

Foster Township Board of Supervisors

Regular Monthly Meeting

Minutes

July 14, 2021

6:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Call To Order The Regular Monthly Meeting, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to The Flag and a Moment of Silence.

ROLL CALL

Ms. Eckrote-Jones	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Mr. Pavuk	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Mr. Brogan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent

READING OF MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETING

Motion to *dispense* with Reading of the Minutes due to availability to public.

Motion to *read* Minutes.

Motion By:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms. Eckrote-Jones	Second By:	<input type="checkbox"/> Ms. Eckrote-Jones
	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Pavuk		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Pavuk
	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Brogan		<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Brogan

Roll Call:	Ms. Eckrote-Jones	Mr. Pavuk	Mr. Brogan
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes
	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain

READING OF TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion to *dispense* with Treasurer's Report due to availability to public.

Motion to *read* Treasurer's Report.

Motion By:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms. Eckrote-Jones	Second By:	<input type="checkbox"/> Ms. Eckrote-Jones
	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Pavuk		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Pavuk
	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Brogan		<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Brogan

Roll Call:	Ms. Eckrote-Jones	Mr. Pavuk	Mr. Brogan
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	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain

READING OF LIST OF BILLS

Motion to *dispense* with Reading of the List of Bills due to availability to public.

Motion to *read* List of Bills.

Motion By:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms. Eckrote-Jones	Second By:	<input type="checkbox"/> Ms. Eckrote-Jones
	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Pavuk		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Pavuk
	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Brogan		<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Brogan

Roll Call:	Ms. Eckrote-Jones	Mr. Pavuk	Mr. Brogan
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	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain

APPROVE FOR PAYMENT

Motion to *Approve* Bills for Payment

Motion to *Disapprove* Bills for Payment.

Motion By:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms. Eckrote-Jones	Second By:	<input type="checkbox"/> Ms. Eckrote-Jones
	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Pavuk		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Pavuk
	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Brogan		<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Brogan

Roll Call:	Ms. Eckrote-Jones	Mr. Pavuk	Mr. Brogan
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	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain

BUSINESS:

Recycling Center – Jerry updated the residents on the current recycling situation. Solomon finally came and removed all of their equipment. The twp is currently looking into other avenues for recycling, as the prices are extremely high. He is hoping that once the recycling market picks back up that, better offers will come in.

Playground Lights – Jerry stated that since the twp has police coverage now, he thinks that the playgrounds should have lights installed. Georgiann stated that she believes the light on the main road in Upper Lehigh illuminates the park pretty well, so she doesn't think more are necessary. John stated that the park in Highland has a street light right by it, and he doesn't think any more are needed. Georgiann stated that the residents in AgMar told her years ago that they do not want lights. There was an AgMar resident present that expressed his concerns. The board agreed to look into lights for the Woodside playground.

Ordinance for Truck Weight Limits on Carbon St. – No ordinance was prepared. John believes that the signs were already installed. Residents believe that the signs say 5 ton not 10 ton. John said that if the signs are wrong then they need to come down. Jerry stated that he talked with the contractor who owns the trucks and he stated that he would talk to his employees. Jerry believes that it's not going to be a problem anymore because they are almost completed with their project at Citterios anyway.

Engineers Report – No engineers were present.

Police Report – by Jerry: The twp was covered for 248 hours. Incidents consisted of: 7 Domestic, 1 Runaway, 1 Animal Complaint, 3 Harassment, 1 DUI, 6 Suspicious Persons, 7 Noise Complaints, 1 Overdose, 2 Burglary, 2 Criminal Mischief, 28 Traffic Offenses, 1 Trespassing, 1 Fraud, 5 MVA, 1 Mental Health, 4 Assist Other PD, 1 Welfare Check, 1 Admin Report, 1 Theft, 4 Warrants, 2 Drug Possession, 1 PFA Investigation, 2 Abandon Property, 2 Parking, 3 ATV Complaints, 3 Assist EMS, 4 Suspicious Vehicles, 10 Follow Up Investigations, 1 Terroristic Threat, 3 Burglar Alarm, 1 Code Violation, 2 Assist FD.

Sewer Report – Jerry stated that there was no sewer meeting, but there should be on in August.

Solicitor's Report – Attny Mills stated that she has two lot consolidations for the boards review and approval. One is for two properties own by Holly & Cole Leonard in Hickory Hills and another is for a double home that is on two separate lots. Jerry made the motion to approve both lot consolidations. Georgiann seconds the motion. Roll Call was yes by all.

Zoning Report – by Jerry: 1 zoning, 3 building, 3 stormwater, 2 demo permits were issued. He received 13 code complaints that are being taken care of and there were several patrols of the twp for other issues.

CORRESPONDENCE

Jerry stated that he had a verbal request from the Freeland Chamber of Commerce for Labor Day fireworks. Georgiann stated that she had the same request from Ben Evancho and she told him to touch base with Brian to see what information needs to be filled out and on file with the twp.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Panzitta stated that he has submitted serval complaints and he has not gotten any feedback, and there has been nothing done. He stated that there are garages going up without permits and sheds that were placed in front yards. There are no visible permits in the windows. The board stated that they would touch base with Brian to see about the unanswered complaints. Mr. Panzitta also asked if the twp can look into amending the lot size requirements for on lot septic. Right now, you need 1 acre, but most of the lots in the unsewered part of Hickory Hills are only 1/3 acre and it makes it impossible to improve the lots. Attny Mills stated that the twp can look into it, but she believes that this is something that would have to go through the state/DEP. He asked if the board can please look into it just to see if it would be possible to minimize the size requirements, just for that section of Hickory Hills.

A resident asked about the possibility of the older part of Hickory Hills ever getting sewer? Jerry said that he does not have an answer for that, and if he had to guess he would say ten years or more. Unless Aqua decides they would like to take over the sewers and then connect that section of the development but the twp cannot afford that currently.

A resident asked about heavy equipment working on Sundays, the twp has a rule that you cannot do so. Hickory Hills says you can work on Sundays from 9-7pm. Who would be superior in this case? Attny Mills stated that yes, the twp may have something like that, but Hickory Hills is an exception to it because they have their own set of by laws.

Carlene Troell asked about the list of bills and the payment of \$13,919.35 to Two Jacks with the police grant. What is this for? John stated that it is for a side by side. Carlene asked if it was going to be used to patrol private property. John stated that no it is not going to be used for that, it will be used for the ATV problem in the twp. This will allow the police to pursue the ATV's that are on the public roads and that disappear into the woods. Jerry stated that this may be a better question for the police, so they can explain what their plans are. Jerry stated that the grant money is for the police only and cannot be used for anything else. It was awarded for them to buy what they needed to help police the twp. Carlene asked what percentage of the traffic stops goes to Foster. Jerry stated that he will have to look at the contract to get the exact figures and get back to her.

Cole Leonard asked if there is any way to get his money back for a permit that was issued to him last year for a garage, that Hickory Hills will no longer allow him to do? He said everything was approved by Foster, and then Hickory Hills changed their minds, so he scrapped the project. The board stated they would look into getting him his money back for the permits, but any fees that he paid to Tino, they have no control over.

ADJOURNMENT

Jerry made the motion to adjourn. John seconds the motion. Roll Call was yes by all.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brittany Majewski

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Municipal Secretary