

BONNET SHORES FIRE DISTRICT
Council Meeting – Executive Session
Thursday, October 9, 2025

MEETING MINUTES - PUBLIC

1. Call to Order

- Leslie McKnight, Chair of the BSFD Council called the meeting to order at 8:03am.
- Council members in attendance included: Leslie McKnight, John Cherestine, Kevin O'Brien, Faith LaSalle and Jane Duran (Tony Girardi and Melissa Jenkins were not present).

2. Motion, Discussion and Vote to appoint an acting clerk from the Council members in attendance for the Executive Session.

- J. Duran volunteered to be acting clerk and made the motion accordingly.
- L. McKnight seconded the motion.
- There was a unanimous Vote (5-0) to approve the motion to appoint J. Duran as acting clerk for this meeting.

3. Motion, Discussion and Vote to enter Executive Session

- J. Chereskin made the motion to enter Executive Session.
- K. O'Brien seconded the motion.
- There was a unanimous Vote (5-0) to approve the motion to enter into Executive Session as follows:
 - ✓ J. Chereskin: Approved
 - ✓ K. O'Brien: Approved
 - ✓ F. LaSalle: Approved
 - ✓ L. McKnight: Approved
 - ✓ J. Duran: Approved
- The Council members in attendance went into Executive Session and were joined by Attorney Dickinson, BSFD Legal Counsel.

4. Return to Open Session

- J. Duran made the motion to return to Open Session
- J. Chereskin seconded the motion.
- There was a unanimous Vote (5-0) to approve the motion to return to open session as follows:
 - ✓ J. Chereskin: Approved
 - ✓ K. O'Brien: Approved
 - ✓ F. LaSalle: Approved
 - ✓ L. McKnight: Approved
 - ✓ J. Duran: Approved
- The Council members in attendance returned to Open Session.

5. Sealing the Executive Session Minutes

- J. Chereskin made a motion to seal the minutes of the Executive Session pursuant to R.I.G.L. § 42-46-4 on the grounds that disclosure would jeopardize any strategy, negotiation, or investigation undertaken.
- L. McKnight seconded the motion.

- There was a unanimous Vote (5-0) to approve the motion to seal the Executive Session minutes as follows:
 - ✓ J. Chereskin: Approved
 - ✓ K. O'Brien: Approved
 - ✓ F. LaSalle: Approved
 - ✓ L. McKnight: Approved
 - ✓ J. Duran: Approved

6. Report of any votes taken in Executive Session

- J. Duran, acting clerk, reported that the Council members in attendance voted unanimously to communicate to the Attorney General that the BSFD has nothing to add at this point as we await the decision from the Attorney General. If there is anything further that the Attorney General wants from the District, then they can let us know.

7. Motion to Adjourn

- J. Chereskin made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
- L. McKnight seconded the motion.
- There was a unanimous vote (5-0) to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jane Duran
Acting Clerk for this meeting
Bonnet Shores Fire District Council

Ratified on: 11/19/2025