

WPOA Fall General Membership Meeting
Saturday October 12, 2013,
9:00 at the Fire Station in Whalehead.
Light breakfast available at 8:30

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hard to believe another summer season has slipped by. As of this writing the past Whalehead summer was soaked with rain but relatively untouched by storms. The fact those storms can pop up at a moments notice is a reality of the outer banks.

Rental agencies are reporting the season started soft but picked up over time. It's expected the 2013 season will mirror rentals in 2012. Housing sales also about the same as last year but housing values have declined slightly. Whalehead home sales are running ahead of the rest of the Corolla area. Distressed home sales are only half of what they were last year.

Corolla Light continues to expand along the border of Whalehead. WPOA will continue to monitor that expansion to make sure it doesn't threaten drainage or access into Whalehead.

Two pedestrians were struck and killed by a motorist this past season as they walked long route 12. It is a cautionary tale about highway safety and how delicate life is. In the wake of the tragedy WPOA has formally urged the County Commission to extend the bike path along route 12 from the Dare/Currituck county line all the way to where the road stops north of Ocean Hill.

At the end of our fall meeting Lee Foreman will be taking over as president. His military background and 18 years as a Whalehead homeowner give him the tools and background to keep Whalehead moving in a positive direction. I will continue to serve on the board. If you ever need me, I am as close as an email. (Terugs@aol.com)

-- Drainage Report

- The drainage infrastructure installed in the Phases 1, 2, and 3 moved out a lot of water from Whalehead Beach during this summer's rains (the wettest June and July in eastern NC on record). Some nuisance flooding has persisted in spots on the streets, but not like it has done historically. Even more improvement to minimize this ponding water is expected after Phase 4 is installed and operational this next winter and spring. Phase 4 work will include the streets' removal, driveway relocations, swale creation for Tuna, Sturgeon, and Perch, and a connection to Corolla's main force line from Tuna southward to Barracuda's outflow pump.
- As he has done for many years since the infrastructure work was approved, Johnny Martin, Engineer from Moffatt & Nichol, will present the status of the work done to date, a report of the existing system's operation, and the current schedule for Phase 4 work. He also will be available to answer questions.

Maintenance Service District

The Maintenance Service District was created by the Commissioners of Currituck County to provide funding for the general appearance of the Whalehead Community. The major effort has been to provide for the rollout and rollback of trash totes and this effort has made for a tremendous improvement in overall appearance of the community. Funds from the Service District are also used for landscape maintenance of the four entry sign areas and the parking areas.

Please keep all trash within totes. Check your house to make sure you have enough totes. The County regulations call for one trash tote for every two bedrooms and one recycle tote for every three trash totes. Call Waste Management at 800 877-7531 to arrange

for additional totes, for replacement of damaged totes and to request special pickup of items too large for totes. Working together, we'll all continue to improve our community.

Currituck County has announced that Bay Disposal will provide trash removal services beginning January 1, 2014; this change will replace Waste Management. Existing trash totes may continue to be rented from Waste Management. If you own your totes there is no change. Arrangements are being made so that you can rent totes from Bay Disposal. One Bay Disposal recycle tote will be provided by the County. Recycle totes will be picked up twice a week in season. There is no change to the roll out, roll back service now in place within Whalehead. Tote requirements remain the same – one trash tote per bedroom and one recycle tote for every three trash totes. Updated information will be posted on WPOA.org.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Fall 2013 Newsletter

As WPOA ends its 2013 membership year, we have 475 paid members. Thank you for all who are current members.

We will begin our 2014 membership drive in October. If you are either a current 2013 member or a previous year member and your information has not changed from that published in the directory, you may renew your membership by sending a \$45 check (with your Whalehead street address printed on the memo line) to WPOA, PO Box 10993, Burke, VA 22009 (there is no need to complete the information form if your information has not changed).

Please take a minute to look at the address label. If it says "2014 Dues Paid", your dues are paid for 2014. Do not send in a check unless you want it credited toward your 2015 dues. Thank you.

For those of you new to the Whalehead community, WPOA is a voluntary, non-profit organization of property owners. Annual dues remain at a low \$45 per year. We need everyone's involvement and continued support of WPOA to improve the Whalehead Beach community.

As part of the WPOA initiative to bring all Whalehead Beach property owners together, we are sending this newsletter to all Whalehead property owners, including WPOA members and non-members. If the mailing label says "Owner", you are receiving a complimentary copy of the newsletter because your name is listed as a Whalehead property owner in the Currituck County real estate tax records. If you are an "Owner", please consider

joining WPOA. Just complete the Membership Information Form and send it along with your \$45 check made out to WPOA to: "WPOA, PO Box 10993, Burke, VA 22009". In addition, please include your Whalehead street address on your check.

WPOA periodically sends out information of interest to all members who have email addresses on file. Unfortunately, some email is returned as undeliverable. If your email address has changed, please email your new email address to: *membership@WPOA.org*. If you would like your cell phone listed in the directory, please email that number to me also.

If you have questions about membership, please contact Bob Powers, at "WPOA, PO Box 10993, Burke, VA 22009", at 703-912-3753, or by email at *membership@WPOA.org*.

CANDIDATES FOR WPOA BOARD OR DIRECTORS 2013-2014

() President....Lee Foreman

Falls Church Virginia , Retired USAR Col., DOD Administrator, Past President WPOA-2, Whalehead homeowner since 1995

() First Vice President....Jeff Lockhart

Wilson NC, Financial Investment Advisor, WPOA Treasurer, Whalehead homeowner since 2000

() Second Vice President..Tim Bostaph

Corolla NC, Retired Navy and school teacher, WPOA social Chairman, Whalehead homeowner since 1993

() Secretary...Shawn Stringer

Silver Springs Md., Attorney, WPOA Secretary, Whalehead homeowner since 1997

() Treasurer...Ron Harman

Mechanicsville Va, Digital security consultant, past WPOA President and Treasurer, Whalehead homeowner since 1985

MEMBERS AT LARGE

() Bob Campbell

Churchville VA, Retired from E I DuPont (37 yrs.), 3-year board member, Whalehead homeowner since 1985

() Dan Clements

Columbus Ohio, Retired VP of Environmental Graphic Design. Chairman WPOA Drainage Service District, Whalehead homeowner since 2000

() Richard Donica

Savannah Ga./Corolla, Retired Pilot Eastern Airline, Boeing test pilot, instructor Gulf Stream-650, WPOA Storm Water Drainage Advisory Bd, H Whalehead homeowner since 1999.

() Lucy Gray

Corolla NC, Former Social Science Research Statistician, outer banks retailer, Whalehead homeowner since 1997.

() Matt Hinson

Chesapeake, VA, Army Corps of Engineers-Supervisory Mechanical Engineer, Whalehead homeowner since 2013

George Mears

Suffolk, VA, Army Corps of Engineers, Former WPOA Board member on Drainage Advisory Committee, Whalehead homeowner since 1998.

() Bob Powers

Burke, VA, Retired Capt. U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, 1st assistant to Director Michael Chertoff, College Instructor, WPOA Membership Chairman, Whalehead homeowner since 1996.

() Jack Riggle

Corolla NC, Real Estate Broker Chairman Whalehead Service District, Whalehead Drainage Service District, Whalehead homeowner since 1999.

() Terry Ruggles

Cherry Hill NJ, Retired Journalist, Past President WPOA-3 times, Whalehead homeowner since 1985 **Editors note.** WPOA bylaws say the resigning president is **automatically a member of the new board** as an advisor to the news president.

() Dennis Umberger

Corolla NC, Retired Information Systems Engineer for Eastern Chemical Company-32 years, owners of Dolphin Watch Galley, WPOA website administrator, WPOA Advisory board to Waste Management, Whalehead homeowner since 1993

Holly White, Senior Planner for Currituck County, will be at the Fall 2013 WPOA meeting to present some of the ideas the county has for the Currituck Outer Banks. More bike paths and better connections between different outer banks communities are two examples. This is a chance for you to hear what the county envisions for our area and a chance for you to tell the county what you think Whalehead and our neighbor could use to improve things now and in the future.

The Corolla Fire and Rescue Department has responded to 25 fire calls so far this season. The men and women who make up the squad have aided in 6 ocean rescues. The SEAL program to educate children on ocean safety had 1000 participants and continues to grow in popularity, as does the Junior Life Guard program. WPOA helps sponsor both.

Agenda for Fall Meeting 2013

Call to order

President's remarks

Approval of Spring Meeting Minutes

Treasurer's Report

Membership Report

Election of Officers/Board

Holly White
Currituck County Senior Planner

Drainage District Report

Service District Report
New Vendor

New Business

Adjourn

