

FEBRUARY 20, 2014
SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

The February 20, 2014, Special Town Council Meeting was called to order by John L. Lewis, Jr., President of the Foster Town Council, at the Benjamin Eddy Building, Foster, Rhode Island, 7 p.m.

The following members were present:	Also present were:
John L. Lewis, Jr., President,	Atty. Renee Bevilacqua
Pamela Fontaine, Vice President,	Chief William Ziehl
Neal C. Whitelaw,	
Denise DiFranco, and	
Roger L. Hawes.	

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| I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE | The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. |
| II. ANNOUNCEMENTS | <p>John L. Lewis, Jr. stated that he had a confirmation email from the Secretary of State showing that the agenda had been posted correctly.</p> <p>Pamela Fontaine read the disclaimer “NOTICE: 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.”</p> |
| III. WARRANTS | <p>Neal Whitelaw moved, Roger Hawes seconded, to approve Payroll Warrant #29 for \$25,320.50.
John L. Lewis, Jr., aye; Pamela Fontaine, aye; Roger Hawes, aye; Denise DiFranco, aye; and Neal Whitelaw, aye. Motion carried 5-0.</p> <p>Denise DiFranco moved, Roger Hawes seconded, to approved Payroll Warrant #30 for \$29,725.02.</p> <p>John L. Lewis, Jr., aye; Pamela Fontaine, no; Roger Hawes, aye; Denise DiFranco, aye; and Neal Whitelaw, aye. Motion carried 4-1.
Pamela Fontaine stated that she was glad to see one week without Professional Services.</p> <p>Neal Whitelaw moved, Roger Hawes seconded, to approve Payroll Warrant #31 for \$26,621.91.</p> <p>John L. Lewis, Jr., aye; Pamela Fontaine, no; Roger Hawes, aye; Denise DiFranco, aye; and Neal Whitelaw, aye. Motion carried 4-1.</p> <p>Denise DiFranco moved, Roger Hawes seconded, to approve General Warrant #13 for \$166,440.93.</p> <p>John L. Lewis, Jr., aye; Pamela Fontaine, aye; Roger Hawes, aye; Denise DiFranco, aye; and Neal Whitelaw, aye. Motion carried 5-0.</p> |
| IV. NEW BUSINESS Budget Calendar | <p>Roger Hawes moved, Denise DiFranco seconded, to approve the FY2014-2015 Budget Calendar. Discussion: Thursday, March 6, 2014, was chosen as the hearing dates for Departments, Boards & Commissions.</p> <p>John L. Lewis, Jr., aye; Pamela Fontaine, aye; Roger Hawes, aye; Denise DiFranco, aye; and Neal Whitelaw, aye. Motion carried 5-0.</p> |
| V. EXECUTIVE SESSION | <p>Neal Whitelaw moved, Roger Hawes seconded, to go into Executive Session pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5a(1) Personnel and to reconvene into open session and to further keep the minutes of said meeting closed and that the minutes of all executive sessions held previous to this meeting remain closed in accordance with provisions in RIGL 42-46-4 & 5. No discussion.</p> <p>John L. Lewis, Jr., aye; Pamela Fontaine, aye; Roger Hawes, aye; Denise DiFranco, aye; and Neal Whitelaw, aye. Motion passed 5-0.</p> |
| RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION | The council reconvened into Open Session. John Lewis announced that two votes were taken in Executive Session. One was to seal the minutes; the vote was 5-0. The second was to appoint Joe Cardillo to the position of Director of the Department of Public Works; the vote was 4-1. |

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VI. ADJOURNMENT Pamela Fontaine moved, Roger Hawes seconded, and it was so voted to adjourn the meeting.

John L. Lewis, Jr., aye; Pamela Fontaine, aye; Roger Hawes, aye; Denise DiFranco, aye; and Neal Whitelaw, aye. Motion passed 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 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
Deputy Town Clerk