

Bonnet Shores Fire District Council
Bonnet Shores Fire District Community Center
130 Bonnet Shores Road
Narragansett, Rhode Island
Monthly Meeting
May20, 2015

Meeting Minutes

Call to order

Council Chair Lenny Mercier called the Council meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Those in attendance included Council Members: Janice McClanaghan, Matt Mannix, Paul Farley, John Pariseault, and Terry Fracassa. District Manager Lisa DiBello. Treasurer Mary McGinn, Tax Collector Helen Patience, Harbormaster Mike Tortolani and Clerk Carole Duffy were also present.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Assembly recited the Pledge of Allegiance along with observing a moment of silence for the men and women serving in the Armed Forces.

Urgent Business: Motion was made by P.Farley; 2nd by J.McClanaghan to approve house construction plans pending all

Narragansett approvals on Arroostook Trail **Motion** passed 6-0

Ratification of April, 2015 Minutes:

Motion: P. Farley made a motion to accept the April minutes; 2nd by T.Fracassa. **Discussion:** see amendment. **Motion** passed by those in attendance in April; 5-0 with the following amendment authored by M.Mannix..." Hard copies of minutes should be stored in the CC as electronic copies can be tampered with" M.Mannix abstained. **Motion:** P. Farley moved to accept the BSFD 2015/2016 budget; 2nd J.McClanaghan. **Motion** passed 5-0, J.Pariseault abstained

Committee Reports

- a) **Beautification Committee Report:** no report
- b) **Beach and Security Committee Reports:** see Janice McClanaghan's attached report & beach cleaning before June 15th
- c) **Public Works Committee Report:** no report
- d) **Social Committee Report:** no report
- e) **Pond Committee Report:** no report
- f) **Harbor Committee Report:** Chair Mercier reported that the Committee was seeking CRMC approval to move rocks from small jetty at Little Beach
- g) **By-Laws/ Ordinances / Bonnet Days / Memorial Bench Committee Report:** M.Mannix announced the date for Bonnet Days (July 11th)

Tax Collector's Report: 99 1/4% collection of taxes; see attached

Treasurer's Report: Level taxation for 2015/2016

Land Trust Report: no report

District Manager's Report: L. Di Bello gave the following report: playground equipment improvement; dumpster for yard waste every other week; bulky trash (July 22nd); Tag Sale (July 18th) , need to find landscaper for BSFD areas

Old Business:

* M. Mannix explained Ordinances V and VI J.McClanaghan **moved** to accept Ordinance V; 2nd by P.Farley **Motion** passed 6-0. J.McClanaghan **moved** to accept Ordinance VI 2nd T. Fracassa with the following wording change:" bins shall not be put out more than 24 hrs. before pick up" and shall **Motion** passed 6-0 See attached Ordinances. P. Farley responded to a question about changing the pickup day. It will be negotiated in the next contract
* Newsletter deadline was 5/16/2015

* J.Pariseault reported on the status of "traffic calming" ... \$4000 is the cost of purchasing 1 or more radar detection machines and there may be an opportunity for grant money according to Narragansett DPW engineer.

* J.Pariseault outlined the status of BSBC sewer project. ... invited President of Condo units to come to Bonnet for a meeting in June with plans and engineers then there would be a public hearing

Q&A: Will we have our own engineers there? We will take the information and then look into hiring an engineer.

What is CRMC file #? I will get it.

Does BSBC have a proposal for a line under the causeway? Yes

When do we deliberate about our needs? We hear the plan, gather information, and decide what to do.

What about future inspections at BSBC?

What if sewer line malfunctions; who is responsible?

What is status of inquiry about "conflict of interest"? No opinion yet.

- Annual meeting... J. McClanaghan **moved** to accept the agenda; 2nd P. Farley. **Motion** passed 6-0.

New Business:

- **Nominating Committee report**

T. Fracassa asked M.Mannix to reconsider running for Council. He said that he would not be running

Council nominees: J.McClanaghan & Michael Vendetti Land Trust: Jean Albert, Dave Stenmark, & Nancy Gordy

Tax Assessors: Judy Colarulli, Roz, Thomas, & Maryanne Vine Treasurer: Mary McGinn Tax

Collector: Helen Patience Clerk: Carole Duffy Moderator: Ray LaBelle Fire Wardens: Denise McCooey

& Natalie McDonald

Paul Haas continued by thanking all the Mannixs for their contributions to the BSFD over the years.

Period of Public Comment:

- Miki Dickinson reported that a Committee had been formed to address the tax assessments for selective properties on Col. J Gardner Rd. M. Mannix added that there would be a work session at the Narragansett Town Hall on Monday June 1st @ 6 PM to discuss this issue.

Meeting minutes will be available on tape on the Website after ratification

Adjournment

There being no further public comments or district business, the general meeting was over and the Council went into Executive Session to discuss compensation for work performed by the Clerk. P.Farley **moved** to close the Exec.Session , 2nd J.McClanaghan. All were in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 9:20 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Carole Duffy

Clerk: Carole Duffy

Ratified

July 15, 2015

To: Bonnet Shores Fire District Council

From: Janice McClanaghan
Chair –Beach Committee and Security Committee

Date: May 20, 2015

Subject: Beach/ Security Committee Report

1. **Bus:** Re-contacted the Town of Narragansett regarding the summer bus- I basically begged him to reconsider- he will give me an answer on Friday. I also contacted the beach club to see who they use-they also use the town buses. We decided if the town did not provide buses- we would go back to Ocean State transit and see if we can make a deal.
2. **Breachway:** Will call Bob Barber to close the breachway prior to June 15th so that the beach club will clean the beach. Lifeguard chairs will be put out that same weekend. We need to have the Little Beach lifeguard chair repaired prior to it going on the beach. Also a reminder Lenny to put remaining signs out at the beach and breachway.
3. **Contact Information:** Provided Helen with the wording for the insert for all tax bills regarding BSFD owners to provide their email and contact information-she will run it by her contact to see if ok. The same piece will also appear in the newsletter.
4. **Security Detail:** As decided, the night guard will be suspended during the month of June and resume in July along with the beach guard. Scheduling will occur later this month.

**BONNET SHORES FIRE DISTRICT
MONTHLY MEETING
May 20, 2015**

FY 2015:

Land Assessment:	\$ 271,086,500.00
Building Assessment:	\$ 215,669,700.00
Total Assessment:	\$ 486,756,200.00
Mil Rate:	0.5263
Collectable Taxes:	\$ 256,175.00
Taxes Collected:	\$ 254,207.87
Percentage of Taxes Collected:	99.23%
Interest Collected	\$ 1,349.09

FY2014:

Collectable Taxes:	\$ 256,215.17
Taxes Collected:	\$ 255,043.75
Percentage of Taxes Collected:	99.54%
2014 Unpaid Taxes:	\$ 1,171.42
Interest Collected Prior Years Taxes	\$ 1,213.43
Prior Years Taxes Uncollected:	\$ 1,483.98

Ordinance VI: Trash

VI. AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE REMOVAL OF TRASH AND GARBAGE FROM THE PROPERTY WITHIN THE DISTRICT

It is ordained by the Council of the Bonnet Shores Fire District, in the Town of Narragansett, Rhode Island, as follows:

SECTION 1. All trash and recyclables must be removed from the District on a regular and prompt basis for the protection of the health of all of the residents of the District, such removal to be done by the property owner directly or by an authorized public or private organization engaged in trash and recyclables removal.

SECTION 2. Disposal of any trash or recyclables into Narragansett Bay, either of the salt ponds or on any land within the District's boundaries, including the streets and roads, is strictly prohibited.

SECTION 3. When trash and recyclables removal is not provided by the District at the taxpayers' expense, each individual property owner must arrange for such removal at his own expense whether he is in residence or whether his property is occupied by other persons on a rental or non-rental basis. When trash and recyclables removal is provided by the District at taxpayers' expense, the District may or may not include the Bonnet Shores Beach Club Condominium Association, Inc. as part of that arrangement.

SECTION 4. Removal of trash and recyclables shall be performed at least one time per week.

SECTION 5. Trash and recycling bins shall not be overloaded. Individual property owners who consistently overload trash and recycling bins shall be required to purchase an additional bin or bins.

SECTION 6. Empty trash and recyclables bins shall be removed from the edge of the street by the owner of the bins within twenty-four (24) hours of the time that the trash and recyclables have been picked up.

shall not be put out more than 24 hrs before pick up and

SECTION 7. Any property owner who is in violation of any provision of this ordinance shall be subject to a fine imposed by the District Council in an amount not to exceed fifty (\$50.00) dollars for each offense, and said property owner may be subject to additional action by officials of the Town of Narragansett and/or the State of Rhode Island for creating a health hazard within the District.

Original Ordinance Adopted June 3, 1977

Revised September 1, 1984

Further Revised _____

Ordinance V: Litter

V. AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO LITTERING ON BONNET SHORES LAND TRUST AND/OR BONNET SHORES FIRE DISTRICT PROPERTY

It is ordained by the Council of the Bonnet Shores Fire District, in the Town of Narragansett, Rhode Island, as follows:

SECTION 1. It shall be unlawful for any person to dispose of or discard any items on any road, beach or open land area within the Bonnet Shores Fire District, under the ownership of either the Bonnet Shores Land Trust or the Bonnet Shore Fire District.

SECTION 2. Whoever violates the provisions of this ordinance shall be subject to a fine not exceeding fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each offense.

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Revised September 1, 1984

Further Revised _____