

31402 H St., Ocean Park, WA 98640



Weekender

July 19, 2024

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- Peninsula Events

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Thank you for attending our Annual Member Meeting last Saturday!

Due to a time constraint, we were unable to finish all items on the agenda.

The Annual Meeting will reconvene on July 27, 2024 at 9AM at the Peninsula Baptist Church, 23802 Pacific Way #103, Ocean Park, WA 98640. We have 8 motions to be heard and commented on. The same rules will apply as at the annual meeting .



The big current question is: **Who is AMS?**

Let's clear up some common misinformation and confusion.

In November and December 2023 the Surfside HOA started to inform our members about the transition of our back-office accounting support to AMS—Association Management Services NW. We published articles in the Weekenders and offered a Workshop on December 4, 2023.

On April 12, 2024 we published a letter from our Business Manager with more details about the transition. It was also discussed in the April and May Board Meetings.

At this time, all members should have received the initial welcome email from AMS as well as a letter in the mail with details.

Let's look at those details...

Is the email from AMS a SCAM?

No, it is legitimate and it is safe to open and follow their instructions.

Do I have to give AMS my bank information and set up automatic payments?

ABSOLUTELY NOT! You have multiple payment options, you can pay your dues and invoices by debit card / credit card, or e-check. You can also mail in your check.

Is it correct that the mailing address for a check is in Las Vegas.

Yes, this is a legitimate mailing address and AMS DOES NOT LAUNDER YOUR MONEY!!!

You will also ALWAYS be able to send or bring your check to our Surfside HOA Office!

Our staff is here to help you!

What happens if my HOA Dues are getting paid through an ESCROW company?

Nothing changes. Please continue with payments as before. The HOA Office will handle it for you.

Will our dues increase?

No, this service will not have any effect on your Dues.

If you have ANY questions or concerns, please call the office!

We listen and we will resolve your problems!

We will offer workshops to assist members to set up your account with AMS.

The process very simple and once your have online access to your account, you will find that the website offers a lot of information about the Surfside HOA.

Please be patient as most of the information still needs to be uploaded.

Please know that we share your frustration and concerns!

We are diligently working with the AMS staff on a daily basis to make sure all account information is correct

When two software systems are getting merged, it's seldom smooth and easy. And it requires a lot of work and cooperation and communication on both sides.

Attention

Burn Ban in effect starting Saturday, July 13th



BUILDING • ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH • PLANNING

PRESS RELEASE

July 10, 2024

OUTDOOR BURNING RESTRICTIONS IN PACIFIC COUNTY

Pacific County will be implementing burning restrictions (Burn Ban) effective at 12:01 a.m. on Saturday, July 13th, 2024 until further notice.

The burn ban applies to outdoor debris burning.

Recreational campfires are allowed if built in improved fire pits in designated campgrounds, such as those typically found in local, county, and state parks and in commercial campgrounds. On private land, recreational fires are permitted when built according to the following regulations:

- Recreational fires must be in a metal, stone, or masonry-lined fire pit such as those in improved campgrounds or available at home and garden stores.
- Size may not exceed 3 feet in diameter by 2 feet in height.
- Fires must be at least 25 feet from a structure or other combustible material and have at least 20 feet of clearance from overhead fuels such as tree limbs, patio covers or carports.
- Fires must be attended at all times by a responsible person at least 16 years old who has the ability and tools to extinguish the fire. Tools include a shovel and either five gallons of water or a connected and charged water hose.
- Portable outdoor fireplaces, also known as patio fireplaces, designed to burn solid wood should not be operated within 15 feet of a structure or combustible material and must always be used in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
- Completely extinguish recreational fires by covering them with water or moist soil and stirring with a shovel until all parts are cool to the touch.
- Self-contained camp stoves are a safe and easy alternative to campfires.

Please contact your local fire district for further information and also the Washington State Department of Natural Resources for updates on burn restrictions at 1-800-323-BURN or visit their website at www.dnr.wa.gov/burn-restrictions. You can also contact ORCAA at 1-800-422-5623 or visit their website at www.orcaa.org.

To contact our office, please call 360-642-9382 for Long Beach or 360-875-9356 for South Bend.

Shawn Humphreys
Director of Community Development
Fire Marshal-Building Official

The Annual Member Picnic on Sunday was fun and well attended.

Thanks to our CRC committee for a great organization, delicious food, fun music and games!



Surfside Safety & Security Committee – 2nd Quarterly Report

April, May, June 2024

Our committee continues to make progress with the Pacific County deputy sheriff contract in its final phase for approval with the Civil Service commission. Once that step is complete, the board of trustees will review the contract, approve and the hiring process can commence.

April - The committee focused on traffic calming. Jeff Middaugh & Bob Johnson attended a workshop with Pacific County Commissioner's Dave Tobin, Jerry Doyle & Lisa Olson, also in attendance Pacific County Public Works Director Jennifer Oatfield & Deputy Director Todd Strozyk, Pacific County Administrator Paul Plakinger, Pacific County HR/Risk Manager Marie Guernsey & Administrative Assistant Mindy Nelson.

Five topics were presented and discussed, additional crosswalks, speed signs, speed reduction on I Street, radar speed sign & Flock security cameras. The discussions were very constructive a first step for street safety improvements within Surfside.

May—A scheduled tour of Surfside with Commissioner Dave Tobin & Pacific County Public Works Deputy Director Todd Strozyk by committee member Jeff Middaugh. The tour was designed to better familiarize our county officials with the scope and size of Surfside and the specific needs our committee has presented to our county officials. We continue to press the county for permission to utilize existing signposts to help alert drivers of their speed, helping calm traffic. We also continue to pursue the possibility of Flock technology as another security solution for our community.

June— Our committee continued to press PCPW Deputy Director Strozyk and Commissioner Tobin for permission for the use of existing signposts to mount a radar speed feedback sign. The resistance from the county has been driven by the lack of a county engineer. Without an engineer the county has a backlog of millions of dollars in projects that cannot proceed. That too goes for the projects we have presented to Pacific County Public Works & the Commissioners. Our committee is committed to staying engaged with the County Commissioners & Public Works while they go through the process of finding and hiring a new engineer. When the county does hire an engineer, our committee is ready to re-engage so that our projects are prioritized, a complete survey of Surfside roads has been done, bringing our roads up to current standards.

Our committee has also been given the task of distributing public fire safety education information increasing wildfire awareness to members. The Surfside Estates Wildfire Prevention and Management Plan 2023 – 2025 is available on Surfsideonline.org for members to review. We have posted on the Weekender & Facebook Members Only pages information and links to information to help members protect their properties. This document is a collaboration with Surfside, Pacific County Fire District #1 and Emergency Management Services.

Staying engaged with our county officials, Sheriff Daniel Garcia, Commissioner Dave Tobin and the afore mentioned PC officials for a safe secure Surfside.

Leonard Miller – Co-Chair

President's

Corner

What's up with the 315th Bridge?

Our Pacific County Commissioners need to hear from ALL Surfside residents!

At the June 25th meeting on wildfire evacuation planning with PCFD#1 Chief Jacob Brundage and Scott McDougall, Director of Pacific County Emergency Management Agency, a Surfside member raised the question on repairs to the 315th Street bridge. This bridge is a major arterial for Surfside, a significant tsunami and wildfire evacuation route and a primary access for ambulances, police and other emergency vehicles for Surfside's westside members. Concern was expressed as to how to design an evacuation plan when this bridge has been closed since November 2023 -- with no timeline for repair. With a county fire station in Surfside, fire crews must be able to quickly access properties and the dunes on the west side of the canal without time-delaying detours.

Since the November 2023 closure, the Board has reached out to Pacific County staff and county commissioners to ask for bridge repairs. In January 2024, we were told the county was waiting for a contract engineering firm to assess the damage to the bridge before repairs and a budget could be scheduled. We were told that there is a backlog in due to staffing and budget shortages for a number of projects. (WeekEnder 1/5/2024).

In February 2024, County Commissioner David Tobin said the county had an engineer inspect the bridge and that the bridge could be repaired (WeekEnder 2/9/24). To date, we neither have a timeline nor a plan from the county has been established. More recently, a front page headline of the Chinook Observer (June 26, 2024) stated "No Engineer Puts Major Projects in Jeopardy".

In reality, the County Commissioners could make a decision on the repair of the bridge based on the county budget. The worst case scenario could be no funding, no repairs. Lack of repair can lead to further deterioration of the bridge; lack of or delays in emergency access could risk lives and property.

The time for action is now. We need to share our concerns with the County Commissioners about the critical need for getting the bridge repaired. **Please email or write to our three County Commissioners expressing your concerns about the lack of action on bridge repair.** As county taxpayers, our tax dollars fund county roads and county general taxes, and we expect that the funding is there for this critical repair.

I encourage you to send a letter or email to your commissioners addressing these points:

- It's been nine months since the bridge was closed
- A county engineering inspection shows that the bridge can be repaired
- This is a priority for over two thousand residents who are dependent upon the commissioners taking immediate action
- We are very concerned about our personal safety -- without a critical arterial for evacuations, ambulances, police or firefighters lives could be lost
- Bottom line: **WE WANT ACTION NOW TO REPAIR THE 315TH BRIDGE.**

Email and address for our three County Commissioners:

Lisa Olsen, 2024 Chair
lolsen@co.pacific.wa.us

David Tobin
dtobin@co.pacific.wa.us

Jerry Doyle, 2024 Vice Chair

*Mailing address for all
Commissioners:*

Courthouse Annex
1216 W Robert Bush Drive
PO Box 187
South Bend, WA 98586

2023-2024 Wildfire Prevention Plan

The Surfside Homeowner's Association, Pacific County Fire District #1, and Pacific County Emergency Management Services developed wildfire management, and prevention plan.

To read more about the plan just click the link below

<https://www.surfsideonline.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/Surfside-Wildfire-Prevention-and-Management-Plan.pdf>



CHIPPING SITE GUIDELINES

Trimmings from SURFSIDE lots ONLY!

MUST have a SURFSIDE address!

MUST show a Compactor Pass!

Contractors MUST present written and signed member authorization!

NO LOT CLEARING TREES!

No Logs, No Weeds, No Grass!



Please follow the rules or your load will be denied!

SURFSIDE EVENT PLEASE REGISTER NOW

The Emergency Management Committee 's Annual Tsunami 2.5K Walk/Run

Saturday, August 10, 2024

Registration 8am, Start 9am

Please Pre-register by Aug 9, 2024

with \$5 entry fee

at the Surfside HOA office, 31402 H St. Ocean Park



Entry fee is \$5 for those over 12
12 and under are free when accompanied
by an adult

Please call 360-665-4171 for information

SOUTH PACIFIC COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY

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Puppy Corner

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Local Fosterers Needed for Big Dogs

Large dogs have longer shelter stays than their smaller counterparts. Because of this, SPCHS is at capacity and in desperate need of fosterers for large dogs.

Fostering Helps Dogs:

- Provides a comfortable & loving environment away from the stressful conditions of the shelter
- Improves their well-being & increases the chances of finding a permanent home
- Allows dogs to “be themselves,” valuable information that can be passed on to potential adopters
- Helps them adjust to a home life, making the transition smoother when they are adopted

Fostering can be a Rewarding Experience:

- Allows individuals to enjoy the companionship & love of a pet without the long-term commitment
- Can be a great way to teach children about responsibility & the importance of caring for animals
- Helps the shelter by creating space for more animals in need

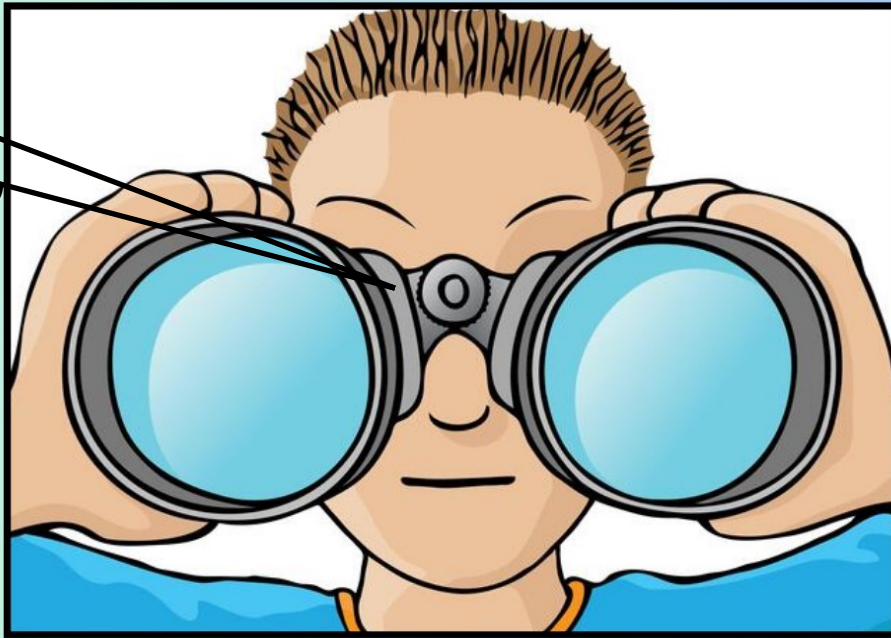
There is no cost to the foster family, all supplies including food, medications, etc. are provided by the shelter.

Please contact SPCHS at 360-642-1180 or beachpets.com



SURFSIDE AREA NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Next Meeting
Thursday, Aug 1
@ 2pm



We are a group of concerned residents who want to deter crime in our community by being the “extra eyes and ears” of the Sheriff. Through familiarity with our block neighbors the group will strive to be aware, watching for suspicious activity and reporting it to the authorities. If you are interested in participating in this neighborhood watch partnership, please contact your neighbor at the number or email below.

Contact

John Curran

Phone

(602) 301-
7456

Email

Surfsideareanw@
gmail.com

Covenant corner

4.0 RESTRICTION REGARDING CONSTRUCTION: (continued...)

4.10 Garages and Carports:

4.10a Garages and carports shall conform to the same building materials (including roofing and siding) as approved for the residence. See Section 4.4 and 4.5 EXCEPTION: Alternative materials may be permitted if one or more of the following criteria apply:

- The proposed material is as close a match as is reasonably possible and practical because the original material is no longer available or not recommended for the prescribed application.
- The proposed material is considered to be the best possible solution under the circumstance in an ever changing and improving product environment.
- Adding an architectural element to an existing home as part of a planned remodel, i.e., brick or stone fascia, etc.
- Where there is a prevalence of like structures in the same division where the new structure is proposed.

4.10b Garages and carports shall be built only as an accessory structure to a primary residential structure, shall not be constructed prior to such primary residential structure, and shall not be approved without prior or concurrent approval of the primary residential structure.

Just click this [link](#) so you can review the covenants today.

ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE

Plan on installing a fence, a shed, a gazebo or building a garage or a house?

REMINDER...

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 every Tuesdays at 9 a.m. at the business office. **The plans MUST be submitted by Friday 2pm be added to the next week's agenda.** The building packets are on our website at surfsideonline.org/forms/ or you can pick them 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.

Please notify the business office if you want to attend the meeting in person.

If you are building on a vacant lot without an address, please post a sign so the committee knows which lot will be developed.

Two (2) sets of plot plans must be submitted to the committee. Once approved, you will get a copy of the approved plan. Take it to the county for their approval as needed. Surfside will retain one set of approved plans to keep on file.

For more detailed information on the Architectural Committee duties and guidelines go to our website surfsideonline.org, select the Other tab, then Governing Documents. Download the Operations Manual and the Surfside Restrictive Covenants or call the business office 360-665-4171 with questions.

Thank you!

July 2024

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| | 1 | 2 ARC 9 CRC 1:15P | 3 Chipper 10-2 | 4 Office Closed | 5 TVBN No meeting | 6 Chipper 10-2 |
| 7 | 8 | 9 ARC 9 | 10 Chipper 10-2 | 11 | 12 | 13 Annual Meeting 10 Chipper 10-2 |
| 14 Annual Member Picnic 1-3pm | 15 | 16 ARC 9A Elections 4 p | 17 RV Cmte 10A Chipper 10-2 EMC First Aid Class 1-4pm | 18 S & S 3P | 19 | 20 Chipper 10-2 |
| 21 | 22 | 23 ARC 9A EMC 1:15 P Elections 4 p | 24 Chipper 10-2 | 25 | 26 | 27 Chipper 10-2 |
| 28 | 29 | 30 ARC 9A Elections 4 p | 31 Chipper 10-2 | | | |
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AC=Architectural CRC=Community Relations EMC=Emergency Management

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TBVN=Tree, Brush, Vegetation and Noxious Weeds WSP=Water Systems Planning

RV= RV Committee

August 2024

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| | | | | 1 Neighborhood Watch 2P | 2 | 3 Chipper 10-2 |
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| 11 | 12 | 13 ARC 9 | 14 Chipper 10-2 | 15 | 16 | 17 August Board Mtg 9 Chipper 10-2 |
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