

Wolfeboro Board of Selectmen
Special Meeting Minutes Public Beach Forum-APPROVED
In-Person at the Great Hall, 9 Union St. Wolfeboro
July 27, 2021

Board Members present: Chairman Linda Murray, Brad Harriman, Dave Senecal, Linda Murray, Luke Freudenberg, and Brian Deshaies

Staff present: Town Manager Jim Pineo, Assistant Director of Parks and Rec Beau Betz and Recording Secretary Christine Doherty

Chairman Murray opened the meeting at 6:02 PM.

The Board will hear from any resident from any town. Please state your name and what town you reside when you come up to the podium to speak. The Board has received 15 emails which will be included in the minutes (see attached).

The Board will entertain comments on the following:

Should the Town of Wolfeboro have a uniform policy for all beach parking lots?

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Should the Town of Wolfeboro restrict the beach parking lots to residents only?

Should the Town of Wolfeboro restrict the beach parking lots to residents, taxpayers, guests and commercial businesses?

Should the Town of Wolfeboro beach parking lots be open to the general public?

Should the Board create a volunteer committee of 5 to 8 residents to review the July 27 public forum comments and recommendations? The volunteer committee will provide its recommendations to the Board of Selectmen.

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Phillip Letarte Wolfeboro: I have one question for you all and that is since the measure in question has already been voted on and passed, why are we trying to change it? The majority has spoken.

Janice Shannon from Wolfeboro: In support of keeping the current policies. There was a lot of overcrowding on the beach and the parking lot. With the current policy there is a much nicer climate. Brewster Beach policy should be a collaboration with Brewster.

Cynthia Theodore from Wolfeboro: I am in support of keeping the current policies. A lot of work has been put in at Carry Beach to preserve Winter Harbor. The WA in the beginning of 2021 was changed at the deliberative session, changing the meaning of the petition. Many voters were confused because of the word “not.” I’m not even sure if I voted correctly. My question is how did we get here? The Brewster Beach Warrant Article should have never changed. The NH statutes were not upheld. I also know the town businesses are very much for having everything free. I don’t think anyone wants Wolfeboro to turn into another Weirs Beach.

Nick McNally Wolfeboro: The parking situation exacerbated the situation, there is now less parking at Carry Beach. I do agree to some extent to keeping the beaches to locals and residents. Some of Tuftonboro’s taxes go to Parks and Rec but they aren’t allowed to use the beaches. Carry Beach, the town owns a 20ft section of land across the road there that the abutters seem to be encroaching on.

Taylor Peterson from Wolfeboro: I have always used Brewster Beach. Last summer it was closed due to behavior and Covid. And the fact that it was the only free beach to us. I believe all beaches should be the same across the board. The trash on Brewster Beach was not local trash that I could see. The WA originally set up by Puffer was well written, the amendment that happened this winter was a complete mess and people probably did vote wrong.

Nancy Hirshberg from Wolfeboro: We have enjoyed all of our beautiful beaches for many decades. We need to deal with these challenges. Closing 2 out of our 3 beaches to the public has created issues. All of our beaches have lost our lifeguards except when there are activities.

Dave Monaghan from Wolfeboro: I have been coming to Wolfeboro since I was 10. Our goal for Brewster Beach was not to keep people out but protect it. The beaches are not big enough to handle large gatherings. The disrespect to our beaches was awful. We definitely need a committee of residents and we need uniformity. Closing Albee and Carry has driven people to Brewster.

Scott Isabelle from Wolfeboro: Even with the restricted policy Carry Beach parking gets full and my wife and I had to go back later when there was room. Brewster Beach has had enough parking so far this year even on sunny days. I am supportive of what we have right now.

Maggie Stier from Wolfeboro: This Oldest Summer Resort in America thing really bothers me. We were not a summer resort back then and it was a marketing ploy that was developed in the 20th Century. Maybe looking at what other towns do might help. Another thing is how much stuff people bring and how long they stay at the beach.

Suzanne Ryan from Wolfeboro: I would like to ask the selectmen to check with legal again on that verbiage on that Warrant Article. The WA you handed out and Chapter 16, the one for Albee Beach and Carry beach was different. When Albee Beach was purchased, it states “that the beach

is for our family and children of our community...a beach for swimming..." I am really afraid of Brewster Beach is going to blow up Albee and Carry Beach Warrant Article. I think we should follow the master plan which says we are at the tipping point. The town should be pushing Wentworth State Park beach.

Patty Monahan from Wolfeboro: I live close to Brewster Beach, and having it have separate rules feels like it isn't as important. I want to address big groups (50-60). I don't think any of our beaches can handle that and a permit should be requested. Overall, we need to be consistent across all of our beaches.

Kathy Fairman from Alton: Small business owner in Wolfeboro for over 50 years, Molly the Trolley. See attached statement

Chris Peterson from Wolfeboro: Carry Beach is now a pleasant place to go but Brewster Beach is having issues. The policy should be uniform for all beaches.

Joann Fuglestad from Wolfeboro: I believe the town needs to look at these beaches and start monitoring them far earlier in the year than we do. I would say late May we realized trash was piling up at Brewster Beach. The port-a-potty wasn't delivered until June 11th and people were going behind the shed.

Mark Eilen from Wolfeboro: I go to Carry Beach just about every day. And I want to commend the teenagers who work there with the clean-up and raking. I see people parking on Forest Road where there are no "No Parking" signs. Other towns are becoming more restrictive. All the towns around the lake should come up with a collective solution for the Lakes Region.

Mary DeVries from Wolfeboro: I have had the pleasure of enjoying all 3 beaches over the past 30 years. The Chamber is in support to open the beaches to the public. We believe all visitors are guests of our town.

Al Sochard from Wolfeboro: I am a little ashamed to hear how people want to keep others, who may not have what we have in Wolfeboro, away from our beautiful town and beaches.

Rich Masse from Wolfeboro: I want to go back to the first question that was asked tonight. Why are we here again? What assurance do we have that we are going to achieve some sort of finality on this? That way we aren't revisiting this again in three years. Implementation is just as important as policy.

Bobbi Boudman from Wolfeboro: We voted a year ago and we need to follow what the voters chose. Last week we were discussing drive thrus again, after the voters decided against them. The cameras that were put up at Brewster, that should have been voted on by the community. If we could just follow our Warrant Articles that would be great.

Linda Cardin from Wolfeboro: The beaches here are tiny and parking is tight. All the problems seem to arise when we open our beaches more to outsiders. I agree with everyone who

said they voted on, and now we are having a meeting and it seems like my vote didn't matter. Here we are again.

Stu Roberston from Wolfeboro: We voted on this last year, why are we here again.

Katrina Lemon from Wolfeboro: Towns that pay into our Parks and Rec program and not being able to use our beaches sets a bad precedent. Tuftonboro, and other towns in our school district should have access to our beaches.

Chairman Murray: I want to thank you all for coming and giving us your input. The petition Warrant Article is the reason we are here this evening.

Dave Senecal: Glad to see people come out tonight. I thought we had voted on this already as well. I have taken a lot of notes and will work to come up with some solutions. Not much we can do with parking, but I am taking note of regulations being the same. Suzanne brought up a good point about the cost of each beach and what it takes to run. I heard a lot of issues about trash.

Luke Freudenberg: I heard many times tonight that one policy across the board for all beaches. Monitoring and enforcement is going to be key. Moving forward with areas like trash is vitally important to keeping the beaches clean.

Brian Deshaies: Many people speaking of having the beaches for residents and their guests. The Lakes Region Conservation Commission has volunteers and land stewards. We could all work together. With regards to other towns coming to our beaches, most of the other towns do have their own beaches. And as far as Parks and Rec, other towns are paying for those services specifically.

Brad Harriman: Thank everyone for coming out tonight. Everyone here really cares about the beaches. A committee should be formed and other town's ordinances around the lake can be looked out to find out how they handle things.

Meeting ended at 7:36 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Christine Metcalfe Doherty

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Wolfeboro Board of Selectmen
PO Box 629
Wolfeboro, NH 03894

RE: Town Beach Forum

My name is Kathy Fairman and I have been a small business owner in Wolfeboro for almost fifty years and currently own and operate the Wolfeboro Trolley Company. Molly the Trolley has served Wolfeboro area residents and visitors for 34 years. I also own commercial property in Wolfeboro and have served for the last nine years as a volunteer on the Town of Wolfeboro's Economic Development Committee.

I speak here today as a citizen who has enjoyed a life-long love and appreciation for this very special place in which I have the privilege of living and working.

Our beaches, like our lakes, ponds, rivers and streams are among our most precious assets; we must give extra special care to how we manage these critical natural resources.

While I understand that New Hampshire's lakes, ponds, rivers, and streams belong to we, the people of the State of New Hampshire, all of us, the reality is that access to these public resources is controlled by those who own the land abutting the water.

Wolfeboro's three town beaches provide access to Lakes Winnepesaukee and Wentworth for those who are not fortunate enough to own property on the water. And in the most precious of ways; a toddler, a pail and a shovel; a teenage couple navigating the awkward early stages of getting to know each other, an elderly couple settled in beach chairs under visors and hats, their noses in books and their toes in the sand. I saw them all today at Carry Beach where I spent a good part of the afternoon with my grandson.

Those very experiences are why many of us choose to live here and why visitors choose to come here to vacation.

We're here today because it's become apparent in recent years that our beaches are not large enough to serve everyone who wants to use them.

In order to avoid overuse of the beaches and preserve the quality of our water and the quality of our beach experience we need to limit the number of people on our beaches at any given time.

So now the question is "Who gets to go to the beach?" and "How do we make sure those who have that privilege are the ones on the beach"

Here's what I believe:

There should be one policy for all town beach parking area. That's the only fair and equitable way to manage our beach use for users, for the beaches, and residents living near the beaches.

The policy should include access for all residents and taxpayers including their guests, which would include all lodging establishments.

This would cut out the day trippers, but still allow the oldest summer resort in America to promote its town beaches as one of the reasons to come to Wolfeboro and stay overnight. The State of NH's Department of Travel and Tourism tells us that overnight guests spend more time and more money than someone coming just for the day.

I think this is a good compromise and one which will accomplish the goals of not overusing our natural resources and diminishing the quality of our recreational experiences while still paying attention to one of our key economic drivers, tourism.

The Selectmen or a Beach Committee, is appointed could review how other towns are managing their beaches. I know Gilford is experimenting with a new system this year. That information could be helpful.

Whatever the process of getting beach passes, they need to be available at the Town Hall where citizens go for everything else from dump permits, building permits, marriage licenses and to pay our taxes, water and sewer and electric bills. It must not be a cumbersome process, which is presently is.

Also, town beaches need to have a place for trash, preferably recycled trash. Carry in and carry out is not realistic nor welcoming. People will use a trash container when one is available. It's only responsible stewardship to the environment for us to provide this service.

July 27, 2021

To: Wolfeboro Board of Selectmen
Re: Feedback for Public Forum on Beach Parking

We are not available to attend the public forum, but wanted to provide our input. Before answering the questions provided in your email, let us state that we are permanent residents of Wolfeboro. Prior to moving here, we were residents of Moultonborough where vehicle beach stickers (purchased from the town with proof of residency/taxpayer) are required to park at the town's public beaches. This works well for that town's residents/taxpayers as it helps to fund beach maintenance and ensure that beach facilities are available for tax paying property owners.

Answers (in blue) to the questions follow:

Should the Town of Wolfeboro have a uniform policy for all beach parking lots? **Yes.**

Should the Town of Wolfeboro have separate policies for all beach parking lots? **No.**

Should the Town of Wolfeboro restrict the beach parking lots to residents only? **No, it should limit beach parking access to residents & guests, taxpayers & guests.**

Should the Town of Wolfeboro restrict the beach parking lots to residents, taxpayers, guests and commercial businesses? **No, it should limit beach parking access to residents & guests, taxpayers & guests. The beach at Wentworth State Park is available for others.**

Should the Town of Wolfeboro beach parking lots be open to the general public? **No. While we have three beaches, they are all limited in size & therefore should only be available for residents & guests, taxpayers & guests. Even with the parking restrictions in place at Carry Beach, it gets very crowded. We have heard of camps & other organizations busing people in to our beaches; this is not fair to taxpayers who are paying to maintain and have those facilities available.**

Should the Board create a volunteer committee of 5 to 8 residents to review the July 27 public forum comments and recommendations? The volunteer committee will provide its recommendations to the Board of Selectmen. **No. Volunteer committees do not represent everyone's point of view. Only a warrant article comes close to representing the interests of all.**

Should the Board of Selectmen use the comments and recommendations from the July 27 public forum to draft any changes to the Brewster Beach, Albee Beach and Carry Beach parking lot ordinance and hold a public hearing on the drafted changes? A volunteer committee would not be formed. **Yes/No. Changes can be drafted, but before being adopted it should be a warrant article so that everyone has the opportunity to vote/have input. Another public hearing only gets the input of those who can attend. Some may not attend due to availability or discomfort (given Covid) with a public setting.**

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input.

Sharon L. Waid
Charles Badzmierowski

Amy Capone-Muccio

From: Mark Fuglestad
Sent: Thursday, July 29, 2021 12:10 AM
To: Amy Capone-Muccio
Subject: ATTN: Town Manager's Office: Written Comments on Beach Parking

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My name is Mark Fuglestad and I live at 1 Greenleaf Dr in Wolfeboro. I was unable to attend the public forum on beach parking, but I did take the time this evening to listen to the meeting. I would like to submit this written response that adds to what I heard at the meeting, but did not hear this topic discussed during the meeting.

This spring, the town posted No Parking signs along both sides of Clark Road, the signs include no details describing when there is no parking or where along the street the signs apply. At the very end of Clark Road, near McKinney Point there is one clarifying sign that says "no parking on Clark Road without the consent of the property owner". This sign was placed there to clarify the limits on use at McKinney Park. That sign will not be seen by anyone that is driving near the beach and due to a Brewster parking lot full, decides to venture onto Clark road. There really should be some clarifying text. Is there no parking between signs? No parking for beach events? No parking ever? If I were to park 20 yard away from a no parking sign is that OK? You get the idea. People that use the Brewster tennis courts typically park on Clark Road and that should not be an issue, since they are using the Brewster tennis courts. Some of the signs are even posted on the land bordering the "Open Space Preservation Area" land owned by the lot owners of Greenleaf Drive. If I have guests at my house on the corner and choose to park several cars on the Clark Rd side at the Greenleaf corner is that allowed? Those that live near Gillette Stadium in Foxboro, MA have signage posted on the streets that says "no parking during stadium events". Is there any way to add clarifying text to match the Selectman's goals for when parking is not allowed?

The beach parking lots start to be used in late May. On weekends with nice weather from Memorial Day weekend until the Park and Rec are able to staff the beaches can you please consider periodic supervision, port-a-john facilities in place and some way to collect the trash. I have, on two Sunday mornings in June 2021, filled a trash bag at Brewster beach with all of the items discarded by those at the beach on the prior day. The summer staff have been doing a great job maintaining the beaches starting in late June, it is the prior month that is being ignored.

Parking at all Beaches in Town should be treated equally. Maybe each beach has 1 or 2 days a week that allow out of town use, but limit that out of town use to weekdays when there is less demand by residents.

Thank You for your consideration of these topics.

Mark Fuglestad
Wolfeboro, NH

Amy Capone-Muccio

From: Kathy Tetreault Thursday, July 29, 2021 9:00 AM
Sent: Amy Capone-Muccio
To: Subject: Town Beaches/Parking and Admission
Subject:

Good morning,

I am a resident of Wolfeboro and work for the GWRSD. As a resident I am in support of equitable use of the town beaches and parking areas for public use and access. I am also in support of the formation of a volunteer committee to study the use of our public facilities to provide adequate information so that our board of selectmen can make an informed decision for equitable use and access. My understanding of the process at hand is to study the concerns being voiced ex post facto from the town vote since the wording of the warrant articles seemed to confuse voters. It is my suggestion that once a recommendation by the committee is made and if it suggests putting forward additional warrant articles that they be clearly stated and the intent explained to the voter as to what a yes vote means as a majority result and what a no vote means. I look forward to reading about the work and findings of the volunteer committee. Again, I am in support of access and use of public facilities by the general public.

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Kathy Tetreault
Wolfeboro, NH

Amy Capone-Muccio

From: Mary DeVries
Sent: Thursday, July 29, 2021 9:15 AM
To: Amy Capone-Muccio
Subject: FW: Parking at the town beaches.

Amy – Forwarding message here with permission from Mr. Huntley. It is his response to the letter sent from our chamber board of directors stating it wants all beaches to return to being open to all the public.

Mary

DeVries

From: bill
Sent: Tuesday, July 27, 2021 10:29 AM
To: Mary DeVries
Subject: Parking at the town beaches.

Yes, I agree with this decision. Visitors are an important part of our economic health and exclusivity is not welcoming.

Bill Huntley

ClosetPlace



Amy Capone-Muccio

From: Mary DeVries
Sent: Thursday, July 29, 2021 2:34 PM
To: Amy Capone-Muccio
Subject: Re: Public comments, beach access
Attachments: Public input_Beaches_2021.docx

Amy – Please find attached a file I am submitting for the Selectmen’s consideration. All content was copied from Wolfeboro Parks and Recreation’s Facebook page. It is a sampling of comments made in response to a post explaining about beach passes/access.

Mary DeVries, Executive Director
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someone who grew up in the GWRSD but not in Wolfeboro, I can't imagine how sad it would have been to not be able to meet at the beach with my Wolfeboro friends.

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You guys have no idea how big of a mistake this is. The entire town economy is built off of tourists and out of town people, and you just shut off one of the biggest reasons to hang out in Wolfeboro in the summer.

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really stinks that my kids go to school in Wolfeboro but since we live in New Durham I can't park at the beaches to meet up with their friends

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Spent \$85 this year for NH Parks Plates when we registered our car because we're not welcome at Albee anymore. And no, walking from Ossipee with our kids isn't an option, so "you can come, you just can't park" is irrelevant.

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Whatever. Wolfeboro doesn't need our cash at local businesses because it has the tourists that CAN go to the beach.

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How can you have a "resort town" with no beach? The merchants are happy to take your money, but you are not allowed to swim--If you go to other areas, such as Conway there are public beaches--other towns have public beaches. So the message is come enjoy beautiful lake Winnepesaukee but you are not welcome to swim, we want the beach for ourselves. Since most of the lake is privately owned, . I just do not agree with that, and find it so lacking in a spirit of generosity and goodwill.

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I know that, but it leaves the special beach Albee unavailable, and Brewster is very limited. These beaches were available to the public before, originally it made sense with Covid, now it just seems like entitlement. Albee beach has the whole history as a welcoming site in the past--which is outlined at the beach.

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I appreciate that you are enforcing the will of the people, and for me that says it all, I am beginning to understand what Wolfeboro is all about.

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I hate the policy. Wolfeboro is getting too uppity for me. I'm a resident and I understand one of the reasons for the policy was because trash was left and overcrowding. So why don't they just pay people to clean up daily paid by non-resident permits. No parking signage along the road leading into Albee Beach would solve the parking problem.

We literally had line items in our budget for Bailey's and the Yum Yum Shop which we went to every single week throughout the beach season. I guess we will be saving a lot of \$\$\$ ☹️

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Amy Capone-Muccio

From: Tina Rhode
Sent: Thursday, July 29, 2021 6:03 PM Amy
To: Capone-Muccio
Subject: Beach Parking

We bought land and built a house in Brookfield, NH 8 years ago -Before that we owned a summer home in Moultonborough and my husband grew up in southern NH. We were so happy in the beginning to see that the largest nearby town to us, Wolfeboro, had several public beaches-this was not the case last summer or this summer. My husband works in Wolfeboro.

Since we have seen, when visiting the Brookfield Town site , that it claims that we **share parks and recreation** with Wolfeboro, and I know that with our real estate taxes we contribute to the regional schools of which Wolfeboro is a part (our children are grown), it does not feel right to me that Brookfield residents are not allowed to go to the beaches.

Beyond that, there is very little public lake access, as most of it is privately owned, and it really reinforces the idea that Wolfeboro is an exclusive town, you can shop there, eat there, we want your money, but you can't swim there. In my opinion, you really should change all the brochures about the town that say there are public beaches, not true.

Sincerely,

Kristing Osberg Rhode

Brookfield, NH 03872

Amy Capone-Muccio

From: Tonya Jordan
Sent: Wednesday, July 28, 2021 11:49 PM
To: Amy Capone-Muccio
Subject: Beach discussion

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Hello, I am. 7 year Wolfboro resident who lives 1 block from Brewster Beach.
My preference would be for residents to continue purchasing (for a minimal fee)
2 beach passes (max). It has been nice!
The beach does not get too crowded and it feels more like a family beach!
Thank you for considering the opinions and preferences of Wolfeboro residents.

Shirley Short

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Amy Capone-Muccio

From: Nancy Mershon Black
Sent: Wednesday, July 28, 2021 1:12 PM
To: Amy Capone-Muccio
Subject: Beach opinion

I support:

1. A uniform policy for the parking lots - when they are full no more people/cars allowed.
2. Town of Wolfeboro should restricting the beach parking lots to residents, taxpayers, guests and commercial businesses.
3. I don't think we need a citizen committee.

Our welcome mat is worn out and our beaches and natural resources are suffering.

People can pay and go to the State Park and folks in other towns that have lakefront can vote for their taxes to buy lakefront property and make their own town beaches for their residents. We bought Albee Beach with our taxes and pay for them.

It's delusional to think day trippers that come to our beaches with their filled coolers really stop and spend money in Wolfeboro. Our stores aren't a bargain anyway. We stop locally because it's convenient. I'd love to see some statistics from the Chamber on this on how they justify their stated opinion. Those buses that used to come to the beaches sure didn't stop in town. They still can always go the Wentworth State Park then park downtown and shop.

I feel we should keep the current restrictions at Albee and Carry Beach.

Sincerely,
Nancy Black

Amy Capone-Muccio

From: Lisa Swenson
Sent: Wednesday, July 28, 2021 10:55 AM
To: Amy Capone-Muccio
Subject: Wolfeboro Public Forum-Town Beach Access Comments

My name is Lisa Swenson. My husband and I are residents of Wolfeboro. We do not live adjacent to any of the beaches but frequently visit them by car. We chose to buy property and retire here in Wolfeboro because of the strong sense of community and beautiful beach access, so like most of our fellow residents, this is a very important issue to us.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment relating to access and parking at Albee Beach, Carry Beach and Brewster Beach. We appreciate the work of the Board of Selectman in this process, and wanted to submit the following comments summarizing our opinions and what we observed at the public forum on this topic.

- Of overarching importance is the fact that on several occasions, town residents and taxpayers have come out to vote on beach access for Albee, Carry and Brewster beaches. In the case of Albee and Carry beaches, town residents and taxpayers voted, with clear majority, to restrict access. If these results are legally binding, I am unclear as to how the Board of Selectman can, within the scope of its authority, legitimately open these issues up again and take independent action that appears to be in direct conflict with the warrant adoption. "The Board of Selectman has the responsibility to the Town to **implement** the decisions made by the voters at the Annual Election." I would assume that at this stage, only another warrant and public vote can change the original outcome. I would request that the Board of Selectman secure a credible legal opinion on the binding nature of the warrant as voted, **prior** to any further action, and suspend any activity that conflicts with the warrant until that opinion is received. As this issue was raised a number of times by people at the public forum last night, the public should also be made aware of this legal opinion once in hand.
- There is no doubt that the experience at our town beaches had been deteriorating over the past several years, prior to the implementation of restrictions. We had witnessed this first hand at all three beaches, Full parking lots, overcrowded beaches, poor water quality, trash and bad behavior had really changed the experience for so many residents and guests. By way of example, we were last at Brewster beach two years ago where a large group of non resident visitors were so disruptive that the police had to be called in. We have not returned to Brewster since. In contrast, we have seen a remarkable improvement in access, beach behavior and water quality at both Carry and Albee since the restrictions were put in place. It is an absolute pleasure to go to these two beaches now! It is important to note that **all** overnight visitors to Wolfeboro also have access to this improved beach experience. We believe this will greatly contribute to repeat visitation and substantial "word of mouth" promotion of our one of a kind community.
- As I understand it, the town's beach access lease with Brewster Academy, allows for an opt out by either party with notice on an annual basis during the term of the lease. We are concerned that if the town of Wolfeboro fails to take action and improve the current situation at Brewster Beach, the town's access to this beautiful beach could be jeopardized over the long term. Enforcement, policing, beach maintenance and clean up all were raised at the meeting and deserve careful attention and proper resource allocation.
- I was concerned that we did not get to hear the specific position of the Chamber of Commerce last night, but instead testimony was submitted in writing with a brief statement in support of opening up all beaches. There was no explanation. As many people in the community believe that the Chamber is behind the effort to reopen beach access, in the spirit of transparency, it is critically important that the residents get to hear first hand the business community's specific position and concerns. If not already done so, I believe that the Chamber's written statement should be made available and easily accessible to Wolfeboro residents electronically.
- A number of folks raised concerns about the need for better support and care of our town beaches. A comment was made by Selectman Brian Deshaies on the management of our beach resources. He mentioned the Lakes Region Conservation Trust's stewardship and volunteer programs. I think that this is a terrific idea and believe that there would be a lot of interest within the community to help out.

- I am strongly opposed to the formation of a committee that is focused on making recommendations as to beach access and parking. Again, Wolfeboro residents and taxpayers have already publicly voted on this issue and setting up a committee to make recommendations that may attempt to alter this vote is unnecessary and illegitimate. I would however suggest the formation of a committee with the express and limited purpose of making recommendations on how to best manage and improve our beaches (.ie trash collection, attendant support, volunteer coordination etc.) There are so many opportunities and I do believe that the community response would be very positive,

In summary:

- I support recognizing the voters adoption of the existing warrant and believe that Carry and Albee beach restrictions should remain in place as is, unless and only if the residents and tax payers of Wolfeboro decide to change the existing warrant by public vote.
- I do not think we need a uniform beach policy. Given substantial resident concerns however, I do believe that the Brewster Beach situation should be monitored more closely, and enforcement and clean up needs to be a priority. If the situation does not improve, the voters should, and likely will, exercise their right to submit an article by petition to a warrant at an upcoming public vote, specifically mirroring Carry and Albee beach access policies.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback on this very important issue.

Amy Capone-Muccio

From: Anne
Sent: Tuesday, July 27, 2021 11:47 PM
To: Amy Capone-Muccio
Subject: Beaches

For the Town Manager:

Should the Town of Wolfeboro have a uniform policy for all beach parking lots? **Yes, if feasible.**

Should the Town of Wolfeboro have separate policies for all beach parking lots? **Only in the case of Brewster because they own the beach.**

Should the Town of Wolfeboro restrict the beach parking lots to residents only? **Yes and include lodging guests. The overuse and abuse of Albee and Carry have been evident. The taxpayers pay for the maintenance and yet it is being abused by out of towners who should be using Wentworth State Park. Residents should be able to easily access the beaches and their natural beauty should not be degraded by overuse and a taxed septic system and bath house.**

Should the Town of Wolfeboro restrict the beach parking lots to residents, taxpayers, guests and commercial businesses? **Only inns and hotels - not all commercial businesses.**

Should the Town of Wolfeboro beach parking lots be open to the general public?
No. The crowding, degradation, and lack of maintenance are evident. The beaches are often abused by people seeking a freebie for the day and precluding taxpayers access. The internet has turned our famous free beaches into destinations for camps and crowds. Look at Trip Advisor!

Should the Board create a volunteer committee of 5 to 8 residents to review the July 27 public forum comments and recommendations? The volunteer committee will provide its recommendations to the Board of Selectmen.
Just do what the voters have said. A committee might not represent the voters wishes. Too often self-interests get on these town committees.

Should the Board of Selectmen use the comments and recommendations from the July 27 public forum to draft any changes to the Brewster Beach, Albee Beach and Carry Beach parking lot ordinance and hold a public hearing on the drafted changes? A volunteer committee would not be formed.

If in fact the voters wishes can be honored by the BoS, it seems more expedient. After all this isn't the first time down this road. Just do it as the public has asked. The report of degradation of Albee Beach is horrifying. Between crowds and lack of maintenance, it is a precious resource that should no longer be abused.

Wolfeboro resident

Amy Capone-Muccio

From: Marie Malloy
Sent: Tuesday, July 27, 2021 10:50 PM
To: Amy Capone-Muccio
Subject: Use of Town Beaches

Dear Selectmen and Women,

Thank you for hosting tonight's opportunity for residents, taxpayers and voters to share their ideas and concerns about Wolfeboro's beaches.

I am not a resident, but, as a homeowner, I am a taxpayer. As I cannot vote in Wolfeboro, I was unaware of the ongoing controversy. I attended this meeting as a way of becoming better informed.

Like so many, I have been coming Wolfeboro and Lake Winnepesaukee, for nearly 50 years.

My parents own property on Barn Door Island. Although it is technically located in Alton, our hearts have always been in Wolfeboro.

Both as a child, and as a parent of young children we regularly enjoyed the Wolfeboro beaches. There is nothing better, as a child, than being able to play in the sand, on a beach! When they got older, we rode bikes to Albee where we had picnic lunches. Our kids have been lifeguards at all three beaches. I am deeply saddened to learn of the abuses the beaches are experiencing. They are precious resources that need to be protected.

I now own my own home in Wolfeboro, and am relieved that under the new rules I will still be able to invite family and guests to experience these lovely little beaches. I am disturbed, however, that so many others will be shut out.

I agree with tonight's speakers who suggested that the solution to abuse of our beautiful beaches is appropriate user fees. Nothing in this world is "Free"...Taxpayers already bear the cost of maintaining and appropriately staffing the beaches. It is fair to ask other users to pay a daily or even seasonal fee for access. Permits should absolutely be required for groups larger than 10? A fee set even slightly higher than the State parks' would likely thoroughly discourage bus groups.

BUT please don't limit use solely to residents, taxpayers and our assorted guests. That kind of "message of exclusivity" is so out of step with a local economy that is heavily economically dependent on its tourists, whether they come from far away or the next town over, whether they stay for the day or for the summer. Does Wolfeboro really want to send the message that only *some* people are welcome here?

Thank you again for both the opportunity to attend tonight's meeting, and to share this reflection.

Sincerely,
Marie Malloy
Wolfeboro

Monday, July 26, 2021

Dear Board of Selectmen,

Because we cannot attend the Public Forum on July 27, this letter comments on the Wolfeboro Beach concerns. If it is decided that a committee form to review the public thoughts and recommendations, consider us happy volunteers!

John and Virginia Corson, our ancestors, built this home at 90 Clark Road in 1955. At that time, there was no road from Clark to Brewster Beach. The few families who lived here then walked a wooded pathway. Other people accessed the beach via Brewster campus. People now drive, walk or ride the beach road directly across from our driveway. We enjoy the comings and goings of all people throughout the year. Regardless of the season, access to Lake Winnepesaukee offers respite, recreation and reflection. These waters belong to everyone.

The Carry, as we call it, was exactly that; Native peoples carried canoes across this isthmus from Winter Harbor to Jockey Cove and back again as they lived their lives sharing the land and the water. This, of course, was pre-contact. Once European settlers arrived... Well, we know the rest of that story, don't we?

The Oldest Summer Resort in America is Wolfeboro's motto. We have a long, proud history of receiving guests. We welcome shoppers and diners and provide them with public parks, public parking, and public bathrooms, all paid for with town taxes. We offer museums, lodging, and boat access. It contradicts everything we stand for to exclude our visitors from Wolfeboro's beaches.

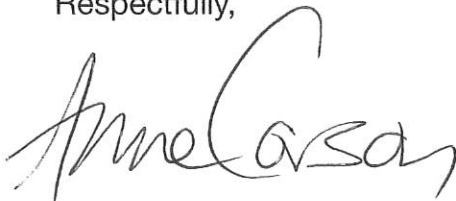
Our school district, hospital, public works departments, restaurants, and shops are staffed by many who do not live here. Our students have friends from Middleton, Tuftonboro, Ossipee, Effingham, Farmington, New Durham and Brookfield. All are excluded from parking at The Carry and Albee Beaches as the current ordinance states.

If problems exist at these beaches, let us first identify the issues clearly and then decide how best to solve them. Let's collect some data and move forward in a more informed manner. Let's devise an equitable plan that is more kind-hearted and friendly to all.

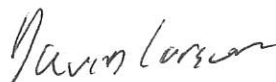
We whole-heartedly support you forming a volunteer, or your own, committee to consider recent comments and recommendations. We encourage you to broaden the scope in analyzing the issues with our waters and our beaches, and work with us to problem solve in a more inclusive and equitable manner.

Thank you for the opportunity to speak publicly about this very important matter. Your efforts to help resolve these issues do not go unnoticed.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Anne Corson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, sweeping initial "A".

Anne Corson

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Corson". The signature is cursive and somewhat stylized, with a large initial "D".

David Corson

I am happy to volunteer to clean Carry Beach.

My name is Janice Shannon. My husband and I live year-round at 31 Sewall Road. We have been in Wolfeboro for 10 years and in New Hampshire for more than 40 years. I am in support of keeping the current policy of restricting Carry and Albee Beach parking lot access to residents, taxpayers, and all guests, including those in the hundreds of rooms in hotels, inns, house rentals, etc. (I believe that Brewster Beach policy should be a collaboration with Brewster Academy.)

I have lived in 4 towns in my lifetime with lakes and town beaches. All of them restricted residents to maintain their quality. On Lake Winnepesaukee, Moultonboro, Gilford, Center Harbor and Meredith all have restricted parking.

My husband and I love to swim, and we go to the beach almost every day in summer, mostly to Carry Beach. It had always been a pleasure to spend time there until the climate of the beach changed, due to public access creating overcrowding.

I observed many of these issues with the crowds at Carry Beach. Large groups took up big spaces with coolers and food for entire the day. The beach area was often overcrowded. The parking lot was packed on warm days, and I sometimes couldn't find a place to park. The noise level, including Boom boxes, were unsuitable for such a small beach. Trash and food attracted numerous ducks which carry bacteria. The swimming area was over-used, and the water didn't look so clear and clean anymore. This was not a good scenario for residents or for attracting new visitors to continue to vacation in Wolfeboro.

Since the current policy of restricting parking (this summer and last summer) I feel there is a much nicer climate for ~~enjoying~~ the beach again. The crowd size is appropriate for the small size of Carry Beach. I don't see trash on the beach. The noise level is not an issue. I have not seen any ducks on the beach. Weather permitting, the beach is busy, but is once again, a pleasure to visit, not just for me, but for the overnight guests in our many establishments.

I believe that maintaining the quality of our beaches, and the beach experience, will protect them for our future generations of residents. It will also draw overnight visitors to come back and visit, to swim, to shop, to eat in restaurants and to stay at our commercial establishments. This brings more dependable and significant revenue to all of Wolfeboro than any beach day trippers might bring.

Lovely beach experiences will ensure that Wolfeboro will remain a lovely place to vacation for many years to come. I'd be happy to serve on a committee

July 27, 2021

Comments to the Board of Selectmen

My name is Nancy Hirshberg. I am a resident and taxpayer here in Wolfeboro. I am speaking for myself, Liz Bean, Susan Hirshberg and John Wall.

Thank you to the Board of Selectmen for this forum to take input from the public on this challenging issue.

We have enjoyed all of our beautiful beaches for decades. It had always been an enormous source of pride for us that our community shared our beaches with all for free.

Even before COVID, it became clear in recent years that our wonderful community has been discovered. It has created traffic and parking challenges and put pressure on many of our town's resources, including our docks, our rail trail and of course, our beautiful beaches. Covid has only exacerbated the situation. Wolfeboro is by no means unique. Desirable communities around the region and nation struggle with the same challenges. We believe this pressure will continue to grow. We need to deal with these challenges in a very thoughtful, creative and smart way.

We understand the frustration some feel. It is no fun arriving at our town beaches to find that you cannot park. Of course locals feel entitled to our beaches and feel frustrated when they cannot park there.

We understand the sentiment which caused some in our community last year to vote to restrict parking at two of our three beaches. But we say with enormous respect that we strongly disagree.

We GREATLY appreciate the excellent intentions of all involved in trying to protect the beaches for our community, but we believe there is a way for us to do this and still be the welcoming town that we have always been. We have seen it done in other communities. There is a balance that we have not even tried to attain. Without trying other less extreme solutions we went straight to rolling up the welcome mat, and there were unintended consequences.

Whether the numbers during Covid last year are accurate or not, obviously closing two out of three of our beaches to parking for non-residents is going to force an increase at the one remaining open beach. And there were problems galore. As a result, there is an interest among some in town to put the same parking limitations on the last Town beach.

The problem is that by looking at each of our town beaches individually, a well-intentioned but narrow beach by beach examination of the problem has resulted in outcomes that we doubt the organizers ever anticipated. The outcome has been that ALL of our beaches have lost their lifeguards (except during programs) and it has forced one beach to become as the neighbors describe "a nightmare". This is unacceptable.

We are not the first community to struggle with this issue. Communities everywhere have been dealing with these challenges for years and have developed a plethora of creative solutions. Let's learn from them. We need to look at the many ways that these communities have addressed these challenges. Kittery for instance handles each beach in a different way. One beach has free parking for non-residents but it is further away. One has free parking for residents but non-residents pay a fee. Some places have

certain days of the week that parking is restricted to residents only and it rotates among the beaches so that there is always one that is restricted for residents, and on and on.

Like most, we want to see locals be able to access the beaches easily.

We want to see our beaches cared for and protect the natural resources.

We also want Wolfeboro to be a community where we welcome visitors.

We believe we can do all of the above.

We can be smarter and do better than having beaches that are now without lifeguards and putting pressure on one beach over the others.

To answer your questions,

1. Should the Town of Wolfeboro have a uniform policy for all beach parking lots?

NO. It should look at all of them together, research creative solutions used in other communities, and adopt a plan that works for all of the beaches.

2. Should the Town of Wolfeboro have separate policies for all beach parking lots?

Possibly. Each beach should be evaluated for its unique characteristics such as parking lot size, number of visitors, facilities, beach size, pressure on natural resources, etc. but solutions must be considered in the context of the whole- all three beaches so that we do not address a problem at one beach and create another problem at a different beach.

3. Should the Town of Wolfeboro restrict the beach parking lots to residents only?

NO. Never.

4. Should the Town of Wolfeboro restrict the beach parking lots to residents, taxpayers, guests and commercial businesses?

It's possible that after analysis and research that is one of the solutions at some beaches but part of a holistic plan for all three beaches. **All efforts should be made to try solutions first that allow the greatest number of visitors to enjoy our beaches.** For instance, if day camps are filling our beaches, establish limits.

Especially concerning is that there are children from neighboring towns who attend elementary through high school here who are now excluded from parking at the beaches with their families.

5. Should the Town of Wolfeboro beach parking lots be open to the general public?

Yes, as best we can while still protecting the natural resources and meeting the needs of the residents and taxpayers to have beach access.

Questions 6 and 7 we will answer together:

6. Should the board create a volunteer committee of 5 to 8 residents to review the July 27th public forum comments and recommendations?

7. Should the Board of Selectmen use the comments and recommendations from the July 27th public forum to draft any changes to the Brewster Beach, Albee Beach and Carry Beach parking lot ordinance and hold a public hearing on the drafted changes? (A volunteer committee would not be formed.)

We understand that the Selectmen are fully within their legal authority to evaluate the situation with the beaches and update the beach ordinance. We fully support the Selectmen creating a process for gathering input and looking deeper into the issues with all three beaches. We encourage in addition to this forum that the Selectmen study what other communities have done to address these challenges AND collect data from our own beaches to inform the recommendations. Whether it is the Selectmen themselves, Town staff, and/or a volunteer task force that does this work, we defer to the Selectmen as to the best process. Whatever the process, draft recommendations should then be made to the community. With that input, final recommendations should then be created that would then go back to the voters in a warrant article.

The piecemeal approach of limiting access by restricting public parking beach by beach does not serve our residents, our visitors, or our businesses well. What we need is a comprehensive approach to all of our beaches whose spirit exemplifies our legacy as a tourist haven and the "Oldest Summer Resort in America". Let's study all three of the beaches and come up with a plan. We can do better.

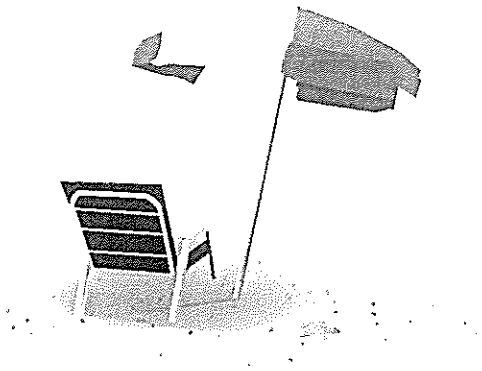
Signed by Wolfeboro residents,

Elizabeth Bean

Nancy Hirshberg

Susan Hirshberg

John Wall



Notice of Public Forum

Tuesday, July 27, 2021 (rain date 7/29)

6:00 PM

@ the Foss Field Pavilion (Lehner Street)

The public is invited to attend a public forum hosted by the Wolfeboro Board of Selectmen to seek comments on the Town public beach parking lots; Albee Beach, Carry Beach and Brewster Beach.

The Board will entertain comments on the following:

1. Should the Town of Wolfeboro have a uniform policy for all beach parking lots?
2. Should the Town of Wolfeboro have separate policies for all beach parking lots?
3. Should the Town of Wolfeboro restrict the beach parking lots to residents only?
4. Should the Town of Wolfeboro restrict the beach parking lots to residents, taxpayers, guests and commercial businesses?
5. Should the Town of Wolfeboro beach parking lots be open to the general public?
6. Should the Board create a volunteer committee of 5 to 8 residents to review the July 27 public forum comments and recommendations? The volunteer committee will provide its recommendations to the Board of Selectmen.
7. Should the Board of Selectmen use the comments and recommendations from the July 27 public forum to draft any changes to the Brewster Beach, Albee Beach and Carry Beach parking lot ordinance and hold a public hearing on the drafted changes? A volunteer committee would not be formed.

Wolfeboro Community Television will be present to record the meeting for broadcasting.

Please bring your own chair and practice social distancing.

For questions regarding this hearing please contact the Town Manager's office at 569-8161. If you wish to send written responses please email them to tmsecretary@wolfeboronh.us or mail them to PO Box 629 Wolfeboro NH 03894- Attention Town Manager's office. Written responses will be accepted until July 29th.

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The volunteer committee will provide its recommendations to the Board of Selectmen.

7. Should the Board of Selectmen use the comments and recommendations from the July 27 public forum to draft any changes to the Brewster Beach, Albee Beach and Carry Beach parking lot ordinance and hold a public hearing on the drafted changes? _____
A volunteer committee would not be formed.

ABBREVIATED HISTORY ALBEE BEACH PURCHASE & USE
AS TAKEN FROM TOWN RECORDS

SINCE TAXPAYERS PURCHASED ALBEE BEACH IN 1988 AND UNTIL 2016
IT WAS A RESIDENTS/FAMILY TAXPAYERS AND GUEST BEACH PER CODE AND VOTE
OVER TWO DECADES

-1988 WARRANT ARTICLE #5

PURCHASED ALAN ALBEE BEACH. \$730,000 (7 year Bond)
TOWN MEETING DISCUSSION "THAT THE BEACH IS FOR OUR FAMILY AND
CHILDREN OF OUR COMMUNITYA BEACH FOR SWIMMING...SELECTMEN GANON
STATED..."FOR A TOWN BEACH". 2/3rds vote required. PASSED. 446-122

-1989 WARRANT ARTICLE #9.

ESTABLISH BEACH RULES
TOWN MEETING DISCUSSION FEES & RULES FOR "NEW" BEACHES....
SELECTMEN BREWITT "BEACHES WOULD BE USED BY TAXPAYERS AND THER
GUESTS". PASSED 177-166

-1990 WARRANT ARTICLE #16 CITIZEN PETITION STATED FOR RESIDENTS ONLY
TABLED AS SELECTMEN OFFERED ANOTHER SUCH ORDINANCE

* -1990 WARRANT ARTICLE #20 TOWN BEACH ORDINANCE USES
STATES FIRST LINE....."USE OF CARRY BEACH AND ALLEN ALBEE BEACH SHALL
BE LIMITED TO RESIDENTS AND TAXPAYERS OF THE TOWN OF WOLFEBORO AND
THEIR GUESTS"

PASSED VOICE VOTE

HENCE TOWN ORDINANCE CHAPTER 16 BEACHES AND RULES
ADOPTED AND CODIFIED

-2012 WARRANT ARTICLE # 18 CONSTRUCT ALBEE BEACH BATH HOUSE \$125,000
TO REPLACE POT-A-POTTIES AND PROVIDE FOR TOWN RUN ORGANIZED
RECREATIONAL USES PASSED 960-391

PR/102 100 lines on Sany Day LATER Report 300-500

-2016 MARCH 16th BOARD OF SELECTMEN IN EFFECT REPEALED WARRANT ARTICLE
#20 RESIDENTS/TAXPAYERS /FAMILY & GUESTS
AND AMENDED WITH UPDATED PARKING CURFEW AND FINES WITHIN
CHAPTER 16

*2019 TOWN
161 votes per
season
TIPPING POINT*

1ST) BOS MINUTES 3/16/16 VOTED TO:
APPROVE CURFEW 16.1 RESTRICTIONS ON PARKING AND BATHING VIOLATIONS AND
PENALTIES DELETE THE REFERENCE TO CARRY BEACH, CHANGE THE CREFEW AND
CHANGE FINES FOR VIOLATING

"THIS IS SO ANYONE ONE CAN USE THE PUBLIC BEACHES AND PARKING"

2ND) BOS MINUTES 3/16/16 VOTED TO:
DELETE ARTICLE II PARKING SECTIONS 16-2 USE OF BEACHES
16-3 DEFINITIONS, 16-4 PARKING PERMITS AND GUESTS AND
16-5

NOTE: CHAPTER 16-8 STATES: "THIS ORDINANCE SUPERSEDES ANY AND ALL
PRECEDING ORDINANCES PERTAINING TO THE WOLFEBORO TOWN BEACHES"

*2019 Oct 10 grants news 16, for visitors per season albee
Question "TIPPING POINT"*

*2020 - WA# 33 PASSED
24 869-467
CIR-212*

Upon a petition of 25 or more registered voters of the Town of Wolfeboro NH in accordance
With RSA 39:3

Are you in favor of *protecting and preserving* Albee Beach on Lake Wentworth from over use and degradation thus *to ensure protection of this town asset for generations to come* by directing the Wolfeboro Board of Selectmen to revise the Town Beach Code Ordinance Chapter 16 Beach Parking to limit the use to Wolfeboro residents and/or taxpayers, their families, and residents guests. The exceptions may be but not limited to the following: registered guests of licensed Town of Wolfeboro Motels/Hotels/B&B's/Camp Ground, and Cotton Valley Trail Users, Special Events as permitted by the BOS , Sailing and Swim Lesson and Day programs as sponsored by the Town. The Beach Code Relative to the Use of Parking and Albee Town Beach shall be under the jurisdiction of the Wolfeboro Board of Selectmen *in accordance with RSA 41:8 management of Prudential affairs and 41:11-a manage and regulate use of town property.*

Name Sign.

Print.

Address

Majority Vote Required

ARTICLE 35: Brewster Beach (petitioned) (Non-Monetary)

To see if the Town will vote to direct the Wolfeboro Board of Selectmen to amend the below listed sections of the Wolfeboro Beach Ordinance as follows:

16-2:a Brewster Beach parking lot access is limited to Wolfeboro residents, taxpayers and guests. Guests include overnight guests at any licensed hotel, motel, inn, boarding house, campground, lodging house, bed and breakfast or housekeeping cottages situated in the Town of Wolfeboro. Guests also include guests of Brewster Academy and participants in scheduled program events, such as swim meets and triathlons.

16-4 (3):a 3-The parking lot at Brewster Beach will require a Wolfeboro Solid Waste Facility sticker or beach pass.

ARTICLE 36: NH Resolution for Fair Nonpartisan Redistricting (petitioned) (Non-Monetary)

By petition of 25 or more eligible voters of the Town of Wolfeboro to see if the town will vote to urge that the New Hampshire General Court, which is obligated to redraw the maps of political districts within the state following the federal census, will ensure fair and effective representation of New Hampshire voters without gerrymandering.

Additionally, these voters ask the Town of Wolfeboro to urge the NH General Court to carry out the redistricting in a fair and transparent way through public meetings, not to favor a particular political party, to include communities of interest, and to minimize multi-seat districts.

The record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by written notice from the Wolfeboro Selectmen to our state legislators, informing them of the demands from their constituents within 30 days of vote.

Chapter 16. Beaches

[HISTORY: Adopted by the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Wolfeboro 5-22-2019.^[1] Amendments noted where applicable.]

GENERAL REFERENCES

Peddling at public beaches — See Ch. 73.

Town docks — See Ch. 112, Art. II.

[1] *Editor's Note: This enactment superseded former Ch. 16, Beaches, Art. I, Curfew, adopted 5-27-1970 by the Board of Selectmen. Former Art. II, Parking, adopted 3-13-1990 ATM by Art. 20, was repealed 3-16-2016 by the Board of Selectmen.*

§ 16-1. Regulated areas.

A. All of the property at Albee Beach, Carry Beach, and Brewster Beach.

§ 16-2. Use of premises.

[Added 6-17-2020 by the Board of Selectmen^[1]]

- A. Brewster Beach is open to the general public as agreed to in the lease between Brewster Academy and the Town of Wolfeboro dated May 8, 2001.
- B. Albee Beach parking lot access is limited to Wolfeboro residents, taxpayers, and guests. Guests include Cotton Valley Trail users or overnight guests at any licensed hotel, motel, inn, boarding house, campground, lodging house, bed-and-breakfast or housekeeping cottages situated in the Town of Wolfeboro.
- C. Carry Beach parking lot access is limited to Wolfeboro residents, taxpayers, their families, and their guests. Guests include overnight guests at any licensed hotel, motel, inn, boarding house, camp ground, lodging house, bed and breakfast or housekeeping cottages situated in the Town of Wolfeboro.

[1] *Editor's Note: This ordinance also renumbered former § 116-2 through § 116-8 as § 116-3 through § 116-10, respectively.*

§ 16-3. Authority.

The Wolfeboro Board of Selectmen is hereby empowered to enact such rules and regulations as it deems necessary from time to time to effect the provisions of this chapter.

§ 16-4. Parking.

A. Parking lot access restrictions.

provide written notice of violation(s) and the schedule of penalties.

§ 16-9. Schedule of penalties.

Violation of any of the provisions of this chapter shall be punishable by a fine of not less than \$50. Each day shall constitute a separate offense, and any subsequent violations shall be punishable by a fine of not less than \$150. Violators may also be removed from the beach area.

§ 16-10. Saving clause.

This chapter supersedes any and all preceding ordinances pertaining to the Wolfeboro Town beaches.