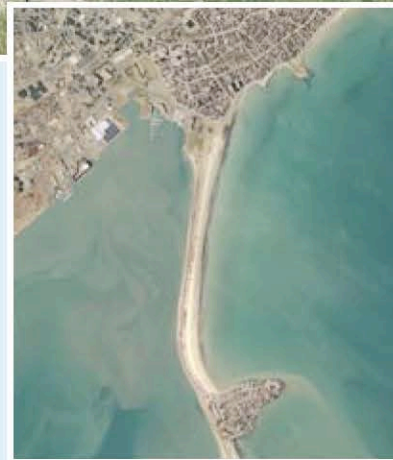


LYNN AND NAHANT PUBLIC HEARING SUMMARY



King's Beach and Nahant Beach

"The beaches are a necessity, not a luxury, for residents, and additional resources are needed in order to maintain them."

– Senator and Commissioner Thomas McGee

"The Lynn and Nahant beaches are an absolute jewel, but the biggest problem is that they are very unpolished at the moment."

– Mike Manning, Nahant Selectman

"It's important to remember that when so much money is spent on the beach that there is a commitment that needs to be made to maintain those improvements, otherwise they will fall apart and waste the taxpayers' money."

– Robert Tucker, President, Friends of Lynn and Nahant Beaches

PUBLIC HEARING HIGHLIGHTS

The Commission hosted a public hearing in Lynn, for residents of both Lynn and Nahant, on August 2, 2006. Over 40 people attended, and the Commission heard from elected officials, community leaders, public safety officials, small business owners, and residents

WHAT'S WORKING WELL

- Great swimmable beach
- Good landscaping at Red Rock
- Great resource for migrating birds... dune habitat
- Summer concerts series is excellent... friends group
- Excellent police patrols

WHAT'S NOT WORKING

- Ward Bathhouse in very poor condition—bathrooms don't work; water fountain is broken
- Causeway in very poor condition, raising safety concerns
- Poor maintenance; need more frequent trash pickup
- Need better enforcement of littering and dog rules
- Sand is infrequently cleaned
- Smell of algae can be unbearable

BEACH INFORMATION

NAHANT BEACH

Miles: 2 miles

Bathhouse: yes (Ward Bathhouse is in poor condition, Halfway House was demolished in 2000 and is scheduled to reopen in July 2007)

Bathrooms: yes (some bathhouse toilets work)

Water: no (fountains don't work)

Snack Bar/Food: yes (variety of eat-in and take-out)

Shade: no

Parking: yes

Public Transportation: yes (#439 bus)

KING'S BEACH

Miles: 0.8 miles

Bathhouse: no

Bathrooms: no

Water: no

Snack Bar/Food: yes (vendor at Lynn/Swampscott line)

Shade: no

Parking: yes

Public Transportation: yes (#439 bus)