

1954 Rights of Way Committee Report

To the citizens of Nantucket, this committee submits the following facts and recommendations:

We wish to report that Smith's Point and South Beach shore reservations plans have been approved by the General Court and the County has taken the proper legal action to acquire same for public use.

The purchase of 2400 feet of shore front at Dionis has been completed by the town and cement posts will be erected, marking boundaries of the property and a road will be laid out from Eel Point road into the property.

A deed to a tract of beach at Mioxes Pond on the South Shore, given by Mrs. E. O. Gardner, has been accepted and recorded by this Town.

The Town has received 100 feet of shore front in return for Delaware Street (40 feet wide) in Madaket, from Mr. Sidney Killen s voted upon by the past annual town meeting.

A road is being laid out from the end of Wauwinet Road, north to a point beyond the last house on the beach, with one road leading to the outer shore and two leading to the head of the harbor. These for public use.

Members of this committee accompanied the County Commissioners on a reviewing of Squam Road and Squam Landing Road, and it is our understanding Squam Landing Road is to be relocated to the south, a way 3 feet wide to the shore with a turn around at the shore end. It is the only place along that section of beach where a doryman can land and drive handy to his dory as there is no bank at that point.

We have also been assured by the County Commissioners, the Town Counsel has thoroughly checked all the road [sic] leading to the shores acquired since this committee was formed by t[h]e 1952 Town Meeting and has found that all the legal steps have been properly carried out in the taking of the same.

The Town Counsel has been instructed to check the legality of 49 roads taken previous to 1952, so that cement posts may be erected marking them as public roads to the shore.

We are asking for \$750.00 this year for expense of setting cement posts, erecting suitable signs at beach areas, ariel [sic] photographs for plotting additional beach areas and ways.

We recommend that a record of all legally accepted roads leading to the shores be incorporated in he annual town report for 1955 for the public's information.

This committee welcomes the public's suggestions as to where they would like to see additional beach areas and ways to the shores established.

Respectfully submitted,

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