

**BONNET SHORES FIRE DISTRICT**  
**Monthly Council Meeting**  
**Agenda<sup>2</sup>**  
 Wednesday, May 20, 2026

Date/Time	<b>Wednesday, May 20, 2026 - 6:30pm – 9:00pm</b>
Place:	Bonnet Shores Fire District Community Center - 130 Bonnet Shores Road, Narragansett, RI
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Designated area for recording/ photography	To preserve order and decorum, and to avoid interfering with the ability of spectators to see and hear, any members of the public video recording or photographing the meeting should do so from the designated area.

**Call To Order**

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Moment of Silence

**Announcements:**

**Approval of the DRAFT Minutes from the:**

- April 9, 2026 – Public Budget Meeting Workshop Minutes (Council Quorum was present)
- April 15, 2026 - Monthly Council Meeting
- May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2026 – Special Council Meeting - Budget

**Urgent Business:**

**Public Comment:** Public comment is for in-person attendees only or at written request. Please approach the microphone, identify yourself including BSFD address. Limit 3 minutes.

**Reports / Updates:**

1. Treasurer Update
2. Tax Collector Update/Report – Including Readiness for Annual Election (i.e. obtaining voter lists)
3. Land Trust Update
4. BSFD Manager and Harbor Update/Report – Including seasonal readiness (camp, beach & harbor, staffing, Little Beach cleaning and accessibility)
5. Social Activities Group Update
6. Nominating Committee Update – Mary Weber
7. Updates on new/pending legal matters if available – including a review of vendors and agreements

## New and Ongoing Business:

1. Motion, discussion, possible revision, and vote on next steps to address the District's voting rights issue, including but not limited to the "all-inclusive" voting rights scenario presented on April 2, 2026, and any other alternative approaches, and to take any related action. *(Council)*
2. Motion, discussion, revision and possible vote to approve the Recall Provision bylaw and include on the 2026 Annual Meeting ballot. The draft for review shall include feedback from the legal review by Attorney Thomas Dickinson as well as the previously submitted community feedback. *(Jane Duran)* ([See Attachment #1 on the supplemental file](#)).
3. Motion, discussion, and possible vote regarding proxy voting procedures, including review of the legal opinion concerning the Clerk's role in proxy voting under Section 2 of the BSFD Charter and Article I, Section 5 of the BSFD Bylaws, and consideration of potential next steps. ([See attachment #2 on the supplemental file](#))
4. Motion, discussion, revision and possible vote to approve the Agenda for the June 25, 2026 Annual Meeting. *(Council)* ([See attachment #3 on the supplemental file](#))
5. Motion, discussion and possible vote to establish a zero mill rate for Commercial properties in the Bonnet Shores Fire District for Fiscal Year 2026-2027. *(Melissa Jenkins)*
6. Motion, discussion, review, revision and possible vote to adopt Land Trust Rules & Regulations as drafted and amended by Attorney Faith LaSalle. *(Land Trust)*
7. Motion, discussion and possible vote to submit the corrections for Form 1023 and to fax the revised 501(c)3 application to the Correspondence Unit of the IRS. *(Land Trust)*
8. Motion, discussion and possible vote on proposed intergovernmental liaison role for M. Jenkins to monitor and report on municipal and state governmental actions that may affect the district. *(Melissa Jenkins)* ([See attachment #4 on the supplemental file](#))
9. Motion, discussion and possible vote regarding next steps in response to the District Manager's resignation effective mid-September 2026 *(Council)*
10. Motion, discussion and possible vote to schedule the next policy workshop to review the drafts of the 3 policies as prioritized in the March 18, 2026 Policy Workshop: 1) Policy on Policies, 2) Code of Conduct, 3) BSFD Agenda & Creation. *(Council)*
11. Motion, discussion and possible vote to schedule a workshop to formulate an Emergency Preparedness Plan for flood, hurricane, power outage, snowstorm and other natural disaster readiness; to clarify the equipment available to the District; to jointly develop a plan to mobilize existing equipment and volunteers including the Land Trust trustees, fire wardens, tax collector/assessors and/or other volunteers who will be empowered to provide coordination and assistance for any emergency affecting Bonnet residents. *(Melissa Jenkins)*

**Executive Session** - Motion to enter Executive Session pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-46-5(a)(2) to discuss and approve the sealed minutes of the Executive Session held on March 30, 2026.

**Return to Open Session and Report of Any Votes Taken in Executive Session** - Motion to conclude Executive Session and return to Open Session.

## Motion to Adjourn

### Zoom Details

Topic: BSFD Council Meeting Invitation

Time: Mar 18, 2026 06:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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