

Town Council Executive Session Minutes
November 30, 2007

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Colette Matarese, President, at 5:20 p.m.

Role Call

Present were Colette Matarese, President; Town Council members John Lewis, Lynne S. Rider, and Peter Baribault. Also present were Carol Lyons and Randy Rossi.

Colette Matarese explained the reason for the emergency executive session. It was done quickly because the Town Council received a letter from Foster Police Chief Robert Coyne at their regular meeting last night, asking to replace an officer who has retired. In order to do this, an officer had to be sent to the Police Academy and the last class starts Monday, December 3, 2007. After that the academy will close for two years. So, because the academy starts on Monday, we needed to have this meeting prior to Monday, and in speaking with the solicitor we learned we needed to have an emergency meeting prior to sending the recruit to the academy. On consulting with the Town Council members, the only time that a majority of the council members were available was at this time.

Colette Matarese states that the only item on the agenda is the police chief's request to send this recruit to the police academy. John Lewis reads the letter from Police Chief Coyne regarding Christine A. Pond, the recruit he wishes to send to the academy.

Colette asks if there is a motion. John Lewis motions to approve the request. Lynne S. Rider seconds the motions. Colette open the floor for discussion.

Discussion initiated by Peter Baribault, who questions if the recruit will have benefits while attending the academy. Randy Rossi states that she will, and that it is in the contract that she health coverage and life insurance. It is individual coverage and she will be making the co-pays. Randy Rossi also states that he was part of the interview process and that she is an excellent candidate. Peter Baribault asks about the commute and if she will be using a police car. Randy Rossi replies that the commute is about half an hour but that recruits do not have the use of the police cars. Colette Matarese states that the two probationary officers come off probation on the 13th of December, and if they make their probation, they and she will attend the December 13, 2007, meeting.

Colette Matarese calls for a vote to approve the police chief's. All are in favor, no opposed.

Colette Matarese states that this meeting was duly posted on the Secretary of State's website, and on the town, and the town hall door and that all of the members were notified as per the charter and twelve hours notice was given to the town council members.

Adjournment

Colette Matarese asks if there is a motion to adjourn. Lynne S. Rider moves to adjourn at 5:30 p.m. Peter Baribault seconds. All in favor.