

BONNET SHORES FIRE DISTRICT
2019 ANNUAL MEETING
***DRAFT* Meeting Minutes**

Thursday, June 27, 2019

- I. Call to Order by District Moderator – *District Moderator Paul Farley called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm.*
 - A. Pledge of Allegiance – *District Moderator Paul Farley led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.*
 - B. Reflection on Deceased Members of the Fire District – *District Moderator Paul Farley took a moment of silence to reflect on deceased members of the District.*
- II. Proper Notice and Quorum Attested to by the Clerk – *Clerk Matt Mannix attested to the Quorum.*
- III. Ratification of 2018 Annual Meeting Minutes – *Mike Vendetti moved, seconded by George Monaghan, to approve the 2018 Annual Meeting Minutes. The motion was approved unanimously.*
- IV. Report of Nominating Committee – *Donna Monaghan provided the Nominating Committee report.*
 - A. Council Candidates – *The Nominating Committee nominated Marlene Bellini and Carol O'Donnell for three-year terms on the council.*
 - B. Land Trust Candidates – *The Nominating Committee nominated Salvatore Loporchio to a three-year term on the Land Trust and George Monaghan to a one-year term on the Land Trust.*
 - C. Other Candidates for Fire District Officers – *The Nominating Committee nominated Kevin Koehler as Tax Collector, Matt Mannix as Clerk, Bill Giannini and Denise McCooey as Fire Wardens and Ray LaBelle as Moderator, all for one-year terms. The Nominating Committee nominated Laurie McCarthy and Carol Stenmark to one-year terms for two of the three Tax Assessor positions. The Nominating Committee did not make a nomination for the third Tax Assessor position. The Nominating Committee also did not make a nomination for the Treasurer position.*
 - D. Nominations from the Floor – *Moderator P. Farley asked if there were any nominations from the floor. Anita Langer, seconded by Steve Puerini, nominated Tony Lupino for the council. Steve McCooey, seconded by Donna Monaghan, nominated Natalie McDonald for Treasurer. Michelle Carraccia, seconded by Elayne Casey, nominated Carole Duffy for Clerk. Donna Gunning, seconded by Donna Monaghan, nominated Ellie Belanger for Tax Assessor. Pat Mannix, seconded by George Monaghan, nominated Helen Patience for Tax Assessor. No nominations were made from the floor for the other Fire District Officer positions. Based on the nominations made by the Nominating Committee and nominations made from the floor, Moderator P. Farley asked the Clerk to cast one ballot for the following Fire District Officers, all of whom took office immediately:*
 - *Salvatore Loporchio for Land Trust (three-year term)*
 - *George Monaghan for Land Trust (one-year term)*
 - *Kevin Koehler for Tax Collector (one-year term)*
 - *Bill Giannini for Fire Warden (one-year term)*
 - *Denise McCooey for Fire Warden (one-year term)*
 - *Ray LaBelle for Moderator (one-year term)*

- *Natalie McDonald for Treasurer (one-year term)*
- E. *Introductions of Candidates (candidate remarks) – The council candidates (Carol O'Donnell, Marlene Bellini and Tony Lupino) made remarks to the Assembly. The Clerk and Tax Assessor candidates chose not to make remarks.*
- V. *Nomination of Taxpayers to Serve on Nominating Committee – The following nominations were made for individuals to serve on the BSFD Nominating Committee:*

Anita Langer nominated Paula Childs.
Mike Tortolani nominated Steve McCooey.
Nancy Cordy nominated Michelle Carraccia.
Elayne Casey nominated Nancy Cordy.
Tony Lupino nominated Ted DiStefano.
Michelle Carraccia nominated Dave Stenmark.
Lenny Mercier nominated Paul Farley.
Paula Childs nominated Bill DelGizzo.
Sharon Ford nominated Richard Mercier.
George Monaghan nominated Donna Monaghan.
Sharon Ford nominated Mary McGinn.
Chris Mannix nominated Brian Holland.

*Tom Longergan **moved**, seconded by Ted DiStefano, to close the nominations for Nominating Committee. The motion was approved by a voice vote.*
- VI. *VOTE BY BALLOT for District Officers and Nominating Committee Members – Moderator Paul Farley indicated that taxpayers should place their ballots in the ballot boxes after completing them.*
- VII. *Vote to Approve BSFD Land Trust Allocation of \$4,000.00, pursuant to Section Four of the BSFD Land Trust Charter – Marlene Bellini **moved**, seconded by Mike Vendetti, to approve the Land Trust allocation. The motion was approved by a voice vote.*
- VIII. *Vote to Approve Rates of Compensation for the following elected officials: (1) Tax Collector, (2) Clerk and (3) Treasurer, pursuant to the BSFD By-Laws – Mike Vendetti **moved**, seconded by Anne Murphy, to approve the rates of compensation for the Tax Collector, Clerk and Treasurer. The motion was approved by a voice vote.*
- IX. *Report of the Tax Collector – Tax Collector Richard Mercier provided the Tax Collector Report.*
- X. *Report of the Treasurer – Treasurer Mary McGinn provided the Treasurer's Report, which had been sent to BSFD taxpayers with the 2019 Newsletter.*
- XI. *State of the District by District Council Chairman – BSFD Council Chair Mike Vendetti gave the State of the District. He thanked Paul Farley for stepping in as the Moderator of the Annual Meeting at the last minute. He thanked the Bonnet Shores Beach Club for hosting the Annual Meeting. He highlighted the recent dredge project, which has lowered the water levels in the ponds and noted that the causeway had not been closed despite a lot of recent rainfall. He highlighted recent repairs to the BSFD Community Center. He thanked outgoing council members John Pariseault and Natalie McDonald for their work on the council. He thanked outgoing Tax Collector Richard Mercier and outgoing*

Treasurer Mary McGinn for their contribution to the community. He presented flowers to Natalie McDonald and Mary McGinn.

- XII. Old Business – *BSFD Council Chair Mike Vendetti thanked Helen Patience and Ellie Belanger for volunteering to serve as Tax Assessors at this annual meeting, after Tax Assessors Carol Stenmark and Denise Sellon had notified the District that they would not be attending the annual meeting to perform their roles.*
- XIII. New Business – *Ted DiStefano and Stephen Puerini stated that the Annual Meeting should not have been held at the Bonnet Shores Beach Club.*
- XIV. Election Results – *Marlene Bellini and Carol O’Donnell were elected to the BSFD Council for three-year terms. Matt Mannix was elected as the BSFD Clerk for a one-year term. Laurie McCarthy, Carol Stenmark and Ellie Belanger were elected as the BSFD Tax Assessors for three-year terms. Richard Mercier, Paul Farley, Steve McCooey, Donna Monaghan and Brian Holland were elected to the BSFD Nominating Committee. Election results are included in the two tables below.*

Council	Clerk	Tax Assessors
Marlene Bellini – 208 Carol O’Donnell – 199 Tony Lupino - 97	Matt Mannix – 168 Carole Duffy – 118	Laurie McCarthy – 218 Carol Stenmark – 127 Ellie Belanger – 90 Helen Patience – 76

Nominating Committee Results	
Richard Mercier – 189 Paul Farley – 188 Steve McCooey – 187 Donna Monaghan – 187 Brian Holland – 157	David Stenmark – 68 Ted DiStefano – 67 Mary McGinn – 64 Paula Childs – 62 Bill DelGizzo – 62 Nancy Cordy – 54 Michelle Carraccia – 45

- XV. Adjournment – *Mike Vendetti **moved**, seconded by Chris Mannix, to adjourn the Annual Meeting. The motion was approved at 10:35 pm by a voice vote and the meeting adjourned.*

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew M. Mannix
/s/ Matthew M. Mannix
BSFD Clerk