PROPERTY HISTORY & PROJECT TIMELINE

OUR ISLAND COMMUNITY ANCHORS A HALF CENTURY OF SAVING THE ISLAND'S WORKING WATERFRONT

1964

The Shenandoah launches maiden voyage in Vineyard Haven harbor 1979

DeSorey Family purchases 30 Beach Rd. adding the lot to their abutting 34, 42, and 46 Beach Rd.

Gannon & Benjamin (G&B) building burns to ground and Island community comes to the rescue to rebuild G&B

1989

2023

Beach Head
Waterfront LLC with
Vineyard Lands for
our Community (VLC)
signs Purchase &
Sales Agreement
with DeSorcy Family
for adjacent 3 lots
(34–46 Beach Rd.)

2024

Ernie Boch, Jr. agrees to donate adjacent 20 Beach Rd. 2025

Closing on 42–46 Beach Rd. occurs on June 12 (Beach Head WaterFront LLC)

1978 - 79

A community-led campaign fiercely opposes "Golden Arches" and forces McDonald's to back down from its attempt to buy 30 Beach Rd. 1980

Nat Benjamin and Ross Gannon lease 30 Beach Rd. from DeSorcy Family and the storied Gannon & Benjamin Marine Railway is born 2021

Tisbury Working Waterfront (TWW) buys 30 Beach Rd. from DeSorcy Family to ensure G&B has secure property 2023

TWW agrees to donate 30 Beach Rd. to VLC

2024

Closing on 34 Beach Rd. occurs on September 13 2026-28

VLC receives approvals and Building Permit, begins and completes construction and Move In



