

**MARCH 4, 2015**  
**TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

The March 4, 2015 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, at 7:11 p.m.

The following members were present

Also present were:

**John Lewis, President**  
**Denise DiFranco, Vice President**  
**Roger L. Hawes,**  
**and Gordon Rogers.**  
**Jon Restivo, excused.**

Renee M. Bevilacqua, Town Solicitor  
Treasurer Kelli Russ  
William Ziehl, Police Chief  
Patrolman Stephen Duda  
Attorney Gary Gentile, General Counsel, IBPO

**I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**II. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

John L. Lewis, Jr., announced that the meeting had been properly posted on the Secretary of State's website.

**III. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Denise DiFranco moved, Roger Hawes seconded, to go into Executive Closed Session pursuant to RIGL 42-46-4 for the reasons stated in RIGL 42-46-5a(9) Personnel/ concerning a Patrol Officer, Police Department, and for the reasons stated in RIGL 42-46-5a(2), Collective Bargaining / Contract Negotiations, International Brotherhood of Police Officers, Local 637, and to reconvene into open session and to further keep the minutes of said meeting closed and the minutes of all executive sessions held previous to this meeting be closed and remain closed in accordance with provisions in RIGL 42-46-4 and 5.

John L. Lewis, Jr, aye; Denise DiFranco, aye; Roger Hawes, aye; Gordon Rogers, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

Executive session convened at 7:13 p.m.

Denise DiFranco moved, Roger Hawes seconded, to reconvene into open session, to approve and to further keep the minutes of said meeting closed and the minutes of all executive sessions held previous to this meeting be closed and remain closed in accordance with provisions in RIGL 42-46-4 and 5.

John L. Lewis, Jr, aye; Denise DiFranco, aye; Roger Hawes, aye; Gordon Rogers, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

Open Session reconvened at 9:39 p.m.

John L. Lewis, Jr. announced that one vote had been taken in Executive Session, to continue the personnel issue to the end of the March 12, 2015 Council meeting held at the Eddy Building, which begins at 7:00 p.m.

John L. Lewis, Jr, aye; Denise DiFranco, aye; Roger Hawes, aye; Gordon Rogers, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

It was agreed by Attorney Gentile and Patrolman Duda that this motion served as notice.

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**IV. ADJOURNMENT**      Roger Hawes moved, Denise DiFranco seconded, and it was so moved to adjourn the meeting.

John L. Lewis, Jr, aye; Denise DiFranco, aye; Roger Hawes, aye; Gordon Rogers, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

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

Submitted by

Jane H. Christopher  
Town Clerk