# THOMSEN FAMILY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

#### 283 West Beach Road

Charlestown, Rhode Island 02813

June 28, 2019

Operating Committee Dunn's Corners Fire District One Langworthy Road Westerly, RI 02891

Re:

29 Dowd Drive, Charlestown, RI Charlestown, RI AP 2, Lot 54

# Dear Operating Committee:

I write to you as a Managing Partner of the Thomsen Family Limited Partnership, which owns the above-captioned property. The purpose of this letter is to request approval from the Operating Committee to allow the ceding of jurisdiction over 29 Dowd Drive to the Quonochontaug Central Beach Fire District, to propose and support this action to the Dunn's Corners Fire District taxpayers at the Annual Meeting, and to propose and support this action to the Rhode Island Legislature, in cooperation with the Quonochontaug Central Beach Fire District.

I have attached a memorandum that explains the situation I and my sister, Nancy T. Cullum, find ourselves in and why I am seeking this action from Dunn's Corners. Similarly, Central Beach will seek to accept 29 Down Drive as part of their District at their Annual Meeting this coming September.

We have a tentative agreement with Central Beach which I can share with you, if you wish.

Chief DeGrave supports this action and will be available for questions.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely.

Richard E. Thomsen

#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO: DUNN'S CORNERS FIRE DISTRICT

FROM: THOMSEN FAMILY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

**DATE:** JUNE 28, 2019

RE: 29 DOWN DRIVE, CHARLESTOWN, RI

## FACTS:

29 Down Drive is located south of West Beach Road in Charlestown. Most of the lot, and the cottage, is located in DCFD. A small portion of the lot is also located in QCBFD (just a right of way). Since 1954, QCBFD has been providing 29 Dowd Drive with water from its water system. Recently, QCBFD has questioned this service, given that the house is NOT within its District and the amount paid by the owners does not cover the real cost of the water service. 29 Down Drive relies on this water service, it not having a water well (and it is unlikely they would be able to drill one with potable water).

The obvious solution to this issue is for 29 Dowd Drive to become part of QCBFD.

From the DCFD's perspective, there is no change. They have to provide fire protection for this property whether it is in their District or QCBFD's District. DCFD will get paid for this property either directly from the property owner or from its contract with QCBFD.

From QCBFD's perspective, if they "absorb" 29 Dowd Drive, that property will be treated like any other property within its District and there should be no complaints.

## ISSUE:

Per the DCFD charter, bylaws and other rules, regulations or resolutions, is there any reason NOT to approve this conveyance of 29 Dowd Drive to QCBFD?

ANSWER: No, there is not.

#### Additional information:

The property owners already have a legal survey of the perimeter of 29 Dowd Drive. The property owners will pay for the new description of the DCFD boundaries that would be necessary in the proposed Resolution to Amend the DCFD charter in the Rhode Island Legislature (removing 29 Dowd Drive from their jurisdiction).

The property owners will pay for the drafting of the proposed Resolution to Amend the DCFD charter as well.