

March 21, 2021

Seabrook Board of Selectmen
99 Lafayette Road/P.O. Box 456
Seabrook, NH 03874
Re: Beach Placards
Attn: Board Members – Kelly O'Connor, Theresa Kyle, Ella Brown, Aboul Khan

Dear Seabrook Board Members:

I am writing to express my concerns and hope that Meadowstone Park residents will be able to get their placards again for beach parking at Seabrook Beach.

I am a NH/MA real estate agent for Keller Williams Realty in Newburyport, MA and my husband and I have been homeowners at Meadowstone Park for 18 years. Since being owners I have listed and sold most of the homes at Meadowstone. We have had a beach placard for Seabrook Beach since the time we took ownership. I do know most of the residents and communicate regularly with them so I hear the frustrations related to this situation.


Of the 106 homes in the park, there are a small handful who go to the beach. But the ones who do go would like to enjoy the amenity that they have had since they purchased. Having to walk the mile on Rte. 286 with chairs, coolers, etc. is not an option for most and a very dangerous situation without sidewalks or bike paths.

My husband is 85 and I am 79. We may go to the beach once a week. When we have gone it has never been crowded. The residents of Meadowstone Park are very respectful, do not hold rowdy parties, or leave trash or cars overnight. Could it be the renters who should be monitored. There is a no pet policy in the park and only about four residents have service dogs.

I can understand COVID-19 being a reason for last year, but I do not know how you can justify that being the reason this season since most all of us will be vaccinated by the time the season opens. If COVID-19 is the reason, then why the discussion about crowding, trash, cars overnight and rowdy parties. Most of the residents at Meadowstone are retirees who pay taxes and contribute to Seabrook's economy by shopping, eating out, and utilize all the Town of Seabrook services.

In conclusion, I respectfully ask the Board to reconsider beach placards to the original status and see no good reason why Meadowstone residents should not receive a beach parking placard for the coming season.

Sincerely,



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Resident/Owner at Meadowstone and NH/MA Licensed Realtor for Keller Williams Realty
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Cc: Matt and John McGarry, Park Owners
Norm and Kathy Dooley, Park Managers