

May 22, 2008

The May 22, 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, President

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

MINUTES

John Lewis moved, Peter Baribault seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to approve the May 5, 2008, minutes as presented.

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

Peter Baribault moved, John Lewis seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to approve the minutes from May 8, 2008, as presented.

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

No one spoke under Public Comment's.

WARRANTS

Peter Baribault moved, John Lewis seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to approve Payroll Warrant #44 in the amount of \$26,635.70, Payroll Warrant #45 in the amount of \$27,198.22, General Warrant #22 in the amount of \$92,125.82.

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

REPORTS

There were no reports.

**TREASURER
APPOINT-
MENT**

Lynne S. Rider moved, John Lewis seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to appoint Debra A. J. McGee as the Treasurer for the Town of Foster, starting June 16, 2008.

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

**RAMBONE
CONTRACT**

John J. Bevilacqua, Jr., Town Solicitor, spoke of the increase in the fuel prices and that the contract with Rambone Disposal allows for the increase in fees due to fuel increases. The increase in the amount of the contract was approved at the Financial Town Meeting May 6, 2008.

Peter Baribault moved, Lynne S. Rider seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to amend the contract to the amount to \$ 4.59 per gallon for the price of diesel fuel.

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

REQUEST

Colette Matarese read a request from Roger & Robin Ducharme, who would like to have a cookout with a live band at their home. She instructed them that they need to have a public hearing for an entertainment license.

**RESIGNA-
TION**

John Lewis moved, Lynne S. Rider seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to accept with regret the resignation of Cheryl Davis from the Recreation Department.

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

REQUESTS Peter Baribault moved, John Lewis seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to approve
FOR USE OF FAIR GROUNDS the use of the Foster Fairgrounds on June 19, July 3, and August 14, 2008, for the fostering arts summer concert series.

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

John Lewis moved Lynne S. Rider seconded and it was unanimously so voted to approve the request from Swamp Meadow Community Theatre to use the Foster Fair grounds on July 11th and 12th 2008.

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

TRI TOWN TITANS Lynne S. Rider read a letter from Michael Kravitz of the Tri Town Titans Pop Warner Football & Cheerleading League, Inc.

Michael Kravitz spoke of the organization's need to have a permanent home for the kids enrolled in these programs. They have been using the Chopmist Hill grounds in Scituate, but the grounds are too uneven. They are looking for a good home for the league without cannot apply or receive grant money to help with funding of the organization. Mr Kravitz was hoping to get a letter of intent from the Town.

Lynne S. Rider moved, John Lewis seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to direct John J. Bevilaqua, Jr., Town Solicitor, to meet with Mr. Kravitz in order to discuss and draft a letter for Town Council approval.

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

VACATION TIME CARRY OVER John Lewis moved, Peter Baribault seconded, and was unanimously so voted to allow Carol L. Lyons to carry over one week of vacation time to be used by December 31, 2008.

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

John Lewis moved, Peter Baribault seconded, and was unanimously so voted to allow Anne Carlson to carry over 11 days of vacation time to be used by December 31, 2008.

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

TOWN WEB SITE UPDATE John Lewis, Council Vice President, spoke of the problems with the town web site and how the software language is very difficult to understand. Ann Marie Ignasher, Town Planner, contacted Mr. William Pilkington who does the Foster Police web. He submitted an estimate for the web site update and upkeep in a language that the town could easily maintain. Mr. Pilkington's had two proposals, one at \$2,750.00 and the other at \$7,500.00. John Lewis also stated that the town would be receiving other proposals, and he would update the council with any new information.

REQUEST OF TOWN HOUSE GROUNDS Lynne S. Rider moved, John Lewis seconded, and was unanimously so voted to approve the use of the Town House grounds by the Foster Preservation Society on June 8, 2008, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

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

SURVEY UPDATE Ann Marie Ignasher, Town Planner, informed the council of the updated cost information she has received from Foster Survey Co. for the class one survey of the land acquisition that was approved at the financial town meeting on May 6, 2008.

CONCERNED Gordon Rogers spoke under concerned citizens about the traffic light at Routes 6 & 94.
CITIZENS

The council recessed at 7:55 p.m. and went into executive session at 8:05 p.m.

In executive session the council discussed the personnel policy.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

A digital sound file is made a part of the record for a complete account of the council meeting.

Submitted By

Tina W. Freeman
Town Clerk