

**JUNE 20, 2013
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

The June 20, 2013, Town Council Meeting was called to order by John L. Lewis, Jr., President of the Foster Town Council, at the Town House, Foster, Rhode Island, at 7:00 p.m.

The following members were present: Also present:
John L. Lewis, Jr., President, Renee M. Bevilacqua, Town Solicitor
Pamela Fontaine, Vice President Kelli Russ, Treasurer
Denise DiFranco, and Ann-Marie Ignasher, Town Planner
Neal C. Whitelaw.
Roger L. Hawes was excused.

**I. OPEN SESSION
PLEDGE OF
ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**II. ANNOUNCE-
MENTS**

John Lewis stated that the notice of the meeting was properly posted on the Secretary of State's web site.

Pamela Fontaine read the notice from the top of the agenda: *The Foster Town Council does not sanction any electronic audio/video recordings of Town Council Meetings made by the public. Any audio/video recordings made by the public are not public records under Title 38 Public Records.*

**III. BID OPENINGS
A. Auditing**

Auditing and Agreed Upon Procedures Services

One bid:

Bacon & Co., LLC of Warwick, RI

Year 1: \$19,950; Year 2: \$20,400; and Year 3: \$20,850 for a 3-year total of \$61,200.

John L. Lewis, Jr., aye; Pamela Fontaine, aye; Denise DiFranco, aye; and Neal Whitelaw, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

Neal Whitelaw moved, Pamela Fontaine seconded, and it was so voted to refer the bid to the Treasurer for her recommendation.

Resident Marianne Knight suggested that the item be rebid. Council President John L. Lewis, Jr. replied that a rebid could be in the Treasurer's response if she so desired.

John L. Lewis, Jr., aye; Pamela Fontaine, aye, Denise DiFranco, aye;; and Neal Whitelaw, aye. Motion passed 4-0.

**B. Refuse and
Recycling**

Refuse and Recycling Collection

Two bids:

MTG Disposal, East Providence, RI

Inside envelope was labeled MEGA MTG Disposal

Year 1: \$280,000; Year 2: \$288,400; Year 3: \$297,052 for a total of \$865,452.

Rambone Disposal Services, Inc.

Year 1: \$215,000; Year 2: \$219,300; Year 3; \$223,686; for a total of \$657,986.00

Denise DiFranco moved, Pamela Fontaine seconded, and it was so voted to submit the two bids, one from MTG, a/k/a MEGA Disposal of East Providence, and one from Rambone Disposal Services, Inc. of Johnston to the Director of Public Works, Robert Hohler for recommendation.

John L. Lewis, Jr., aye; Pamela Fontaine, aye; Denise DiFranco, aye; and Neal Whitelaw, aye. Motion passed 4-0.

IV. BID AWARD

Plainwoods Road Bridge Engineering

John L. Lewis, Jr. read a recommendation from DPW Director Robert Hohler and Town Planner Ann-Marie Ignasher. (See Exhibit A)

Neal Whitelaw moved, Denise DiFranco seconded, to accept the recommendation of Planner Ann-Marie Ignasher and DPW Director Robert Hohler to award the bid to Provost & Rovero, Inc. for \$9,000 and to include the bid specs and letter in the minutes.

Neal Whitelaw questioned and reiterated that this was the only bid, and asked if they knew we were up against a tight deadline. Ann-Marie Ignasher, Town Planner, stated that they did and that it was part of the agreement that it be completed by July 13, 2013.

John L. Lewis, Jr., aye; Pamela Fontaine, aye; Denise DiFranco, aye; and Neal Whitelaw, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

**V. FUTURE
AGENDA ITEMS**

None

Neal Whitelaw moved, Denise DiFranco seconded, to adjourn.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

John L. Lewis, Jr., aye; Pamela Fontaine, aye; Denise DiFranco, aye; and Neal Whitelaw, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

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

Submitted by

Carol Lyons Sholly, CMC
Town Clerk