

JULY 25, 2013
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

The July 25, 2013, Town Council Meeting was called to order by Pamela Fontaine, Vice President of the Foster Town Council, at the Benjamin Eddy Building, Foster, Rhode Island, at 7:00 p.m.

The following members were present:	Also present:
Pamela Fontaine, Vice President	Renee M. Bevilacqua, Town Solicitor
Roger L. Hawes	Ann-Marie Ignasher, Town Planner
Denise DiFranco, and	Patti Moreau, Tax Assessor
Neal C. Whitelaw.	Lillian Jackson, Deputy Treasurer
John L. Lewis, Jr., President, excused	Chief Wm. Ziehl

I. OPEN SESSION
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Pamela Fontaine also 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. MINUTES

Neal Whitelaw moved, Roger Hawes seconded, to approve the minutes of **July 11, 2013.**

Pamela Fontaine, aye; Roger Hawes, aye; Denise DiFranco, aye; and Neal Whitelaw, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

IV. WARRANTS

Denise DiFranco moved, Roger Hawes seconded, and it was so voted to approve **Payroll Warrant #1**, in the amount of \$42,236.14.

Pamela Fontaine, aye; Roger Hawes, aye; Denise DiFranco, aye; and Neal Whitelaw, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

Neal Whitelaw moved, Roger Hawes seconded, and it was so voted to approve **Payroll Warrant #2**, in the amount of \$29,100.32.

Pamela Fontaine, aye; Roger Hawes, aye; Denise DiFranco, aye; and Neal Whitelaw, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

Neal Whitelaw moved, Roger Hawes seconded, and it was so voted to approve **General Warrant #24**, in the amount of \$10,355.43.

Pamela Fontaine, aye; Roger Hawes, aye; Denise DiFranco, aye; and Neal Whitelaw, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

Denise DiFranco moved, Roger Hawes seconded, and it was so voted to approve **General Warrant #2** in the amount of \$81,451.02.

Pamela Fontaine, aye; Roger Hawes, aye; Denise DiFranco, aye; and Neal Whitelaw, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

V. MONTHLY REPORTS

Denise DiFranco moved to approve the monthly reports as presented from the following departments: Building & Zoning, Public Works, Finance, Human Services, Planning, Police, RIRRC & Tax Assessor. She also noted the letter of explanation submitted regarding the delayed monthly School Committee report. Roger Hawes seconded.

Pamela Fontaine, aye; Roger Hawes, aye; Denise DiFranco, aye; and Neal Whitelaw, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

VI. QUARTERLY REPORTS

Neal Whitelaw moved, Denise DiFranco seconded to approve the quarterly reports from the Moosup Valley Fire Dept., and the Foster Center Fire Dept. Denise DiFranco notes the letter of explanation submitted regarding the delayed School Committee quarterly report.

Pamela Fontaine, aye; Roger Hawes, aye; Denise DiFranco, aye; and Neal Whitelaw, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

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VII. NEW

BUSINESS

a. Additions & Abatements

Denise DiFranco moved, Neal Whitelaw seconded, to approve abatements of \$15,246.35 as presented by the Tax Assessor.

Pamela Fontaine, aye; Roger Hawes, aye; Denise DiFranco, aye; and Neal Whitelaw, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

Neal Whitelaw moved, Denise DiFranco seconded, to approve the additions of \$567.89 as presented by the Tax Assessor.

Pamela Fontaine, aye; Roger Hawes, aye; Denise DiFranco, aye; and Neal Whitelaw, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

b. Bid Openings

Bid Submissions for the Engineering and Evaluation of Five Bridges were opened as follows:

1. Resource Controls, Pawtucket, RI
\$9,755.00
2. RT Group, Inc., East Providence, RI
\$34,840.00
3. CDR Maguire, Providence, RI
\$40,987.00
4. Commonwealth Engineers & Consultants, Inc., Providence, RI
\$23,075.00
5. Pare Corp., Lincoln, RI
Schedule of Fees for each type of work
6. Steere Engineering, Inc., Warwick, RI
\$33,060.00
7. Garafalo & Associates, Inc., Providence, RI
\$25,135.00
8. Provost & Rovero, Ins., East Providence, RI
\$3,625.00 per bridge (x5)

Neal Whitelaw moved, Denise DiFranco seconded, to pass the bids on to the DPW Director and Planner for recommendations.

Pamela Fontaine, aye; Roger Hawes, aye; Denise DiFranco, aye; and Neal Whitelaw, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

VIII. OLD

BUSINESS

a. Local Roads Program

The 2014 Local Roads Program was a State program and did not receive funding. No motions were made. No votes were taken.

b. Fuel-Master

Neal Whitelaw moved, Denise DiFranco seconded, to move Fuel-Master gasoline system to the August 8, 2013 agenda.

Pamela Fontaine, aye; Roger Hawes, aye; Denise DiFranco, aye; and Neal Whitelaw, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

IX. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Fuel-Master system

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no Executive Session.

Neal Whitelaw moved, Denise DiFranco seconded, to adjourn the meeting.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Pamela Fontaine, aye; Roger Hawes, aye; Denise DiFranco, aye; and Neal Whitelaw, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

Meeting 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,

Carol Lyons Sholly, CMC, Town Clerk