

Foster Township Board of Supervisors
Regular Monthly Meeting
Minutes
November 13, 2019
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 Present Absent
Mr. Spock Present Absent
Mr. Brogan Present 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: Ms. Eckrote-Jones Mr. Spock Mr. Brogan
Second By: Ms. Eckrote-Jones Mr. Spock Mr. Brogan

Roll Call: Ms. Eckrote-Jones Mr. Spock Mr. Brogan
 Yes Yes Yes
 No No No
 Abstain Abstain 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: Ms. Eckrote-Jones Mr. Spock Mr. Brogan
Second By: Ms. Eckrote-Jones Mr. Spock Mr. Brogan

Roll Call: Ms. Eckrote-Jones Mr. Spock Mr. Brogan
 Yes Yes Yes
 No No No
 Abstain Abstain 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: Ms. Eckrote-Jones Mr. Spock Mr. Brogan
Second By: Ms. Eckrote-Jones Mr. Spock Mr. Brogan

Roll Call: Ms. Eckrote-Jones Mr. Spock Mr. Brogan
 Yes Yes Yes
 No No No
 Abstain Abstain Abstain

APPROVE FOR PAYMENT

- Motion to *Approve* Bills for Payment.
- Motion to *Disapprove* Bills for Payment.

Motion By: Ms. Eckrote-Jones Mr. Spock Mr. Brogan
Second By: Ms. Eckrote-Jones Mr. Spock Mr. Brogan

Roll Call: Ms. Eckrote-Jones Mr. Spock Mr. Brogan
 Yes Yes Yes
 No No No
 Abstain Abstain Abstain

BUSINESS:

Motion to Advertise 2020 Budget & Tax Levy – Jerry stated that there is no proposed tax increase at this time.

Georgiann made the motion to advertise. Mike stated that he would not second because there is a \$10 sewer increase included. Jerry seconds the motion. Roll Call was Yes by Georgiann and Jerry, No by Mike.

Resolution #7 of 2019 – Applying for an LSA grant for the purchase of a trash compactor. Jerry made the motion to approve the resolution. Mike seconds the motion. Roll Call was Yes by all.

Dinko Subdivision (2) tabled – Mike made the motion to untable. Jerry seconds the motion. Roll Call was Yes by all. At this time Dave Popiak explained that there are issues with the plans that were received and sent to DEP. At this time, it is suggested that the board deny the subdivision and withdraw the planning modules from DEP, if they resubmit the twp can waive the applications fees, although the fees incurred by the twp will still be owed. Mike made the motion to deny the subdivision, but waive applications fees if they resubmit within the next 6 mos. Georgiann seconds the motion. Roll Call was Yes by all.

Wastewater Pump Station O&M Agreement – Attny Karpowich explained that it is a simple contract with ESC, to check the pumping stations once a month for a flat fee. The term is for one year. Jerry made the motion to approve the contract. Mike seconds the motion. Roll Call was Yes by all.

Engineers Report – Mike from Peter's Consultants stated that he needs the okay from the board to proceed with the streambank investigation. Attny Karpowich stated that Freeland might go together with Foster to fix the problem so they only need to investigate to find a possible solution. Jerry made the motion. Mike seconds the motion. Roll Call was Yes by all.

Sewer Report – Mike stated that there are still high outputs from Citterio's. Also, there are a lot of missing clean out caps that should be replaced to prevent infiltration, the guys in the garage may be able to replace.

Solicitors Report – MMI would like to consolidate 3 lots that they have obtained. Combined it will be .843 of an acre. Jerry made the motion. Mike seconds the motion. Roll Call was Yes by all. Citterios would like to also combine land that they obtained behind their building. Combined it would be a total of 30 acres. He stated that they would also like to rezone the property from A-1 to I-1. Jerry made the motion to advertise for the voluntary rezone. Georgiann seconds the motion. Roll Call was Yes by all. Attny Karpowich presented the board with two proposed ordinances for vacation rentals and the landlord/tenant registration. They were given to him from the attny representing a couple down on River Rd. He would like to board to review and make any changes. Mike made the motion to advertise for adoption at the January meeting. Georgiann seconds the motion. Roll Call Yes by all.

Zoning Report – Pat stated the 30 days for the NOV that was sent to a property in Sandy Run is up today. He received a complaint about a common fence, but when he went to the properties, the complainants house is actually not in compliance. At the one hearing he attended, the defendant stated that there are multiple properties that need to be cited, and he is being targeted. He was asked for a list so Pat can investigate and proceed with the proper action. There was an issue with a logger blocking Meir Rd., he called Mike and he was able to get the equipment moved for him. He received 6 complaints from Hickory Hills for vehicles, he stated that he needs to be able to take his own pictures and he was only able to get a few. Mr. Wilfing asked why Hickory Hills cannot take care of these on their own. At this time Ms. Lachewitz stated that the board gave them to the zoning officer because they are not allowed to go on to private property but he can. Pat also asked about the notice that he was asked to place on a property on Cedar St. He was told it was for the water being turned off at the curb over 5 years ago, and the sign needs to be reposted. Georgiann gave Keith's report: twp checks were done, violations that were found were acted on. Most of the violations were in Hickory Hills. There were multiple complaints filed with the office and they are being investigated. Three zoning and 4 building permits were issued. He had two magistrate hearings, the one person was found guilty and had to pay \$300 plus court costs and attorney's fees. The hearing for Ms. Kroening was continued so she could comply and file for a zoning hearing.

CORRESPONDENCES: None

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Ms. Lachewitz would like to know about the rate increase, will it be per month? Jerry stated that it is only proposed in the new budget and yes it would be \$10 per month. She also wanted to know if the board has started to block sewers. The board has stated that they have not yet. She would also like to know how to find out when properties sell at repository. Attny Karpowich stated that they can be found on the northeast revenue site. She would like to know what to do with the short-term rentals in Hickory Hills. Attny Karpowich told her that they would have to contact the zoning officer and get registered. She stated that she would like to let them know about possible inspections as well.

John Petrick would like to know what is Little Washington Wastewater and why are we paying them \$42K? Attny Karpowich stated that it is for maintenance and treatment of the east end. He also asked about the Peters consultant bill

for the sewer extension for over \$5K. He would like to know what we have paid them for that came to almost \$10K in two months. Mike from Peter's Consultants stated that it was because of the survey that needed to be redone and then the easement was given. Attny Karpowich stated that it should be submitted to be reimbursed. John asked if the twp received the grant money. Pay requests have to be submitted to receive the actual money. He asked if the expenses were being taken from the general sewer fund, Jerry stated yes or the general fund.

ADJOURNMENT

- Motion to Adjourn
- Motion to Continue

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

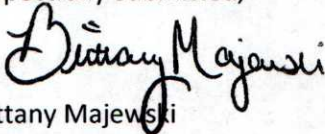
Second By: ■ Ms. Eckrote-Jones
□ Mr. Spock
□ Mr. Brogan

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

Mr. Spock
■ Yes
□ No
□ Abstain

Mr. Brogan
■ Yes
□ No
□ Abstain

Respectfully Submitted,



Brittany Majewski
Municipal Secretary