

Bylaws of the Save Our Beach Association

ARTICLE I: NAME

Section 1: The name of the organization shall be Save Our Beach Association (SOBA).

ARTICLE II: OBJECTIVE

Section 1: The objective of the organization shall be to improve the quality, safety, beauty, and ecology of Surfside Beach, Texas.

The organization shall be a non-profit group.

ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1: Membership in this organization shall be open to all persons interested in the welfare of Surfside Beach, Texas.

Section 2: Dues shall be \$15 per person or \$25 per household, which shall be payable in March of each year. New members joining after January 1 shall be considered paid through March of the following year.

ARTICLE IV: OFFICERS AND ELECTIONS

Section 1: Officers of the organization shall be President, 1st Vice-President, 2nd Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, and Parliamentarian. These officers shall constitute the Executive Board, which shall meet on a quarterly basis in April, July, October, and January.

Section 2: The President shall appoint a nominating committee at the February meeting. This committee shall submit a slate of proposed nominees for the Executive Board at the March meeting. Nominations from the floor shall also be accepted, provided that the nominee is present, or, if he/she is absent, submits written consent to his/her nomination.

Section 3: Members shall elect officers in March and take office in April.

Section 4: A. The President shall preside at all SOBA meetings and the Executive Board. The President shall appoint committee chairmen as needed and shall be an ex-officio member of all committees.

- B. The Vice-Presidents shall assist the President whenever necessary and shall serve in the absence of the President.
- C. The Recording Secretary shall take all minutes at meetings of the club and the Executive Board.
- D. The Treasurer shall receive and pay out all monies of the organization, sign all checks, and keep a record of all receipts and expenditures. The Treasurer shall keep an up-to-date list of all members. The Executive Committee shall approve all expenditures over \$50.00. The President shall appoint three (3) members to audit the Treasurer's records at the end of each year.
- E. The Parliamentarian shall know all the bylaws of the organization and shall give an opinion to all questions pertaining to parliamentary use when asked. The Parliamentarian shall be familiar with ***Robert's Rules of Order, Revised***.

Section 5: The Executive Board shall appoint a member to fill a board vacancy that occurs during the year.

ARTICLE V: MEETINGS

Section 1: The Save Our Beach Association shall hold monthly meetings, beginning at 2:00 PM on the first Saturday following the Surfside Beach city council meeting, which is the second Tuesday of each month.

The Executive Board may change regular meeting dates. Members shall be notified of any changes in meeting dates or times.

Section 2: The Executive Board may call special meetings.

Section 3: Order of Business

The business meeting shall be conducted in the following order:

- a. Call to Order
- b. Reading of the Minutes
- c. Treasurer's Report
- d. Report of Officers or Chairmen
- e. Unfinished (Old) Business
- f. New Business
- g. Adjourn

ARTICLE VI: AMENDMENTS

Section 1: These bylaws may be amended at any regular meeting by a two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) vote of those present, provided that the proposed amendment was submitted in writing and read at two (2) consecutive SOBA meetings.

Section 2: Officers' term limits shall be for a maximum two-year period.

*SOBA adopted these bylaws on 6/14/1980.

**SOBA amended these bylaws on 05/2003, 03/2004, 04/2008, 10/2010, 11/2010, 5/2011, and 04/22/2017.

