

**October 9, 2008**

The October 9, 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,**  
**Roger L. Hawes,**  
**John J. Bevilacqua, Town Solicitor**

Staff

Ann-Marie Ignasher, Town Planner,  
Robert E. Coyne, Jr., Police Chief  
Pamela Fontaine, Tax Collector  
Debra McGee, Town Treasurer

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Colette Matarese, President, requested to change the order of the agenda.

**CHANGE  
OF ORDER**

John Lewis moved, Lynne S. Rider seconded, and it was so voted to move the order of the agenda for "New Business, #8c and move it to the top, after "Warrants". Also to allow Mr. Ronald Cervasio, School Committee Member to give a report from the School Committee after the "Minutes".

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

**MINUTES**

John Lewis moved, Roger L. Hawes seconded, and it was so voted to approve the minutes of the September 11, 2008, council meeting.

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

John Lewis moved, Roger L. Hawes seconded, and it was so voted to approve the minutes of the September 25, 2008, council meeting.

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

**UPDATE  
FROM  
SCHOOL**

Mr. Ronald Cervasio, School Committee Member, stated that he spoke to Robert Clarkin, Public Works Director, and John Lewis, Vice President of the Town Council, about the removal of the playground equipment at the Capt. Isaac Paine School and he concurred with them that the playground should not be removed. The second item of discussion was the location of the generator at the school, which is still in the discussion stage. He also stated that there was a letter that was going to be sent to the Town Council from the School Committee requesting the Town of Foster perform snow plowing at the Ponaganset Middle School when is been a significant amount to snowfall.

**WARRANTS** Peter Baribault moved, Lynne S. Rider seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to approve Payroll Warrant #12 in the amount of \$34,718.43, Payroll Warrant #13 in the amount of \$37,112.73, General Warrant #6 in the amount of \$79,403.32.

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

**RECREATION** John Lewis moved, Lynne S. Rider seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to appoint  
**APPOINT- ERIN SEPE** to the Recreation committee, replacing the term of Mr. Lopes which ends  
**MENT** 2011.

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

**MONTHLY** John Lewis moved, Lynne S. Rider seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to  
**REPORTS** approve the monthly reports as submitted from Building & Zoning, Planning, Police, Tax Collector and Tax Assessor.

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

**MATTRESSES** Colette Matarese, President, read some correspondence from Rhode Island Resource  
**& BOX** Recovery Corp. concerning the new rules and regulations for the recycling of mattresses  
**SPRINGS** and box springs

Lynne S. Rider stated that she has been in contact with Sarah Kite of Rhode Island Resource Recovery Corp. and Robert Clarkin, Public Works Director, concerning the issue of the collection of the mattresses and box springs.

Colette Matarese, President, asked that the town council get a more solid conformation of their restrictions from the Rhode Island Resource Recovery Corp. before the town council acts on anything.

The agenda item will be forwarded to the next meeting.

**PAYMENT** John Lewis moved, Lynne S. Rider seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to  
**AUTHOR- authorize the payment to Nancy Johnston, Human Services Director, in the amount of**  
**IZATION** \$414.00 for the payroll hours in July, August and September, until the grant funds are  
**FOR NANCY received from the Department of Elderly Affairs.**  
**JOHNSTON**

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

**RESOLUTION** John Lewis moved, Roger L. Hawes seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to adopt the following resolution concerning the Old Plainfield Pike resurfacing:

**TOWN OF FOSTER  
RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL**

At a meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Foster held September 25, 2008, upon motion duly made and seconded, it was voted as follows:

**RESOLVED:** That John J. Bevilacqua, Town Solicitor, Robert Clarkin, Public Works Director and Tina W. Freeman, Town Clerk, are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Town of Foster, to execute that certain contract between the State of Rhode Island, by and through its Department of Transportation, and the Town of Foster to resurface Old Plainfield Pike.

**RESOLVED:** That the Foster Town Council and the Town Solicitor, Public Works Director and the Town Clerk support the efforts to be taken by the State of Rhode Island, by and through its Department of Transportation, in carrying out the plan which has been developed for the resolution.

**FOSTER TOWN COUNCIL**

**ADOPTED:** October 9, 2008

**BY:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Colette Matarese, President

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Tina W. Freeman, Town Clerk

**ADDITIONS AND ABATEMENTS** John Lewis moved, Peter Baribault seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to approve the additions and abatements from the 2008 tax roll, from Anne Carlson, Tax Assessor. Additions in the amount of \$818.34, abatements in the amount of \$3,113.70.

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

**ADDITONS AND ABATEMENTS CONT.** John Lewis moved, Peter Baribault seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to approve the prorated additions and abatements from the 2008 tax roll, from Anne Carlson, Tax Assessor. Additions in the amount of \$104.24, abatements in the amount of \$78.41.

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

John Lewis moved, Peter Baribault seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to approve the abatements to the 2005, 2006, and 2007 tax rolls, from Anne Carlson, Tax Assessor. Abatements in the amount of \$227.44

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

**MILEAGE REQUEST** Colette Matarese, President, read a request for mileage and compensation time from Nancy Johnston, Human Services Director.

There was no motion made to accept the request.

**CONCERNED CITIZENS** Gordon Rogers asked about the cleaning of the Town House and various town buildings. Mr. Thomas Crosby of Vasa Park, spoke of possibly having a town wide gathering, or “meet your neighbor” date in the future. Fostering Arts would be willing to play and or participate in the plans.

No executive session was held.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 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