

October 22, 2009

The October 22, 2009, 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
John Lewis, Vice President,
Lynne S. Rider,
Roger L. Hawes
Joe Cardillo,
John J. Bevilacqua, Town Solicitor

The following department heads were present:

Ann-Marie Ignasher, Town Planner,
Kelli Russ, Town Treasurer
Robert E. Coyne, Jr., Police Chief
Robert Clarkin, DPW Director

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

MINUTES Colette Matarese moved, Roger L. Hawes seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to approve the meeting minutes from October 8, 2009, as written.

Roger L. Hawes aye, Joe Cardillo aye, John Lewis aye, Lynne S. Rider aye, Colette Matarese, aye.

PUBLIC COMMENT No one spoke under public comment.

WARRANTS Colette Matarese moved, Joe Cardillo seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to approve the following warrants: Payroll Warrant #14 in the amount of \$27,839.65, Payroll Warrant #15 in the amount of \$27,446.55, General Warrant #08 in the amount of \$90,609.27.

John Lewis aye, Roger L. Hawes aye, Lynne S. Rider aye, Colette Matarese aye, Joe Cardillo aye.

RELEASE OF FUNDS John Lewis announced that the town has received notice that the Community Development Block Grant funds for fiscal year "09" have been released. The amount approved was \$80,000.00 for the Housing Rehabilitation Program for the Town of Foster.

QUARTERLY REPORTS Lynne S. Rider moved, Roger L. Hawes seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to approve the monthly reports as submitted: Board of Canvassers, CDBG Program, Foster Libraries, South Foster Fire Co., and Human Services.

Roger L. Hawes aye, Colette Matarese aye, Lynne S. Rider aye, John Lewis aye, Joe Cardillo aye.

BID AWARD TABLED Colette Matarese moved, Joe Cardillo seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to place the bid award for the Rescue Vehicle on the next town council agenda.

John Lewis aye, Lynne S. Rider aye, Colette Matarese aye, Roger L. Hawes aye, Joe Cardillo aye.

**RESCIND-
MENT OF
APPROVAL**

Roger L. Hawes moved, Colette Matarese seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to rescind the previous approval of the sale given at the September 17, 2009, town council meeting for the Foster Center Fire Co. to sell Tanker 3.

The council discussed having the fire truck re-evaluated before going ahead with the sale. It could possibly cost less money to refurbish or repair the truck than to sell it and buy a new one.

Colette Matarese aye, John Lewis aye, Joe Cardillo aye, Lynne S. Rider aye, Roger L. Hawes aye.

**REQUEST
FROM PBA**

Lynne S. Rider read a letter from the Ponaganset Boys and Girls Basketball Association, requesting support and contribution to keep the league running.

No votes were required to help with the program, since there is a current line item in the adopted budget for this request. Kelli Russ, Town Treasurer, will discuss the request with Michael Polouski, Recreation Director.

**RESIGNA-
TION OF
ROBERT
FALLON**

Lynne S. Rider moved, Colette Matarese seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to accept the resignation of Robert Fallon, Building and Zoning Official, with regrets.

Colette Matarese aye, John Lewis aye, Joe Cardillo aye, Lynne S. Rider aye, Roger L. Hawes aye.

Colette Matarese moved, Lynne S. Rider seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to allow the town clerk to advertise for the position of Building and Zoning Inspector.

John Lewis aye, Colette Matarese aye, Lynne S. Rider aye, Roger L. Hawes aye, Joe Cardillo aye.

**REAPPOINT-
MENT TO
BOARD OF
CANVASSERS**

Colette Matarese moved, Roger L. Hawes seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to reappoint Carolyn Kerttula to the Board of Canvassers as an alternate for a term ending December, 2015.

Colette Matarese aye, John Lewis aye, Joe Cardillo aye, Lynne S. Rider aye, Roger L. Hawes aye.

Colette Matarese moved, Lynne S. Rider seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to accept the resignations of Erin Sepe and Kristen Carlson from the Recreation Committee.

John Lewis aye, Colette Matarese aye, Lynne S. Rider aye, Roger L. Hawes aye, Joe Cardillo aye.

**REAPPOINT-
MENTS TO
RECREATION
COMMITTEE**

Lynne S. Rider, moved Roger L. Hawes seconded and it was unanimously so voted to reappoint Madelynn Butler, Danielle Scott and Tammy Steinkamp to the Recreation Committee with their term ending December 2014.

Colette Matarese aye, John Lewis aye, Joe Cardillo aye, Lynne S. Rider aye, Roger L. Hawes aye.

REAPPOINT-MENTS CONTINUED Colette Matarese moved, Roger L. Hawes seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to appoint Jodi Sherlock to the Recreation Committee to fill out the term of Kristen Carlson, with a term ending December, 2013.

John Lewis aye, Colette Matarese aye, Lynne S. Rider aye, Roger L. Hawes aye, Joe Cardillo aye.

CONCERNED CITIZENS A citizen asked if the Benjamin Eddy sign was going to be replaced since the other one had been taken down for painting. John Lewis stated that a new one needs to be made since the old one could not be located in the paint shed. Also the culvert on South Killingly Road was too high; it should have been buried deeper than it was.

EXECUTIVE SESSION Lynne S. Rider moved, Roger L. Hawes seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to go into Executive Session according 42-46-4 & 5 (1) Personnel and 42-46-5a(2) Collective Bargaining and to reconvene in 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 to provisions of the General Laws of Rhode Island 42-46-4 & 5

John Lewis aye, Joe Cardillo aye, Colette Matarese aye, Lynne S. Rider aye, Roger L. Hawes aye.

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

Roger L. Hawes aye, John Lewis aye, Lynne S. Rider aye ,Colette Matarese aye, Joe Cardillo aye.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Lynne S. Rider moved, Joe Cardillo seconded, and it was unanimously so voted to adjourn the executive session portion of the meeting.

There were no votes taken in executive session.

The executive session portion of the meeting adjourned at 9:30 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