

# **Buttonwoods Fire District**

## **Minutes of the Board of Supervisors**

**July 22, 2013**

Location: Casino, 23 Eighth Ave., Warwick, RI, 02886  
Present: Supervisors: Kathy Baer, Jon Pratt, John Plummer  
Treasurer: Dave Curry

Call to Order: 6:00 pm

### **Discussion:**

1. Approval of Minutes of Annual Meeting and Prior Meetings:

The minutes of the 2013 Annual Meeting are being prepared for review and will be addressed at the next BFD meeting. There was no BFD meeting in June, 2013.

2. Old Business: None.

3. Budget Review and Discussion:

All budget items including taxes, revenues, reserves and latest expenditures were presented by the Treasurer.

Recent invoices approved by the Supervisors after review.

The present contract for security services was given to the Treasurer.

4. Ground and Building Maintenance and Improvements:

- a. **Roads** – The re-paving of Buttonwoods Avenue from Cooper to the pillars was discussed. All quotes for various levels of re-paving were reviewed and discussed in light of the current budget and reserves. After the Annual Meeting discussion and vote, the chip-sealing option will be eliminated. More quotes will be obtained for resurfacing and grinding and repaving the avenue in whole and in parts, if possible, and for new bumps. The matter will be further reviewed and discussed at the next Supervisor's Meeting. A missing cap related to the sewers on Buttonwoods Avenue will be brought to the attention of the City for repair.

- b. **Casino** – Quotes for sanding and painting the casino deck and the entire exterior of the casino were reviewed and discussed in light of the casino budget. It was determined that the deck and building exterior should be repainted together. The Supervisors approved the quote submitted by ELCO painting and will award the contract to ELCO. Kathy will follow up with ELCO to determine the scheduling of the job, keeping in mind existing Casino events and other activities.

- c. **Fence Posts, Guard Rails and Signs** – Quotes will be sought regarding repair of posts, guardrails and signs.
  - d. **Speed Bump Repainting** – The speed bumps will be repainted. Quotes and possibly a local individual will be sought to repaint the bumps.
  - e. **Playground Maintenance** – The playground will be edged, roots removed and child friendly mulch will be added.
  - f. **Catch Basins** – A defunct storm drain on Janice Ave. will be repaired.
5. New Business:
- a. **Legal** – A liaison between the BFD and the BBA will be appointed to stay abreast of legal developments and update the Supervisors.
  - b. **Identification of In-House Auditor** – In accordance with BFD bylaws an in-house auditor will be sought.
6. Discussion of Other Matters Raised at BFD Annual Meeting:
- a. **Point Preservation** – It was noted that caution tape was used to protect beach grass during the 4<sup>th</sup> of July and that 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebrations at the point and elsewhere were well organized and attended with respect for the point and other neighborhood resources. The BFD will continue to monitor the condition of the point.

**Adjournment: 8:00 pm.**