

**July 10, 2008**

The July 10, 2008, Town Council Meeting was called to order by John Lewis, Vice 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, excused**  
**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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** Rose Salvadore wanted everyone in the audience to recognize the Eagle Scout plaque that Mr. Robert Peterson made for the town to display, and what a wonderful job he had done.

**WARRANTS** Peter Baribault moved, Lynne Rider seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to approve Payroll Warrant #52 in the amount of \$25,391.36, General Warrant #25 in the amount of \$86,125.13.

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

**TAX COLLECTION RATE** Lynne S. Rider read a report from town treasurer Deb McGee reporting that the tax collection rate for 2007 is at 98%.

Lynne S. Rider moved, Peter Baribault seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to enter the document into Pamela Fontaine's personnel file.

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

**MONTHLY REPORTS** Lynne S. Rider moved, Peter Baribault seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to approve the monthly reports as submitted.

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

**CHARTER RECOMMENDATIONS** John Lewis stated that the council has received the recommendations from the Charter Review Committee and that copies are available for the public to view. The public hearing is scheduled for July 24, 2008.

**PEDDLERS LICENSE** John Lewis opened the public hearing for a peddler's license application from Richard Bartley dba Rick's Hot Dogs. No one spoke in opposition. John Lewis then closed the public hearing.

Lynne S. Rider moved, Peter Baribault seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to approve the license with a term ending December 31, 2008.

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

**FINANCIAL  
POLICIES**

John Lewis spoke of some of the changes that the town has been making in order to find more ways to save money on energy costs. Some of them are that the police station has leased a motorcycle to save on gas, the Town Hall is closing on Friday's to save on electricity, and new policies at the Police Dept. and Public Works in the use of town vehicles have been implemented. We are still looking for more ways to save money without cutting services

**STIPENDS  
TABLED**

Peter Baribault moved, Lynne S. Rider seconded and it was unanimously so voted to table the Ambulance Corps'. Stipends agenda item until further information is obtained.

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

**INFORMA-  
TION TECH.**

Peter Baribault moved, Lynne S. Rider seconded and it was unanimously so voted to table the Information Technology agenda item

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

**CONCERNED  
CITIZENS**

Robert Peterson asked about the Town Web Site.

Peter Baribault moved, Lynne S. Rider seconded and it was unanimously so voted to adjourn the meeting.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 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