

# Bonnet Shores Fire District

## Do You Know?

The Bonnet Shores Fire District and the Bonnet Shores Beach Club currently have three active legal agreements that were established as mutual compromises to address various issues. These agreements, along with key covenants that benefit each party, are outlined below. Links are provided to view the details of each agreement.

1) **June 22, 2016 – Sanitary Sewer Line Easement Agreement – In perpetuity** (Link: [Sewer Line Easement Agreement](#)).

Among other provisions, Section 10b of this agreement includes:

- **BSFD Kelly Beach access through BSBC Main Gate:** BSBC shall allow BSFD access to Kelly Beach through the BSBC Main Entrance on the Causeway, year-round at all reasonable times, to permit backhoes, and other machinery to access the beach and shoreline for purposes of maintaining Kelly Beach, the breachway and performing such other activities on the BSFDs property as BSFD deems appropriate<sup>1</sup>. *Note: The practicality of this has to be assessed due to the time of the daily tides and traversing the breachway.*

2) **June 23, 2016 – Cooperative Services Agreement – Expires Junes 2026** (Link: [Cooperative Services Agreement](#))

- **Beach Raking, Beach Trash and Life Guards:** At an annual cost of \$6,500, BSBC agrees to remove seaweed and debris from Kelly Beach, periodic raking of Kelly Beach<sup>2</sup> and the trash removal and use of trash barrels on Kelly Beach. In addition, the use of 2 lifeguard chairs, one two-way radio (interoperable with the BSBC Lifeguards) and parking at the Beach Club for the Kelly Beach lifeguards.
- **Collaboration:** The Beach Club agrees to meet regularly with the President of the BSFD Council to discuss mutual concerns and other methods of collaboration.

3) **June 19, 2023 – Consent Decree (“AKA “The Trash Settlement”)** (Link: [2023 Trash Settlement Consent Decree](#))

- **BSBC Services Provided to BSFD in perpetuity EXCEPT for the Seaweed Removal of Kelly Beach:**
  - **Estuary:** BSBC cleans out the ocean side of the estuary as needed free of charge.
  - **Beach Usage:** BSBC allows BSFD to use of 250 linear feet of the eastern-most end of BSBC beach.
  - **Camp Donation:** BSBC to make an annual donation of \$500.00 to the BSFD Kids’ Camp.
  - **Seaweed Removal for Kelly Beach:** Under the current *June 2016 Cooperative Service Agreement* between BSBC and BSFD, BSBC will continue to rake Kelly Beach at the agreed-upon rate of \$6,500.00 per year until the contract expires in June of 2026. The Beach Club will extend the contract for two years (until June of 2028) at the rate of \$10,000.00 per year.
- **In return, BSFD provides the below services to BSBC in perpetuity:**
  - **Trash Pickup:** BSFD provides free trash removal for the live-in units from May to October each year as long as BSFD continues to be provide trash pickup to BSFD residents.
  - **Community Center Parking:** BSBC uses the Community Center for guest/overflow parking free of charge on July 4th and Fireworks Day (*or its Rain Date*), and Sundays between July 1st and Labor Day. (*If the Community Center is booked on any of these Sundays, BSBC will make other arrangements.*)
  - **Community Center Meetings:** BSBC uses the Community Center for 12 meetings per year free of charge.

<sup>1</sup>See section 10b of the [Sewer Line Easement Agreement](#):

<sup>2</sup>Kelly Beach Raking Extended to June 2026 per the [Trash Settlement Agreement](#)