

RULES FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES BAREFOOT BAY RECREATION DISTRICT

ARTICLE I

NAME AND ADDRESS OF ORGANIZATION

Section 1

The name of the organization is BAREFOOT BAY RECREATION DISTRICT, hereinafter referred to as THE DISTRICT.

Section 2

The mailing address of the District is 625 Barefoot Blvd, Barefoot Bay, Florida 32976-9233.

ARTICLE II

PURPOSE OF THE RULES

Section 1

The purpose of these Rules is to implement the applicable Florida Statutes and in particular, Chapter 418.30-309, Laws of Florida, and Brevard County Ordinance 84-05, dated 23rd February 1984, hereinafter referred to as the "Charter"; which said instruments of law and any amendments thereto are incorporated by reference.

Section 2

A further purpose is to inform the residents and property owners of Barefoot Bay as to the operation and management of the District.

ARTICLE III

THE GOVERNING BODY

Section 1

The governing body of the District is the Board of Trustees, hereinafter referred to as the "Board."

Section 2

The composition, qualifications for membership, election, term of office, method of replacement or removal and compensation, shall be as specified in Article V of the Charter, and other applicable state statutes.

Section 3

A. The term of office of each elected Trustee shall commence on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in January following his or her election. Trustees shall serve for two (2) or three (3) years, or until their successors have qualified for office. In the election held in November 2023, the qualified candidate receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected to serve a term of 3 years and the candidate receiving the second highest number of votes shall be elected to serve a term of 2 years. In the election held in November 2024, the candidates receiving the highest and second highest number of votes shall each be elected to serve a term of 3 years and the candidate receiving the third highest number of votes shall be elected to serve a term of 2 years. In each subsequent election, candidates elected to serve as members of the Board of Trustees shall each be elected to serve a term of 3 years. The Board shall organize itself within fourteen (14) days next after the first Tuesday after the first Monday in January following each November election by electing from its number a Chairperson, two (2) Vice- Chairmen, a Secretary, and a Treasurer.

B. Elected Trustees shall be sworn into office at a public ceremony at a convenient time, providing such ceremony shall stipulate the actual date of assumption of office as in subparagraph A above.

C. The officers of the Board shall serve for one (1) year, commencing on the organizational meeting held in January, after the general election, as defined in paragraph A above.

D. Members of the Board of Trustees of the District shall serve no more than three (3) successive complete 2-year terms or two (2) successive complete 3-year terms. A Trustee may not serve more than 6 consecutive years. Beginning with the election to be held in November 2023, if any potential candidate's election to a 3-year term would result in the candidate serving as a Trustee for more than 6 consecutive years, the candidate may not be qualified for election to the Board of Trustees. A member of the Board of Trustees to whom this limitation applies may serve no sooner than 3 years after the expiration of the member's last successive complete term. This limitation shall not apply to the portion of any unexpired term served by appointment to fill a vacant seat pursuant to Sec. 418.302 (5), Florida Statutes or Section 4, Article V of the Charter.

Section 4

An in-term replacement of a Trustee shall be made by remaining members of the Board as provided for by Section 4, Article V of the Charter and such selected member shall be seated at the next regular meeting.

ARTICLE IV
REGULAR AND SPECIAL MEETINGS

Section 1

The Board shall hold all regular meetings in Barefoot Bay, Florida on the second Thursday and the fourth Tuesday of each month at a time and place designated by the Board.

Section 2

Special or emergency meetings may be called and conducted in accordance with Article V, Section 1 of these Rules.

Section 3

A majority of the entire membership of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. A Trustee may fully participate, including voting, in BOT meetings through remote electronic attendance should circumstances not allow for a Trustee to attend a BOT meeting in person and if a quorum of the BOT can only be created through such means to allow for the official conduct of business of the BOT.

Section 4

The Chairperson, or Vice-Chairperson in his/her absence, shall conduct all meetings according to these Rules and Regulations and such other rules as are, from time to time, adopted by the Board; but not inconsistent with the laws of Florida or the Charter.

Section 5

Workshop meetings may be conducted by the full Board or by a committee of the Board. Meetings will be chaired by a Trustee on a rotating basis. A committee shall be chaired by a Trustee and shall include other members of the public as deemed necessary. The committee may discuss or prepare written recommendations for future consideration by the full Board. These meetings shall be conducted in accordance with the requirements of the Sunshine Law and shall be properly noticed for public attendance. No business transactions or decisions binding the full Board are permitted.

Section 6

The following guidelines pertain to the public's attendance at a public meeting and are subject to the Chairperson's discretion:

1. No attendee shall be allowed the floor until recognized by the Chairperson.

2. No attendee may be allowed more than three (3) minutes on an Agenda Item or audience participation. Attendees may be allowed more than three minutes per Agenda item or audience participation per the discretion of the Chairman. The attendee must fill out a card informing the Chairperson on the Number of the Agenda Item they wish to speak about prior to the meeting.
3. No attendee shall be required to register his or her attendance. However, those desiring to be heard must state their name and place of residence.
4. No attendee may be allowed to enter into a debate with members of the Board.
5. All questions shall be directed to the Chairperson, answered by the Chairperson or the Chairperson may refer to other members of the Board.
6. Any attendee shall have the right to use a silent tape recorder, and to make an accurate record of what transpires. A reporter may use this means for the benefit of his readers or listeners.
7. Use of cameras will be allowed, so long as such use is not disruptive or the conduct of the meeting.

ARTICLE V
TRANSACTION OF BUSINESS BY THE BOARD

Section 1

“The Board shall utilize the latest edition Robert’s Rules of Order as its official rules of procedure. To the extent that a conflict shall exist between these Rules for the Board of Trustees and Robert’s Rules of Order, these Rules for the Board of Trustees shall control.”

Section 2

All meetings of the Board for transaction of business shall be in harmony with the requirements of Chapter 189.417, F.S., in a building accessible to the public. Any meeting other than a regular meeting or any recessed and reconvened meeting of the Board must be advertised with the day, time, place and purpose of the meeting at least seven (7) days prior to such meeting, except in the case of emergency meetings. Meetings other than regularly scheduled or emergency meetings are deemed to be special meetings and may be called by the entire Board collectively, the Community Manager, and/or the Chairperson as necessary.

A meeting called to deal with bona fide emergency, will be held as necessary upon the call of the Chairperson or at least two (2) requests to convene such an emergency meeting submitted separately by any two (2) Trustees to the Community Manager action taken at any

emergency meeting will be ratified at the next regular Board meeting. Reasonable notice of any such emergency meeting will be provided.

Section 3

No approval of the annual budget shall be granted at an emergency meeting.

Section 4

All meetings of the Board shall be open to the public and governed by the provisions of Chapter 286, F.S.

Section 5

Minutes shall be taken, recorded, and made available for public inspection at all reasonable times.

Section 6

Under any Incidental, Manager, or Attorney report, any member of the Board may request that any initial motion made by any other member be determined by the Board to be of significant public importance. If the initial motion is determined to be of significant public importance, the initial motion shall be required to be heard as a specific item on a subsequent agenda rather than acted on by motion under the report.

Section 7

If an item is continued it should be placed under unfinished business until it is completed unless the Board of Trustees sets a specific agenda for it to be discussed.

Section 8

The Board shall have the power to create any advisory or fact-finding committee or sub-committee of the Board as deemed appropriate and necessary by the Board collectively. Any Trustee may propose the formation of any such committee or Board sub-committee which may only be formed upon a majority vote of the full membership of the Board. At the time of formation/revision of any such committee or Board sub-committee, the Board shall define in writing the purpose and duration of the committee or Board sub-committee, the number of committee members, their length of terms (committee membership shall not exceed 5 years and Board sub-committee membership shall be limited to one-year or until the Board reorganizes itself under Article 3, Section 3 of this document), appoint the individual members of the committee or Board sub-committee, and assign a staff representative to support each committee. Trustees shall not serve as members of advisory committees. Only Trustees shall serve on Board sub-committees. Each committee or Board sub-committee shall only have the powers granted to it by the Board at the time of establishment. In the event of a change of

membership of any committee, replacement members shall only be confirmed upon a majority vote of the membership of the Board. The Board shall have the power to review the membership, purpose, and duration of any committee or Board sub-committee, including the right to dissolve and disband any committee or Board sub-committee, at any time upon a majority vote of the membership of the Board.

The Board shall review all committees (excluding Violations committee) and adopt written purposes of each committee. Existing committee members (excluding Violations and ARCC committees) may be re-appointed for fixed terms with a staggered length of terms to ensure all committee members' terms do not expire at the same time. Under no circumstances shall a paid staff person be appointed as a voting member of a committee. Applicants for said committees shall submit a resume for consideration of appointment.

Written minutes of committee and Board sub-committee meetings must be kept, with a copy provided to the District Record Custodian for record keeping. Members of all advisory committees and Board sub-committee shall be advised of the Sunshine Laws applicable to the committee members. The BBRD Guidelines for Committee/Task Force form shall be prepared for each committee and shall be turned in to the District Record Custodian for record keeping.

ARTICLE VI
DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF OFFICERS AND TRUSTEES

Section 1

The Board of Trustees have the general powers and duties as set forth in Article V of the District Charter.

Trustees shall:

- Attend all Board of Trustees meetings and workshops, unless otherwise excused by the Chairperson
- Evaluate the Community Manager and or management company at the prescribed times and provides an assessment of current performance and areas for improvement;
- Respond to resident complaints by referring them to the appropriate entity, Board of Trustees or Community Manager for prompt resolution; and

The Board of Trustees shall determine who has signing authority for all banking and savings accounts of the District. The Board shall determine who has "view only" or "account change" authority. All access to Recreation District accounts must be approved through a regular meeting and be recorded in the official minutes of the Board of Trustees. Changes which affect the status, location and value of any accounts held by Barefoot Bay Recreation District shall be approved by the Board of Trustees.

Safety Deposit Box procedure. Anyone trustee or staff member requesting access to the safety deposit box must notify the Community Manager for the key. Access to the safety deposit box is granted to the Community Manager or his/her designee and one trustee who must also be present at the time of access.

Florida Association of Special District (FASD) Conference Attendance: Newly elected or appointed Trustees, who have not previously attended a FASD Conference, should attend the next FASD Conference after her/his election or appointment. Additionally, each Trustee is eligible to attend the annual FASD Conference, as long as the Administration Budget (Finance and District Clerk Sub-Departments) has sufficient roll-up available budget.

Section 2

Chairperson. The Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson shall preside at all meetings of the Board. The Chairperson shall appoint regular and special committees as necessary. He/she shall also be an ex-officio member of all committees appointed by him/her. In the absence of the Chairperson, the 1st or 2nd Vice-Chairperson shall act in his/her place. The Chairperson shall perform all the duties of Trustee.

The Chairperson shall sign all contracts and documents requiring the signature of the Board representative. He/She shall have signing, withdraw, deposit and information changing authority on all SBA accounts. The Chairperson may review agenda items with the community manager prior to the release of any final agenda for all regular and special meetings of the Board.

Section 3

Secretary.

1. Is responsible for directing and over-seeing that the Community Manager maintains all records of the business of the District and any other records required by Florida Statutes;
2. Is responsible for ensuring the Community Manager provides notice of all meetings and that minutes are taken by as required by Florida Statutes;
3. Reviews draft copies of minutes and oversees the necessary corrections before they are issued to the Board of Trustees or public;
4. Performs the regular duties of a Trustee; and
5. Takes roll call at the meetings and determine that a quorum is present.

Section 4

Treasurer. The Treasurer shall be responsible for ensuring that the Community Manager maintains accurate accountings of receipts and disbursements of monies to the operation of the District and shall direct the Community Manager to prepare all financial reports required by the Florida Statutes and any rules or regulations of any state of Florida or federal agency.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Trustee who does not have the authority to sign any checks for the District shall be appointed by the Board to review the monthly bank statements of the District for accuracy.

1. The Treasurer or designee shall review all payments and supporting documents for accuracy and sign the Recreation District checks for payment of invoices. In the absence of the Treasurer, the second signature required for all checks over fifteen thousand dollars \$15,000.00 may be any Trustee authorized with signing authority.
2. In the case of any emergency action, the Treasurer or designated person shall act with the Community Manager in the best financial interest of the Recreation District and bring the issue to the Board for approval at the next scheduled meeting.
3. The Treasurer shall initiate any actions approved by the Board for withdrawal and deposit of any funds from the SBA and Money Market accounts of the District.
4. The Treasurer shall prepare reports for the regular scheduled board meetings which accurately reflect the most recent balances of the accounts held by the District. The Treasurer shall prepare a monthly summary report after each close of business and review the bank statement monthly along with the list of deposits and disbursements reflected in that bank statement.

Section 5

The Trustee who is elected Chairperson of the Neighborhood Revitalization (NRP) Program BOT Sub-committee shall be authorized to approve (as recommended by the Community Manager or designee) the expenditures of NRP funds in excess of \$7,500 and not to exceed \$50,000.00 by staff toward the acquisition of a target property identified by the Sub-Committee in accordance with NRP rules as established by the BOT.

The purchase of the property shall be ratified by the Board of Trustees at the next scheduled regular meeting of the Board of Trustees.

The Chairman of the NRP BOT Sub-Committee shall be authorized to sign any proposed contracts for sale of BBRD owned properties acquired through the NRP (as recommended by the Community Manager or designee). Once a property is under contract for sale, the transaction shall be placed on the next regularly scheduled BOT meeting agenda for confirmation.

ARTICLE VII **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Section 1

“A code of ethics for all state employees and non-judicial officers prohibiting conflict between public duty and private interest shall be prescribed by law.” (Article III, Sec. 18, Fla. Const.) This mandated Code of Ethics is found in Chapter 112 (Part III) of the Florida Statutes.

Section 2

Immediate family members of a Trustee shall be prohibited from formal employment or serving in a volunteer capacity (i.e. Golf-Pro Shop Player Assistants, Courtesy Golf Cart Drivers, etc.) with the District during the term(s) of service of said Trustee. This prohibition shall begin upon the post-election or post-appointment formal commencement of the term of the Trustee. Any family members of a Trustee classified as a current employee (whether working or on approved leave) as of August 9, 2019, will be exempt from this prohibition until the employee separates employment. Immediate family members falling within this prohibition shall be eligible for reemployment with District upon the expiration of the term(s) of the Trustee to which they are related. For purposes of this prohibition, "immediate family member" is defined as one of the following: spouse or significant other, parent/stepparent, child/stepchild, grandparent, grandchild, brother/brother-in-law, sister/sister-in-law, uncle, aunt, nephew, niece, first cousin, in-laws (father, mother, son, daughter).

ARTICLE VIII **ADMINISTRATIVE DUTIES**

Section 1

The Board of Trustees employs a Community Manager who is the chief appointed officer responsible for the daily operations and management of all BBRD personnel and functions. The Board of Trustees, as a group in public meetings, provides direction to the Community Manager regarding policy and operational activities. The Board of Trustees is responsible for the selection, evaluation and termination of the Community Manager and/or management company (in lieu of directly hiring a Community Manager). Individual Trustees may discuss any specific issue with the Community Manager in private, but shall not provide specific direction regarding District administrative operations of BBRD, including the operation of individual departments or and management of employees.

Section 2

Trustees should work closely with volunteer groups or individuals including the District as well as with the Barefoot Bay Civic Volunteer Organization.

Section 3 **Organizational Chart**

An organizational chart of the District specifying the Trustee positions and operations structure of the staff will be maintained and modified as required.

ARTICLE IX
ORDER OF BUSINESS

Section 1

1. Thought for the Day
2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
3. Roll Call
4. Additions or Deletions to the Agenda
5. Approval of the Agenda
6. Presentations and Proclamations
7. Approval of Minutes
8. Treasurer's Report
9. Audience Participation
10. Unfinished Business
11. New Business
12. Community Manager's Report
13. Attorney's Report
14. Incidental Trustee Remarks
15. Adjournment

ARTICLE X
AMENDMENTS

Section 1

Amendments to these Rules and Regulations may be introduced by any Trustee in writing. A copy of the proposed amendment shall be posted by the staff on the official bulletin board and on www.bbrd.org at least seven (7) days prior to the next regular meeting of the Board, after which the Trustees shall vote on the proposed amendment.

Any amendment to these Rules adopted in accordance with this article shall become effective no sooner than seven (7) days after the of the vote adopting such amendment.

ARTICLE XI
PRECEDENT OF LAW

Section 1

Any portion of the Rules in conflict with Florida Laws and the Charter shall be invalid.

Section 2

These Rules shall supersede any and all previous Rules adopted, including but not limited to, Part I of Resolution 2004-1, 2007-03, 2008-07, 2010-19, 2014-01, 2015-07, 2016-02, 2016-21, 2017-06, 2017-12, 2017-15, 2021-06, 2021-16, and 2023-03. Amendments approved on September 24, 2019, October 22, 2019, and September 27, 2022 were made without resolutions.

Section 3

These Rules are effective upon passage by the Board. Amendments to these Rules are effective no sooner than seven (7) days after the date of the vote adopting any such amendments to these Rules.

DATED: _____

Bruce Amoss,
Chairperson

Jeff Grunow,
Secretary