

**FOSTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES**  
**September 14, 2016**  
**6:00 PM**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Call to order the 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. Uricheck	<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 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. Uricheck		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Uricheck
	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Brogan		<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Brogan

Roll Call:	Ms. Eckrote-Jones	Mr. Uricheck	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 the Treasurers Report due to availability to public.
- Motion to *read* the Treasurers Report.

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

Roll Call:	Ms. Eckrote-Jones	Mr. Uricheck	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 LIST OF BILLS**

- Motion to *dispense* with Reading of 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. Uricheck		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Uricheck
	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Brogan		<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Brogan

Roll Call:	Ms. Eckrote-Jones	Mr. Uricheck	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



- People are parking on the streets. Chairman Brogan stated that the State Police should be contacted.
- Residents asked what should be done with unattended campfires. Fire Chief Mike Spock instructed the residents to call 911 so that the Fire Department may be dispatched.
- A resident asked if the Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance is available. Georgiann stated that we have copies available.
- A resident stated that renters are not cleaning up after their dogs. Mrs. Damico stated that she has been attacked by a pitbull on her own property. Robert suggested installing signs warning people to curb their dogs or face a fine. Attorney Karpowich stated that dogs may only relieve themselves in their own yards and it must be immediately cleaned up. The public may traverse a public right-of-way, once that right-of-way is properly identified.
- Multiple residents stated that they feel unsafe with vehicles passing by their properties very slowly. Residents stated that there is also a problem with speeding. There is discussion about cutting the trees back at the top of the hill and possibly installing speed bumps.
- Residents stated that renters leave cigarette butts to clean up.
- Attorney Karpowich discussed the difference between a Homeowner's Association's Articles of Incorporation and a Deed Covenant. Violation of a Deed Covenant must be handled as a civil action.
- A property on Lakeside is rumored to be leased to the government as a halfway house.
- Merri Damico asked where to find wetlands and access road maps. Mrs. Petrovich stated that the Courthouse has all of those documents. The Township Zoning Map is available online.
- A resident asked what is being done about blighted properties. Chairman Brogan stated that the Township can only go so far. Attorney Karpowich stated that a complaint must be made to the Code Enforcement Officer.
- Victor Capo, owner of rental properties, addressed the residents. He encouraged residents to call the State Police when renters are being a nuisance.
- There was discussion of charging a percentage as hotel tax.
- Donna Fairchild stated that Mike Cimorrelli took care of a fireworks complaint for someone else's rental property. One of the rental property owners stated that he treats the lake.
- Attorney Karpowich read paperwork pertaining to Wilfing v. Foster Township Zoning Hearing Board, which ruled in favor of Mr. Wilfing. There was discussion regarding a failed appeal and what the ruling means for the other rental property owners.
- John Petrick suggested that the residents of Lake Ag Mar form a Homeowners Association to be able to police their own community. He added that anyone may rent their home to anyone else for any amount of time. Mrs. Damico stated that the residents don't want to form a Homeowners Association.
- Mr. Cimorelli asked for a legal definition of "right-of-way" from the center of the street. Attorney Karpowich stated that the Engineer would need to look at it.
- Chairman Brogan asked the property owners to provide neighbors with contact information so that they may be reached directly instead of having to call the State Police. A resident asked for an Ordinance that mandates the landlord to provide contact information to the neighbors. John Petrick stated that the Board may pass an Ordinance, but it will be difficult to enforce without a police force.
- Attorney Karpowich recommended designating someone local to be able to respond to complaints. Georgiann asked if contact information may be put on the Township website.

Above all, residents are asking for respect from the renters and owners of the rental properties.

Robert thanked the Board of Supervisors for installing Speed Minders on 940. He suggested turning the Freeland Market (which is currently up for sale) into a State Police Barracks. He discussed bringing industry into the area.

John Petrick stated that residents should be thankful that the Township took over the roads. He asked that people be patient while the Township fixes them.

Dave Maso spoke regarding homes that are being built on Hillary Drive West. It is suspected that those properties are illegally hooking into the lateral sewer line.

**ADJOURNMENT**

- Motion to Adjourn
- Motion to Continue

Motion By:	■ Ms. Eckrote-Jones	Second By:	□ Ms. Eckrote-Jones
	□ Mr. Uricheck		■ Mr. Uricheck
	□ Mr. Brogan		□ Mr. Brogan

Roll Call:	Ms. Eckrote-Jones	Mr. Uricheck	Mr. Brogan
	■ Yes	■ Yes	■ Yes
	□ No	□ No	□ No
	□ Abstain	□ Abstain	□ Abstain

Respectfully Submitted,

Alicia Stier  
Municipal Secretary