

**April 21, 2011
Town Council Meeting**

The April 21, 2011, Town Council Meeting was called to order by Gordon E. Rogers, President, of the Foster Town Council at the Benjamin Eddy Building, 6 South Killingly Road, Foster, Rhode Island, at 7:00 p.m.

The following members were present:

Gordon E. Rogers, President
Lynne A. DeStefano, Vice President
Neal C. Whitelaw,
Marianne Knight,
Michael E. Dillon,

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

NEW BUSINESS Lynne A. DeStefano moved, Michael E. Dillon seconded, and it was so voted to accept the letter of resignation from Carl Riccio, Building & Zoning Official, with regrets.

Neal C. Whitelaw aye, Lynne A. DeStefano aye, Michael E. Dillon aye, Marianne Knight aye, Gordon E. Rogers aye.

APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM BUILDING & ZONING OFFICIAL Neal C. Whitelaw moved, Michael E. Dillon seconded, and it was so voted to appoint Michael Paolucci, as the interim Building and Zoning Official.

Neal C. Whitelaw stated that there were qualifications requirements for the position.

Gordon E. Rogers stated that this was only temporary, until the advertisement is placed in the paper for a permanent replacement. Mr. Rogers said that Michael Paolucci stated that he could handle the position.

Neal C. Whitelaw stated that he was concerned with the liability of the town. If you give a position to someone who signs a permit that is not qualified, where is the town's liability?

Gordon E. Rogers stated that there were concerns with Paine School and other town permits not being finished.

Neal C. Whitelaw stated that in the past the town council would ask for help from the adjoining towns to cover the position, until a qualified person could be appointed.

APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM BUILDING & Lousi Ascoli of 45A Old Danielson Pike asked if Mr. Paolucci had a State of Rhode Island License for the position.

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Michael Paolucci stated that he currently holds a master electrician license which he received in 2001.

Zack Farnum stated that Carl Riccio is a certified Building Inspector and one course away from becoming a certified Building Official.

Gordon E. Rogers stated that with the discussion closed, he called for a vote.

Lynne A. DeStefano aye, Michael E. Dillon aye, Gordon E. Rogers aye, Neal C. Whitelaw nay, Marianne Knight nay.

Gordon E. Rogers moved, Lynne A. DeStefano seconded to advertise as soon as possible for a Building Official for the town of Foster, with a deadline of June 1, 2011 to submit resumes'.

Neal C. Whitelaw moved, Marianne Knight seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Gordon E. Rogers aye, Lynne A. DeStefano aye, Marianne Knight aye, Neal C. Whitelaw aye, Michael E. Dillon aye.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30.

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

Submitted By

Tina W. Freeman, CMC
Town Clerk