

By Laws' Committee Minutes
April 19, 2022

Attendees: Chair Carolyn DiLeo, Nancy Cordy, Deb Pannullo, Faith LaSalle, Lloyd Albert, and Carole Duffy

Call to Order: Carolyn called the meeting to order at 6:34 explaining the procedures in that there would be public comment opportunities as each Ordinance was mentioned. Mark would be maning zoom. 5 residents were in person and 9 were on zoom.

March minutes' ratification: Nancy **moved** to accept the minutes; 2nd Deb. **Motion** passed 5-0 as Lloyd had not yet arrived.

Message from the Chair:

- Ordinances have been updated ; they are not new.
- In every case, RI and Narragansett Ordinance guidelines were followed.
- Creating clearer language was a major objective.
- No major changes.
- The overriding focus was to protect the public for safety, security, and from liability.

Ordinance I (Relating to house construction , excavation or roadway construction....)

Recommendation is to repeal as BSFD cannot override Narragansett zoning ordinances and the Council members have no real estate expertise.

Comments: Question about bonding fee of \$5,000 for Narragansett. Other comments came from individuals with specific property queries which could not be addressed as they were not part of the Committee's mission.

Ordinance II Parking 1977 & 2011

Revised wording is reader friendly and Narragansett Ordinances will prevail.

No comments

Ordinance III Speeding

Narragansett Ordinances will prevail. 1977 & 2011

No comments

Ordinance IV Miscellaneous 1977 & 1984

Prior to audience comments, Chair DiLeo reminded everyone that the Committee's focus was on security, safety, and liability. Children would not be prevented from playing on the beach; alcohol references followed the "focus" guidelines.

Comments: Several individuals expressed issues about Kelly Beach restrictions and Faith explained the Ordinance needed to contain certain language to protect the Council from possible liability. Group agreed that **Sect. 3** would be eliminated and pertinent language would be added to **Sect .2** " disturbance or unsafe conditions".

Sect. 4 remains an open item until RI law can be researched. (Lloyd will also speak with Mike Tortolini on the subject). **Sect. 5** remains as is.

Ordinance V Litter 1977, 1984, & 2015
Repeal
No comments

Ordinance VI Trash 1977, 1984, & 2015
No comments

Ordinance VII Dogs 1977 & 2012

The Committee had decided at the March meeting that this Ordinance should be presented at the July Council Meeting to allow for a broad discussion opportunity.

Comments: Enforcement was questioned. Furthermore, it was explained that there is a “leash law” in RI which needs to be followed in Bonnet as well.

Ordinance VIII Rentals 1977, 2011, & 2012

Comments: Most of the discussion concerned the Narragansett property database and whether that was all that was needed to monitor Bonnet rentals. It doesn't appear to be current . (**Note:** my minutes are unclear about perhaps adding a \$300 fee for non registration of property)

Ordinance IX Abandoned property and vehicles 1984

District property is the issue, not private.

No comment

Ordinance X Harbor 1976, 2011, 2019, & 2020

This Ordinance is on hold due to many unanswered questions .

New Business

Cannot plan for reviewing Charter and ByLaws at this time.

Adjournment

Lloyd **moved** to adjourn the meeting; 2nd Nancy. **Motion** passed 6-0 at 8:20.

Respectfully submitted,
Carole Duffy

unratified