budget projection. Water hookups, property transfer fees, and past due fees are the latest misc. revenue items.

**Expenditures:** Operational expenditures were \$716,586 or 48.7% of budget. For the Capital program, Water Main Replacement (WMR) has expended \$83,664 or 50.0% of its budgeted amount. Ongoing pipe replacement going north along I Street should reach Oysterville Road by the end of June. South End Loop Project (SELP) construction will begin after this goal is reached.

RV/compactor site renovation is getting underway and the 10-year update of the Water System Plan is ongoing. A venturi has been installed in the water line near the well field to aerate water going into the Carbon Filtration Plant. This is per recommendation from a pilot study conducted by Gray & Osborne. The intent is to increase the life of Carbon filter media and reduce operational costs.

**Bank Balances** (Reconciled): As of May 31, Operational account balances were \$877,147. Capital Reserve account balances were \$1,460,464 and WMR balance was \$126,864. Charitable contributions accounts held \$8,281. Total funds in bank accounts = \$2,472,755. The Association's finances continue to be strong.

**Audit:** The draft audit report by Newman HOA CPA has been received and reviewed. This is the first year using Newman as our auditor. It is a "clean" report regarding completeness and fairness of SHOA's financial statements and position. This is good news! The final report is expected by June 30.

# 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



## ***Defensible Space: Preparing Your Home for Wildfires***

Surfside's Tree, Brush, Vegetation and Noxious Weeds Committee

Surfside properties are particularly susceptible to wildfires: dune grass, gorse, Scotch broom, spruce or shore pine trees readily ignite during dry summer months. Washington's Department of Natural Resources recommends creating a "defensible space" to protect property from wildfires.

### ***WHAT IS DEFENSIBLE SPACE?***

Defensible space is the area between a house and oncoming wildfire where vegetation has been modified to reduce the wildfire threat and provide opportunity for effective firefighting. A defensible space can simply be a properly maintained backyard.



*Surfside Dune Grass and Shore Pine Fires 2016*



### ***WHAT IS THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN VEGETATION AND WILDFIRE THREAT?***

Many people do not view plants growing on their property as a threat. All vegetation, including grass, native or ornamental plants, is potential wildfire fuel. Properly maintained vegetation can slow a wildfire, shortened the length of flames, and reduce heat, all of which defend the home against oncoming wildfire.

#### **HOW DO I CHANGE THE VEGETATION ON MY PROPERTY TO REDUCE THE WILDFIRE THREAT?**

The objective of defensible space is to reduce the wildfire threat to a home by changing the characteristics of the adjacent vegetation.

Defensible space practices include:

- increasing the moisture content of vegetation.
  - decreasing the amount of flammable vegetation.
  - shortening plant height.
  - altering the arrangement of plants.
- This is accomplished through the "Three R's of Defensible Space." The article "Creating An Effective Defensible Space" provides detailed information about changing vegetation characteristics for defensible space.

## **THE THREE R's OF DEFENSIBLE SPACE**

### **Removal**

This technique involves the elimination of entire plants, particularly trees and shrubs, from the site. Examples of removal are cutting down a dead tree or cutting out a flammable shrub.

### **Reduction**

The removal of plant parts, such as branches or leaves, constitute reduction. Examples of reduction are pruning dead wood from a shrub, removing low tree branches, and mowing dried grass.

### **Replacement**

Replacement is substituting less flammable plants for more hazardous vegetation. Removal of a dense stand of flammable shrubs and planting an irrigated, well maintained flower bed is an example of replacement.

**For a defensible space review of your yard, contact Pacific Co Fire District 1 at 360.665.4451 or see:**

**[https://www.dnr.wa.gov/publications/rp\\_fireprevent\\_living\\_with\\_wildfire.pdf](https://www.dnr.wa.gov/publications/rp_fireprevent_living_with_wildfire.pdf)**

## 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.

# July 2021

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Mon


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				1	2 Tree 1 pm	3 Fishing Derby 830
	5 Office Closed	6 ARC 9 am CRC 1 pm	7	8	9	10 Annual Meeting
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18	19	20 ARC 9 am EMC 1 pm	21	22	23	24
25	26	27 ARC 9 am	28	29	30	31

## LEGEND -

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WSP= Water System Planning \*CRC=Community Relations



# August 2021

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29	30	31 ARC 9 a EMC 1 p				

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