

Foster Township Board of Supervisors

Regular Monthly Meeting

Minutes

January 2, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Mr. Todd Titus	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Mr. Malloy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Mr. Pavuk	<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"/> Mr. Todd Titus	Second By:	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Todd Titus
	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Malloy		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Malloy
	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Pavuk		<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Pavuk

Roll Call:	Mr. Todd Titus	Mr. Malloy	Mr. Pavuk
	<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 *not available for time of meeting

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 type="checkbox"/> Mr. Todd Titus	Second By:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Todd Titus
	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Malloy		<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Malloy
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Pavuk		<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Pavuk

Roll Call:	Mr. Todd Titus	Mr. Malloy	Mr. Pavuk
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	<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 type="checkbox"/> Mr. Todd Titus	Second By:	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Todd Titus
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Malloy		<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Malloy
	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Pavuk		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Pavuk

Roll Call:	Mr. Todd Titus	Mr. Malloy	Mr. Pavuk
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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 ZONING REPORT

Motion to Dispense with Reading of the Zoning Report due to availability to public

Motion to read the Zoning Report

Motion By: Mr. Todd Titus
 Mr. Malloy
 Mr. Pavuk

Second By: Mr. Todd Titus
 Mr. Malloy
 Mr. Pavuk

Roll Call:	Mr. Todd Titus	Mr. Malloy	Mr. Pavuk
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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 OFFICE REPORT *nothing new to report

READING OF POLICE REPORT *not available for time of meeting

READING OF FIRE REPORT *not available for time of meeting

READING OF ROADMASTER REPORT

Motion to Dispense with Reading of the Roadmaster Report due to availability to public

Motion to read the Roadmaster Report

Motion By: Mr. Todd Titus
 Mr. Malloy
 Mr. Pavuk

Second By: Mr. Todd Titus
 Mr. Malloy
 Mr. Pavuk

Roll Call:	Mr. Todd Titus	Mr. Malloy	Mr. Pavuk
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	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain

BUSINESS

Motion to Adopt Ordinance 1 of 2024 – Making a portion of Cedar Street between Luzerne St and Carbon St available for state aid. Wilson made the motion. John seconds the motion. Roll Call is yes by all.

Adopt Union Contract – John made the motion to approve and adopt the Teamsters Union Contract for 2023-2025. Todd seconds the motion. Roll Call was yes by all.

Township Manager Appointment – Wilson made the motion to appoint Brittany Majewski as Twp Manager, with a two-year contract. John seconds the motion. Roll Call yes by all.

Engineers Report – No one present.

Sewer Report – Nothing to report.

Solicitors Report – Attny Poremba had nothing to report.

CORRESPONDENCES

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Valerie Capozzelli stated that she is the chairwoman of the ZHB and she is wondering if the supervisors took into consideration Ben Evancho's request to allow self-storage yards by special exemption in an I-1 district. Wilson stated that he spoke with the Attny and Ben will have to appeal to the ZHB for a special exception. At this time, Greg Capozzelli, whom is also on the ZHB, stated that Ben was already in front of the ZHB and what he is requesting is NOT permitted, hence that is why he is asking the board to change it. It would be pointless to come back to the ZHB prior to it being amended. Valerie and Greg congratulated Brittany on her appointment.

Alice Lachewitz would like to know, since the residents in Hickory Hills pay taxes but Foster does nothing for them, then what do they get? Wilson states that if it doesn't involve the health and safety of life then the twp cannot get involved because they have an HOA board. Alice asked about the ordinance that the twp put in place for short term rentals, why does the HOA have to enforce something that the Twp puts in place, why can't the twp enforce their own ordinance? Wilson stated that since there is an HOA everything needs to go through that board first, until all options are exhausted. Alice also asked if the HOA disbands, what impact does that take on the residents? Wilson stated that he is unsure.

Ben Evancho spoke about why he was at the meeting last month, he wanted to provide some clarification. He is asking for a self-storage facility to be a permitted use in an I-1 zoning district, either by way of special exception or conditional use. As of right now the zoning ordinance does not allow them in an I-1, as per the Zoning Hearing Boards decision. John stated that he would like to see plans of what he would like to do with the property and where things will be situated. Wilson stated that once there are plans then they will look into what needs to be done. At this time Brittany stated that she was in contact with the planning consultant about getting this changed to a conditional/special permitted use, but she has not heard back from him as of the meeting. She also stated that Brian informed that there is no definition for a "self-storage facility" in the ordinance, therefore the board will need to determine that. Ben stated that he will get his plans up to the office so everyone can see what he would like to do with the property. He also asked the board to look at the limit of containers that is allowed to be placed per Ordinance 1 of 2022. He asked if an amendment can be considered.

Ed Rossi asked if what Ben is asking for is considered spot zoning? The board didn't think so. Brittany stated that Ben is not looking to get the zoning of the property changed, he is only looking to get something permitted within that zoning, therefore it would not be considered spots zoning.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn

Motion to Continue

Motion By: Mr. Todd Titus
 Mr. Malloy
 Mr. Pavuk

Second By: Mr. Todd Titus
 Mr. Malloy
 Mr. Pavuk

Roll Call: Mr. Todd Titus Mr. Malloy Mr. Pavuk
 Yes Yes Yes

Respectfully Submitted,

Brittany Majewski
Township Manager