

April 10, 2008

The April 10, 2008, Town Council Meeting was called to order by Colette Matarese, President, of the Foster Town Council at the Town House, Foster, Rhode Island, at 7:00 p.m.

The following members were present:

Colette Matarese,
John Lewis, Vice President,
Peter Baribault,
Lynne S. Rider,
John J. Bevilacqua, Jr. Town Solicitor

Staff

Ann-Marie Ignasher, Town Planner,
Robert E. Coyne, Jr., Police Chief
Pamela Fontaine, Tax Collector
Robert Clarkin, Public Works Director
Brenda L. Duquette, Acting Treasurer

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Colette Matarese asked to change the order of an agenda item from New Business to Old Business, item letter "F" Treasurer Position Update.

MINUTES John Lewis moved, Lynne Rider seconded to approve as presented, and was so voted to approve the March 27, 2008 minutes.

Colette Matarese aye, John Lewis aye, Peter Baribault aye, Lynne S. Rider aye.

No one spoke under Public Comment.

WARRANTS Lynne Rider moved, Peter Baribault seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to approve Payroll Warrant #38 in the amount of \$24,902.09, Payroll Warrant #39 in the amount of \$23,815.98, General Warrant #19 in the amount of \$201,847.57.

Colette Matarese aye, John Lewis aye, Lynne S. Rider aye, Peter Baribault aye.

MONTHLY REPORTS John Lewis moved, Peter Baribault seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to approve the monthly reports as submitted.

Colette Matarese aye, John Lewis aye, Peter Baribault aye, Lynne S. Rider aye.

PERSONNEL BOARD REPORT Colette Matarese read the report from the Personnel Board who has reviewed the six resumes that were received for the Treasurer's position. They will be interviewing three of the candidates on April 23, 2008. The Board also stated in the report that if the Council wishes to re-advertise, that they would consider the new resumes on that date. Lynne Rider moved, John Lewis seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to re-advertise for the Treasurer's position

John Lewis aye, Lynne S. Rider aye, Peter Baribault aye, Colette Matarese aye.

ABATEMENTS Peter Baribault moved, John Lewis seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to approve the 2007 Tax Roll Abatements for a total of \$21.91.

John Lewis aye, Lynne S. Rider aye, Peter Baribault aye, Colette Matarese aye.

Peter Baribault moved, Lynne Rider seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to approve the 1992 to 2006 "Petroni" abatements for a total of \$25,224.82

Colette Matarese aye, John Lewis aye, Lynne S. Rider aye, Peter Baribault aye.

CLASS F LIQUOR LIC. Lynne Rider moved, Peter Baribault seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to approve the request for a Class F Liquor License for the Thornton Beagle Club on April 27, 2008.

John Lewis aye, Lynne S. Rider aye, Peter Baribault aye, Colette Matarese aye.

PERPETUAL CARE Peter Baribault moved, John Lewis seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to approve the application for Perpetual Care for one grave in cemetery # 30, donated by Heidi Colwell.

John Lewis aye, Lynne S. Rider aye, Peter Baribault aye, Colette Matarese aye.

Peter Baribault moved , John Lewis seconded and it was unanimously so voted to approve the application for Perpetual Care for on grave in cemetery #45, donated by Heidi Colwell.

Colette Matarese aye, John Lewis aye, Lynne S. Rider aye, Peter Baribault aye.

Discussion was made of the Charter Revision Committee. No votes were taken.

BUDGET ADOPTION Colette Matarese opened the continuation of the Public Hearing for the adoption of the 2008/2009 Fiscal Year Town Budget.

Gordon Rogers and Robert Peterson had comments on the budget.

Colette Matarese closed the Public Hearing.

Peter Baribault moved, Lynne Rider seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to approve the amount of \$3,701,435. for the Operations Budget.

John Lewis aye, Lynne S. Rider aye, Peter Baribault aye, Colette Matarese aye.

Peter Baribault moved, John Lewis seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to approve the amount of \$709,409. for the Capital Improvements.

Colette Matarese aye, John Lewis aye, Lynne S. Rider aye, Peter Baribault aye.

Peter Baribault moved, John Lewis seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to approve the amount of \$3,687,880. for the Foster/Glocester Regional Schools.

John Lewis aye, Lynne S. Rider aye, Peter Baribault aye, Colette Matarese aye.

Peter Baribault moved, John Lewis seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to approve the amount of \$4,367,058. for Paine School Operations.

Colette Matarese aye, John Lewis aye, Lynne S. Rider aye, Peter Baribault aye.

Peter Baribault moved, John Lewis seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to approve the amount of \$816,036. for the Foster/Glocester Capital/Debt Services.

Colette Matarese aye, John Lewis aye, Lynne S. Rider aye, Peter Baribault aye.

Peter Baribault moved, John Lewis seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to approve the amount of \$265,636 for the 2% Capital Investment and a grand total of \$13,547,454.

John Lewis aye, Lynne S. Rider aye, Peter Baribault aye, Colette Matarese aye.

CONCERNED CITIZENS The following people spoke under concerned citizens; Gordon Rogers, Mr. Chaharyn.

Lynne S. Rider moved, John Lewis seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to go into executive session according to 42-46-4-5 (5) Acquisitions, and 42-46-4-5(1) Personnel and to reconvene in to open session and further to keep the minutes of said meeting closed and the minutes of all Executive Sessions held previous to this meeting be closed and remain closed pursuant to provisions of the General Laws of Rhode Island 42-46-4.

John Lewis aye, Lynne S. Rider aye, Peter Baribault aye, Colette Matarese aye.

The council recessed at 8:00 p.m. and went into executive session at 8:15 p.m.

In executive session the council moved to require the notification of appointments from employees. Ann-Marie Ignasher updated the council on acquisitions.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

An electronic filing is made a part of the record for a complete account of the council meeting.

Submitted By

Tina W. Freeman
Town Clerk