

NOVEMBER 17, 2016
TOWN COUNCIL WORKSHOP

The November 17, 2016 Town Council Workshop was called to order by Denise DiFranco, Vice-President of the Foster Town Council, at the Town House, Foster, Rhode Island, at 7:04 p.m.

The following members were present:	Also present:
Denise DiFranco, Vice President,	Renee M. Bevilacqua, Town Solicitor
Gordon Rogers, and	Kelli Russ, Treasurer
Cheryl Hawes.	Police Sergeant Wm. McGuire
John L. Lewis, Jr., excused	Joe Carey, Planning Board Chair
Jon Restivo, excused	Councilmen-elect Michael Dillon and Christie Stone

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| I. OPEN SESSION PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE | The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. |
| II. ANNOUNCEMENTS | Denise DiFranco stated that the notice of the meeting was properly posted on the Secretary of State’s web site. |
| III. NEW BUSINESS | Council Vice-President DiFranco asked the Council if they wanted to share any information with the new council members. |
| a.) Transitional Meeting Between Current and Newly Elected Councils | <p>Cheryl Hawes spoke about the upcoming DEM grant for the Recreation Field and the importance of seeing the field completed.</p> <p>Denise DiFranco talked about not having had a transition meeting at the last election, and asked if there was anything in particular anyone wants to say.</p> <p>Solicitor Bevilacqua mentioned the need for having the codified ordinances up to date, and on line. Denise DiFranco, Ms. Bevilacqua and the Town Clerk discussed the means to make changes to the ordinance books and the online process.</p> <p>The Town Clerk advised the Council of the Resolution for the approved Charter Amendments to be put before them at the December 8th meeting.</p> <p>There was brief discussion on boards/commission and those members whose terms were expiring.</p> |
| IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION | Gordon Rogers moved, Cheryl Hawes seconded, to go into Executive Closed Session pursuant to RIGL 42-42-4 for the reasons stated in RIGL 42-46-5, for the discussions or work sessions regarding collective bargaining, contract negotiations or litigation according to RIGL 42-46-5a(2). |
| A. 42-46-5a(2) Pending Litigation Concerning Former Employee and Barbs Hill Road | <p>Denise DiFranco, aye; Cheryl Hawes, aye; and Gordon Rogers, aye. Motion carried 3-0.</p> <p>Executive session began at 7:29 p.m.</p> |
| RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION | <p>Gordon Rogers moved, Cheryl Hawes seconded, to reconvene into open session to announce any votes taken during executive closed session that must be disclosed as required under RIGL 42-46-4, and to approve, adopt and seal the minutes, with or without corrections of all prior executive closed session minutes and to close and seal the current executive closed session minutes.</p> <p>Denise DiFranco, aye; Cheryl Hawes, aye; and Gordon Rogers, aye. Motion carried 3-0.</p> <p>Denise DiFranco announced that no votes had been taken in executive session.</p> |
| V. ADJOURNMENT | <p>Gordon Rogers moved, Cheryl Hawes seconded, and it was so moved to adjourn the meeting.</p> <p>Denise DiFranco, aye; Cheryl Hawes, aye; and Gordon Rogers, aye. Motion carried 3-0.</p> |

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Meeting adjourned at 8:22 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