SURFSIDE BEACH, SOUTH CAROLINA  
TOWN HALL NEWS, JULY, 1985

This is the second quarterly newsletter, designed to provide residents of the Town information regarding operations of the Town. This newsletter will be distributed in July, October, January and April.

ADMINISTRATION

As indicated in the April newsletter, the Town is currently in the process of improving the public beach access areas. Ten of the sixteen new crossovers have been completed, the beach access markers have been installed, an observation deck has been constructed at Third Avenue South and four new public parking areas have been completed. They are located at Third Avenue North, Fourth Avenue South, Fifth Avenue South and Sixth Avenue South.

A new informational brochure is currently being printed and will be available by the end of July. The brochure provides information on Town services, utility services, voter registration, public facilities, recreation facilities, regulations and other pertinent and useful information. Also included is a map of the Town. Stop by Town Hall in a couple of weeks to secure your copy.

Rental License

Every owner or respective agent of the owner of a dwelling located in the Town, which is rented, leased or sub-leased is required to secure a rental license from the Finance Department at Town Hall.

Animal License

All dogs boarded within the municipal limits shall be registered and a license issued. The 1985/86 animal license tags will be available beginning August 1, 1985. To secure a license, you must present a recent, valid rabies vaccination certificate. Section 5-20.

House Numbers

All dwellings located within the municipal limits of the Town must have a street-house number affixed to the dwelling, which is visible from the street. This is most important to aid police, fire and rescue personnel in locating the structure. Correct house numbers can be obtained at Town Hall. Please bring your lot and block number with you so that the property can be properly identified. Section 6-2.

POLICE

This year, a police patrol has been provided on the beach. This officer patrols the beach on weekends, holidays and various other times. The purpose of the patrol is to augment the lifeguard service in providing a safe and fun beach environment and enforcing Town regulations governing such items as alcohol, fireworks, dogs, sailboats and others. The officer patrols the beach on a four wheel all terrain vehicle.
FIRE

Fire Bay

The construction of the new fire bay on First Avenue North should be completed in August. The new bay will house the Town's new ladder truck when the remodeling of the vehicle is completed.

Volunteers Needed

The Surfside Beach Fire Department has several Volunteer Firefighter vacancies which need to be filled. The qualifications are as follows:

1. Be in good physical and mental condition.
2. Reside and/or work in the Surfside Beach area.
3. Be willing and able to attend Fire Drills on Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. for approximately two hours.
4. Be willing and able to occasionally leave your job, family, and/or friends to respond to fires or other emergencies.

Previous firefighting experience is desirable, but not required. The Department will provide training under the requirements of the State Fire Academy. If you're interested, contact the Surfside Beach Fire Department. Please be aware that this is not a social club. You're being asked to make a commitment.

RECREATION

The following is the schedule for our Youth Baseball Tournaments:

Half-Stars: 8, 9, & 10 Years Old
Sub-District at North Myrtle Beach – July 20, 1985

Dixie Youth All-Stars: 11 & 12 Years Old
Surfside Beach will host District Tournament at H. Blue Huckabee Complex.

Dixie Boys All-Stars: 13 & 14 Years Old
District at Myrtle Beach
Surfside Beach vs. Georgetown – July 11, 1985

Dixie Pre-Majors: 15 & 16 Years Old
District at Surfside Beach
at the H. Blue Huckabee Complex
at 7:00 p.m., Surfside vs. Georgetown – July 12, 1985

Please come out and support our teams and enjoy some good baseball.
RECREATION cont.

Baton Classes

Registration will be held starting July 8th thru 12th, from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the Recreation Department, for girls ages 5 thru 14 years old. Fee will be $20.00. Since we did not have enough girls registred for softball and we don't want to neglect the girls; we will be offering the Baton classes. Look for other classes in the near future.

Adult Slowpitch Softball

This is a first for Surfside Beach. We have six teams entered in our League. Games will be played each Tuesday and Thursday at H. Blue Huckabee Complex. There will be three games each night at 6:30, 7:45 and 9:00 p.m. The first games will start July 11th. Let's support this new league!

Football

We are looking for Football Officials. Anyone interested, please contact or call the Recreation Department at 238-4131.

Tennis

If anyone is interested in Adult Tennis classes please call the Recreation Department. If enough adults are interested, classes will be set up!

Art

Art Classes are presently being held in Calhoun Hall, at the Surfside Beach United Methodist Church, on Mondays and Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Contact Instructor Georgine Moore at 272-8378, if you're interested.

Bridge

The Retirement Bridge Club meets each Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., at the Floral Lake Clubhouse. Come out if you're interested.

PUBLIC WORKS

The Town has employed a new Town Engineer to aid in the development and maintenance of water, sewer and drainage facilities, as well as many other activities. The new engineer will begin his duties in August.

CLEAN CITY COMMITTEE

The Surfside Beach Clean City Committee has applied for certification, to join the National Keep America Beautiful, Incorporated organization. The Committee will begin meeting again in the fall, or once the certification process is begun.
UTILITY

The Town's third well has been approved by the Department of Health and Environmental Control. The new well was placed in service on Friday, June 21st and will facilitate our efforts in providing good clean water to our residents and businesses.

POPLAR DRIVE

The South Carolina Highway Department has begun work on Poplar Drive which will culminate in the paving of this street. The work is being done on Poplar from Melody Lane, north to Fifth Avenue North. The work will take some time and paving may not be completed until late fall or early spring.

BUILDING INSPECTION

New Inspector

The Town of Surfside Beach has hired a new full-time Building Inspector to supplement our inspection service. Mr. James Cook began work on June 24th. Mr. Cook is a registered professional building inspector, a registered electrical inspector and a registered plumbing inspector. He has a Master's Electricians's license and is state licensed. Mr. Cook has ten years of experience as an inspector for the City of Savannah and for Beaufort County, as well as ten years of actual experience in the construction industry. We welcome Mr. Cook to the Town.

New Office Hours

The Building Inspector has new office hours. Beginning Monday, July 15th the Building Inspector's office hours will be 8:30 a.m to 10:00 a.m and 1:00 p.m to 2:30 p.m.

All Residents

It has come to the attention of the Building Department that some residents are experiencing difficulties due to inferior construction work performed on your home and/or business. This problem is primarily created by unqualified and unlicensed contractors performing the work. Problems also arise because some work is being completed which is not permitted or inspected. To clarify, a building permit must be applied for and issued if the cost of the work performed exceeds $100.00. This will ensure that the work complies with all building, zoning, and fire regulations. Also, please check and make sure that any contractor you hire has a state license (if applicable) and a Town Business License.

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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