

**Town Council Meeting
March 14, 2019**

The March 14, 2019, Town Council Meeting was called to order by Denise L. DiFranco, President of the Foster Town Council, at the Benjamin Eddy Building at 7:00 p.m.

The following members were present:	Also present:
Denise L. DiFranco, President	Mark Tourgee, Town Solicitor
Heidi Rogers	Kelli Russ, Treasurer
Joe Cardillo	
Chris Stone	
Cheryl Hawes, Vice President, excused	

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| I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE | The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. |
| II. WORKSHOP | Denise L. DiFranco asked if any of the applicants for the Economic Development Advisory Committee were present. Dave Rathbun, Michael Galligan, Gordon Rogers and Bob DePalo were present and introduced themselves. Bob Moreau and Nick Guarino were not present.. |
| a. Economic Development Committee Candidates | |
| b. Charter Review Committee Candidates | Denise DiFranco asked the applicants to the Charter Commission, Jon Restivo, Lynne Rider, Ron Cervasio, David Paolino, Myra Mercier, Bob Boyden, Susan Sprague to speak about themselves and if they had comments on the Charter. Applicant Kathleen Swanson was not present. |
| III. PUBLIC COMMENT /ANNOUNCEMENTS | Denise L. DiFranco noted that Ms. Hawes was excused. She also requested a moment of silence for Luigi Lou Poirier, long time partner of Ms. Hawes, who passed away, and also Peter Scorpio a previous Building Official for the town.
Ms. DiFranco also noted that the Regional School Financial Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 19, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at Ponaganset High School. Lynne Rider spoke under Pubic Comment. |
| IV. CONSENT AGENDA | Chris Stone moved, Heidi Rogers seconded, to approve the consent agenda as presented..
1. Approval of the minutes for the February 14, 2019 Town Council Meeting
2. Approval of the minutes for the February 28, 2019 minutes
3. Approval of Payroll Warrants
a. #35 \$34,230.84 b. #36 \$32,923.76
c. General Warrant #15 \$61,725.30
3. Approval of Quarterly Reports for October/November/December
a. Planning b. Engineering Board c. Recreation d. Land Trust
e. Tax Board of Review f. Conservation Committee
g. Libraries of Foster h. Moosup Valley Fire Dept. i. School Dept.
j. South Foster Fire Dept. k. Zoning Board of Review
l. Foster Ambulance Corp. m. Foster Center Fire Co.

Discussion: None.
Motion passed 4 – 0. |
| V. OLD BUSINESS | |
| a. Economic Development Advisory Committee TC Resolution 2019-02 | Denise L. DiFranco explained why she decided to create a resolution for each committee. Heidi Rogers read the 2019-02 Town Council Establishing an Economic Development Advisory Committee (see Exhibit A).
Chris Stone moved, Joe Cardillo seconded, to accept the Resolution as presented.
Discussion: Lynne Rider, Mike Carpenter, Ron Cervasio, Jeff Sheldon
Motion passed 4 – 0. |
| b. Appt. to EDAC Committee | Heidi Rogers moved, Joe Cardillo seconded, to appoint Bob Moreau, Dave Rathbun, Michael Galligan, Gordon Rogers, and Bob DePalo to the Economic Advisory Committee.
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- c. Charter Review Committee TC Resolution 2019-01**

Denise L. DiFranco read Resolution 2019-01 Establishing a Charter Review Committee (see Exhibit B).
Heidi Rogers moved, Chris Stone seconded, to accept the Resolutoin of the Town Council establishing a Charter Review Committee #2019-01.
Discussion: None
Motion passed 4 – 0.
- d. Appt. to Committee**

Chris Stone moved, Heidi Rogers seconded, to appoint Jon Restivo, Dave Paolino, Bob Boyden, Kathleen Swanson, and Susan Sprague.
Discussion: Ron Cervasio
Motion passed 4 – 0.
- e. Animal Control Ordinance**

Denise L. DiFranco stated that Aaron Marland and Pat Howarth have contributed to the discussion to update the Animal Control Ordinance. Mark Tourgee, town solicitor, stated that they took the recommendations of Scituate Animal Control officers. He discussed taking out the 24-hour notification and fee amounts.
Heidi Rogers moved, Joe Cardillo seconded, to adopt the Animal Control Ordinance with the provisions presented.
Discussion: Aaron Marsland, Bill Livingston, Gordon Rogers
Motion passed 4 – 0.
- VI. NEW BUSINESS**

 - a. Recognition of Land Trust**

Denise L. DiFranco said that it had been previously suggested by the Planning Board to recognize the various boards and committees. The Land Trust was recognized with certifications. Dennis Therrien, Tom Boyden, Linda Tibbetts, Myra Mercier, Walter May, Lawrence Chapman, and Michael Carpenter..
 - b. Conservation Committee – Earth Day**

Denise L. DiFranco stated that the Conservation Commission wanted to speak on the Earth Day Cleanup on the 27th of April. Dave Rathbun said they were looking for volunteers to pick up litter on the roadsides, encouraging people to clean up their section of the road, they would like to provide bags and gloves. They will not have an Eco-Depot collection but the DPW area will be open for electronics.
Discussion: Lynne Rider, Dennis Therrien
 - c. Historic District Oversight Committee**

Denise L. DiFranco discussed that fact that two historic buildings could be empty in the future is the police building and library building go forward. Heidi Rogers read Resolution 2019-03 Establishing an Historic District Oversite Committee (see Exhibit C).
Chris Stone moved, Joe Cardillo seconded, to accept the Historic District Oversite Resolution.
Discussion: None
Motion passed 4 – 0.

Denise L. DiFranco announced that she had received notification that the police building committee has nominated Gordon Brayton, preservation society has nominated Bob Boyden, the library Karen Mueller, police chief Breit. Mr. Cervasio sent a response, and she had not heard from the Zoning Board. The council needs to appoint someone as a non-voting member. Joe Cardillo volunteered.
Chris Stone moved, Heidi Rogers seconded, to appoint Joe Cardillo to the Historic District Oversight committee.
Motion passed 4 – 0.
Heidi Rogers moved, Chris Stone seconded, to appoint the following members to the Historic District Oversight Committee: Gordon Brayton, Bob Boyden, Karen Mueller and Chief Breit.
Discussion: None.
Motion passed 4 – 0.
 - d. Verizon Pole Petition**

Chris Stone moved, Joe Cardillo seconded, to accept the Verizon Pole Petition on Johnson Road as present.
Discussion: None.
Motion passed 4 – 0.

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| e. Thornton Beagle Club License | Denise L. DiFranco stated they had received an application for a beer and wine license for an event at Thornton Beagle Club for April 7, 2019. Heidi Rogers moved, Joe Cardillo seconded, to approve the request for a beer and wine license for their event on April 7, 2019.
Discussion: None.
Motion passed 4 – 0. |
| f. Additions and Abatements | Heidi Rogers moved, seconded to approve that 2016 Motor Vehicle Abatement in the amount \$35.14.
Discussion: None.
Moton passed 4 – 0. |
| VII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS | Dog Ordinance fee increase to \$5 |
| VIII. ADJOURNMENT | Chris Stone moved, Joe Cardillo seconded to adjourn the meeting.
Meeting adjourned at 98:15 p.m. |

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

Submitted by,

Susan Dillon, Town Clerk