

# ***Foster Town Council Meeting Agenda***

BENJAMIN EDDY BUILDING, 6 SOUTH KILLINGLY ROAD, FOSTER, RI 02825

Thursday, September 14, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m.

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## **I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

## **II. PUBLIC COMMENT / ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **III. CONSENT AGENDA *disc/action***

- **Meeting Minutes**  
Approval of August 10, 2023 and August 16, 2023
- **Warrants**  
Approval of General Warrant **FY2023 #25** \$32,820.12 **FY2024 #04** \$269,203.23
- **Additions and Abatements**  
**Total Additions \$3979.28 Total Abatements \$2018.13**

## **IV. PUBLIC HEARINGS *disc/action***

### **A. Kennel License**

Diana Singleton DBA Nana Diana's Dog Daycare of 59A Balcom Road, Foster has applied for a Kennel License valid through April 30, 2024.

### **B. 1<sup>st</sup> Hearing - Zoning**

The recommendation includes the removal of Sec. 38-132 of the Foster Zoning Ordinance (official zoning map) and its replacement as an attachment to the Zoning Ordinance with several significant amendments.

### **C. 2<sup>nd</sup> Hearing - Zoning**

1. The recommendations include amendments and additions to the Foster Zoning Ordinance Sec. 38-2 - (Definitions). Definitions to be amended or added, include "Community residence (amendment)"; "Day care — Family daycare home" (amendment); "Cannabis Cultivator (addition)"; "Cannabis establishment (addition)"; "Cannabis product manufacturer or marijuana product manufacturer" (addition); "Cannabis retailer or marijuana retailer" (addition); "Medical cannabis treatment center or Medical marijuana treatment center" (addition); "Winery" (addition); "Farm Brewery" (addition); "Micro-Brewery" (addition); "Distillery" (addition); and "Farm Distiller (addition)"
2. The recommendations also include amendments, additions, and/or removals to the Foster Zoning Ordinance Sec. 38-191 (Table of Uses) for the residential use of "Community residences, and family daycare homes (amendment)"; for the restaurants and entertainment use of "Microbrewery, attached to or maintained as part of a restaurant (removal)"; for the business uses of "Winery" (addition); "Farm Brewery" (addition); "Micro-Brewery" (addition); "Distillery" (addition); "Farm Distiller" (addition); the recreational marijuana uses of "Cannabis or marijuana cultivator" (addition); "Cannabis establishment or marijuana establishment" (addition); "Cannabis product manufacturer or marijuana product manufacturer" (addition); "Cannabis retailer or marijuana retailer" (addition); and "Medical cannabis treatment center or Medical marijuana treatment center" (addition); .
3. The recommendation also proposes the removal of "Brewery or distillery" from Sec. 38-193 – (Prohibited Uses) The recommendation also proposes the addition of supplementary regulations for recreational marijuana uses.

**V. OLD BUSINESS**

Police Building Update *disc/action*

**VI. NEW BUSINESS**

A. Police Building Requests:

- a. Approval of Wetland Flagging on the site. *disc/action*
- b. Approval of funding for two 4x8 signs for the sign (Concept Picture) *disc/action*
- c. Approval of RFP: Breaking into two parts. *disc/action*
  1. Excavations, Foundation, Cap, potentially cell
  2. The rest

B. Communications equipment for Emergency Services – lease/purchase *disc/action*

C. Hazard Mitigation Plan Update (BRIC Grant) *disc/action*

D. MTAP (Municipal Technical Assistant Program) *disc/action*

E. Department Head Meetings (per Charter Sec.2.21) *disc/action*

F. Signage and Landscaping/Maintenance at the Town Hall *disc/action*

G. Town Hall and Town House Basement Mold Remediation *disc/action*

H. Purchase of Equipment for DPW – 35,000 DVW Cabin Chassis based on Master Purchase Agreement; *disc/action*

I. Award of Chip Seal Balcom, Howard Hill, and South Killingly Roads *disc/action*

J. Bid Award for Reclamation/Paving on Boss Road and Winsor Road to Bridge *disc/action*

K. State Fire Marshal Report: Request for Variance *disc/action*

- a. Allowing DPW Director to Act on Behalf of the Town *disc/action*

**VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5, (A), (1) Personnel**

1. Alison Bouchard – Social Services Director, drafting and approval of written warning (no substantive discussion) *disc/action*

2. Alan Kinsley: Farmer’s Market Selection Process

**Pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5, (A), (2) Collective Bargaining International Brotherhood of Police Officers, Local 637, *disc/action***

1. Police Contract - Memorandums of Understanding

**Pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5, (A), (2) Contracts *disc/action***

2. Proposed Amendment to Lease between ToF and Foster Center Volunteer Fire Company

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

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