

BONNET SHORES FIRE DISTRICT
2026 Annual Meeting
“DRAFT” Meeting Minutes
Thursday, June 25, 2026

Call to Order by District Moderator-District Moderator Joe Thomas called the meeting to order at 7:35pm.

A. Pledge of Allegiance- District Moderator Joe Thomas led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance

B. Reflection on Deceased Members of the Fire District-District Moderator Joe Thomas took a moment of silence to reflect on deceased members of the district.

Proper notice and Quorum attested to by the Clerk-Clerk Pro Temp Janice McClanaghan stated that the quorum at the meeting was met. Public notices were published in the Providence Journal and Narragansett Times on June 5, 2026, and June 12, 2026, and that newsletters were sent to BSFD Residents/Taxpayers. She indicated that there was an amazing turnout of nearly 700 voters and that they would do their best to provide unofficial results by the end of the meeting.

Moderator Joe Thomas then introduced the officials on the dais: Mark Gilloly, District Manager; Leslie McKnight, BSFD Council Chair; Neal Prescott, BSFD Treasurer; and Helen Patience, BSFD Tax Collector.

Moderator Joe Thomas recognized the elected officials and volunteers that have worked tirelessly to support the community. He announced the meeting will be guided by Robert's Rules and outlined how the meeting will be facilitated.

Minutes of the 2025 Annual Meeting were approved by a majority of the attendees

Joe Thomas invited the Tax Collector and Treasurer to provide a summary of the reports included in the Annual Meeting Newsletters:

Report of the Tax Collector - Helen Patience, Tax Collector, indicated that there has been no change from the report provided at the last Monthly Council Meeting. She indicated that \$516,000 of the \$534,000 taxes due have been collected (98%) and that the second round of delinquent notices went out in the prior week. The community can expect a new Tax bill sometime in late July.

Report of the Treasurer- Neal Prescott summarized the Treasurer's report that was included in the Annual Meeting Newsletter indicating the high-level district financials for this fiscal year: Income = \$586,000; Operating Expenses \$505,000; Capital \$50,000 leaving a surplus of \$55,000 and cash balance was \$375,000 at the end of April. He

discussed how the surplus was distributed and that the 2026-2027 Fiscal Year budget was approved.

State of the Fire District by Council Chair- Leslie McKnight read the State of the District Report that was included in the Annual Meeting Newsletter. She highlighted many accomplishments that the council was able to deliver this year indicating how the various council / Land Trust officials used their specific talents and leveraged their areas of expertise to advance the business of the district.

BSFD Land Trust Allocation of \$2500 was approved by a majority of the attendees pursuant to Section 4 of the BSFD Land Trust Charter-Approved

Joe Thomas then noted that in an Annual Meeting we would normally vote to approve the rates of compensation for the Tax Collector, Clerk, and Treasurer, pursuant to the BSFD by -laws. However, the rates of compensation have not changed since the last Annual Meeting, therefore there is no change to approve.

Old Business - There was none

New Business - No new business was listed on the agenda

Public Comment:

- Ann Rotatori made the comment that Janice McClanaghan has now stepped up many times as the Clerk pro-temp to organize and deliver the Annual Meeting. She urged the council to consider implementing a deputy clerk so that the community is not putting J. McClanaghan in this position again.
- Kay Schenk posed the question if a deputy clerk has ever been discussed/considered in the past. Joe Thomas suggested that if you have questions, please attend council meetings or send them a message.

The meeting was then paused for a short time while the group awaited the unofficial election results.

Election Results - Clerk Pro Temp, Janice McClanaghan, provided unofficial election results from the ballot candidates only. She indicated that all write-ins needed to be tallied and included in the final results, especially for the Tax Collector position which was all write-ins. She indicated the goal was to have this completed next day if possible.

The meeting was suspended awaiting final results to be announced.

The meeting was adjourned officially on June 26, 2026 at 10:51 am.

The Election results are below as Attachment A

Respectfully submitted: BY JANICE McCLANAGHAN-CLERK PRO TEMP

ATTACHMENT A

The results of the election is as follows:

BONNET SHORES FIRE DISTRICT ELECTION RESULTS

**MEETING DATE JUNE 25, 2026
ADJOURNED JUNE 26, 2026, AT 10:51 AM**

***ASTERISK DENOTES WINNERS**

MODERATOR-1 POSITION

JOE THOMAS 460 *

ANTHONY LUPINO 129

ROBERT PATTERSON 2

BILL PATTERSON 1

PAULA CHILDS 1

CLERK-1 POSITION

NILZA SYLVESTRE 486*

ROBERT PATTERSON 60

NILZA SYLVSTRE WRITE IN 1

CAROL DUFFY 1

JOE SHMOE 1

TREASURER-1 POSITION-VACANT

NEAL PRESCOTT 523*

CHRIS MANNIX 1

CAROL DUFFY 1

ROBERT PATTERSON 1

LLOYD ALBERT 2

JOE SHMOE 1

TAX COLLECTOR-1 POSITION

CHRISTOPER MANNIX 72*

SHARON FORD 13

HELEN PATIENCE 8

ROBERT PATTERSON 6

RICHARD MERCIER 5

JAMES HILL 4

JOHN CHERESKIN 4

PAULETTE BROUSSEAU 4

CAROL O'DONNELL 3

LLOYD ALBERT 3

RONALD CERVASIO 3

LAURIE MCCARTHY

KRISTEN DEBERGES 2

KELLY BLACKBURN 2

STEVE DANUSZAR 2

LEO DEROVIN 2

JOHN LOGAN 2

DAVID CHAMPLIN 2

STEVE MCCOOEY 2

JOHN ALBERT 1

LISA ZOMPA 1

GARY MOORE 1

KEVIN KOHLER 1

MARY MERCIER 1

ANTHONY GIRARDI 1

DAVID RESNICK 1

NEAL PRESCOTT 1

COLIN MCALPINE 1

ROBERT O'NEIL 1

MARK MESROBIAN 1

KEVIN MCKNIGHT 1

PAUL LUBA 1

JOAN FANDETTI 1

JERIMIAH FAIR 1

ANITA LANGER 1

RICK GERSTEN 1

ROZ THOMAS 1

ALAN ISABELLA 1

HARLOW CCARTHY 1

MAUREEN GILMORE 1

JOSEPH THOMAS 1

PAM LYNCH 1

DICK HOYER 1

DAVID KREKORIAN 1

JACK FAIR 1

NOBODY 1

TAX ASSESSORS-3 POSITIONS

SHARON FORD 511 *

PAULETTE BROUSSEAU 477*

RICHARD MERCIER 456 *

ROBERT PATTERSON 2

NANCY CORDY 3

JOHN CHERESKIN 1

JEAN ALBERT 2

CAROL DUFFY 2

BILL DELGIZZO 2

CASPER 1

ANYONE ELSE 1

BLANK 1

COUNCIL MEMBERS 3 POSITIONS

ANTHONY GIRARDI 423 *

MATTHEW MANNIX 393*

JAMES HILL 370 *

MARY WEBER 262 PLUS 1 WRITE IN

JOSEPH IANNUCCI 261 PLUS 1 WRITE IN

CAROLYN DELEO 260

FIRE WARDEN -2 POSITIONS

BILL GIANNINI 540 *

MELISSA JENKINS 1

ALBERT BONFIGLIO 2

LAND TRUST

LEE CANNON 373*

JACK FAIR 366*

JAMES RICCITELLI 262

GORDON WRIN 235

NOMINATING COMMITTEE- 5 POSITIONS

DONNA MONAGHAN 428*

STEPHEN MCCOOEY 415 *

KEVIN MCKNIGHT 409*

JOAN FANDETTI 392*

DONNA STEPHENS 373*

JAMES RICCITELLI 219

ANITA LANGER 206

ANTONY LUPINO 130

NANCY CORDY 3

CAROL DUFFY 3

PAULA CHILDS 2

JEAN ALBERT 2

BILL DELGIZZO 2

MELISSA JENKINS 2

CAROLYN DELEO 1

ROBERT PATTERSON 1

JULIE CLARK 1

STEVE MCCOOEY 1

MARY WEBER 1

KEVIN RYAN 1

BLANK 1

RECALL BYLAW

APPROVE 294

REJECT 257

