

**May 5, 2008**

The May 5, 2008, Special Town Council Meeting was called to order by Colette Matarese, President, of the Foster Town Council at the Town House, Foster, Rhode Island, at 5:00 p.m.

The following members were present:

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

Staff

Pamela Fontaine, Tax Collector  
Michael Paolucci, School Committee Member

**CONCERNED CITIZENS** No one spoke under concerned citizens.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Colette Matarese read the quarterly report from Malcolm Moore the Superintendent of Capt. Isaac Paine School. She stated that the report showed a deficit of about \$189,181.00 for the fiscal year 2007-2008.

**E-MAIL** Michael Paolucci stated that he had an e-mail dated February 1, 2008 from the previous Treasurer to Peder Schafer at the State House stating that he had spoken with the school department about the projected deficit for the current fiscal year and their plan of action is to take the \$167,128.00 from the fund balance leaving them \$50,740.00 in fund balance at 6-30-08.

**SCHOOL REPORTING** John J. Bevilacqua, Town Solicitor stated that Chapter §16-9-1 clearly states that if the school exceeds the total expenditures then they must report to the chief elected officials of the town. He also quoted Chapter §45-11-1(f).

Colette Matarese asked that the Town Council receive an exact budget from the School showing all of the numbers for the fiscal year 2007-2008.

**SPECIAL MEETING** John J. Bevilacqua, Jr., Town Solicitor stated that the Town of Foster needs to have a Special Financial Town meeting to make the transfer from the fund balance to pay the deficit for the fiscal year 2007-2008.

Colette Matarese was concerned that if there were an additional Financial Town Meeting for the deficit that there would not be a quorum to vote.

Tina W. Freeman, Town Clerk, announced that the special financial town meeting was going to be advertised for June 17, 2008

The meeting was discussed and the date was accepted with no vote taken.

Colette Matarese stated that the boiler at the Police Station had ceased and that this is considered an emergency and the town council needs to vote to replace the existing one. Robert Clarkin, Public Works Director has received five quotes for a boiler.

Colette Matarese read the list of quotes for the Police Station boiler, they are as follows;

William J. Lang	\$8,965.59
Vincent Heating & Air, Inc.	\$6,950.00
Rambone & Sprague	\$5,400.00
Hawkes Plumbing & Heating	\$5,550.00
Fleet Plumbing & Heating	\$7,140.00

Councilman John Lewis was excused from the remainder of the meeting at 6:20 pm.

Peter Baribault moved, Lynne S. Rider seconded and it was unanimously so voted to accept the quote from William J. Lang for a total of \$8,965.59 to replace the boiler at the Police Station.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 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, CMC  
Town Clerk