Foster Township Board of Supervisors
Regular Monthly Meeting
Minutes
February 8, 2023

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

Ms. Eckrote Jones	■Present via Zoom	❒Absent
Mr. Malloy	■Present	❒Absent
Mr. Pavuk	■Present	❒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:	❒Ms. Eckrote Jones ■Mr. Malloy ❒Mr. Pavuk	Second By:	■Ms. Eckrote Jones ❒Mr. Malloy ❒Mr. Pavuk

Roll Call:	Ms. Eckrote Jones	Mr. Malloy	Mr. Pavuk
	■Yes	■Yes	■Yes
	❒No	❒No	❒No
	❒Abstain	❒Abstain	❒Abstain

READING OF TREASURER'S REPORT
■Motion to Dispense with Reading of Treasurer's Report due to availability to public
❒Motion to read Treasurer's Report

Motion By:	■Ms. Eckrote Jones ❒Mr. Malloy ❒Mr. Pavuk	Second By:	❒Ms. Eckrote Jones ❒Mr. Malloy ■Mr. Pavuk

Roll Call:	Ms. Eckrote Jones	Mr. Malloy	Mr. Pavuk
	■Yes	■Yes	■Yes
	❒No	❒No	❒No
	❒Abstain	❒Abstain	❒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:	■Ms. Eckrote Jones ❒Mr. Malloy ❒Mr. Pavuk	Second By:	❒Ms. Eckrote Jones ■Mr. Malloy ❒Mr. Pavuk

Roll Call:	Ms. Eckrote Jones	Mr. Malloy	Mr. Pavuk
	■Yes	■Yes	■Yes
	❒No	❒No	❒No
	❒Abstain	❒Abstain	❒Abstain

APPROVE FOR PAYMENT

■Motion to Approve Bills for Payment with the addition of Feussners Ford for $300.55
❒Motion to Disapprove Bills for Payment

Motion By:	■Ms. Eckrote Jones ❒Mr. Malloy ❒Mr. Pavuk	Second By:	❒Ms. Eckrote Jones ■Mr. Malloy ❒Mr. Pavuk

Roll Call:	Ms. Eckrote Jones	Mr. Malloy	Mr. Pavuk
	■Yes	■Yes	■Yes
	❒No	❒No	❒No
	❒Abstain	❒Abstain	❒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:	❒Ms. Eckrote Jones ■Mr. Malloy ❒Mr. Pavuk	Second By:	❒Ms. Eckrote Jones ❒Mr. Malloy ■Mr. Pavuk

Roll Call:	Ms. Eckrote Jones	Mr. Malloy	Mr. Pavuk
	■Yes	■Yes	■Yes
	❒No	❒No	❒No
	❒Abstain	❒Abstain	❒Abstain

READING OF POLICE REPORT

■Motion to Dispense with Reading of the Police Report due to availability to public
❒Motion to read the Police Report

Motion By:	■Ms. Eckrote Jones ❒Mr. Malloy ❒Mr. Pavuk	Second By:	❒Ms. Eckrote Jones ❒Mr. Malloy ■Mr. Pavuk

Roll Call:	Ms. Eckrote Jones	Mr. Malloy	Mr. Pavuk
	■Yes	■Yes	■Yes
	❒No	❒No	❒No
	❒Abstain	❒Abstain	❒Abstain

READING OF FIRE REPORT

■Motion to Dispense with Reading of the Fire Report due to availability to public
❒Motion to read the Fire Report

Motion By:	■Ms. Eckrote Jones ❒Mr. Malloy ❒Mr. Pavuk	Second By:	❒Ms. Eckrote Jones ■Mr. Malloy ❒Mr. Pavuk

Roll Call:	Ms. Eckrote Jones	Mr. Malloy	Mr. Pavuk
	■Yes	■Yes	■Yes
	❒No	❒No	❒No
	❒Abstain	❒Abstain	❒Abstain

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:	❒Ms. Eckrote Jones ■Mr. Malloy ❒Mr. Pavuk	Second By:	❒Ms. Eckrote Jones ❒Mr. Malloy ■Mr. Pavuk

Roll Call:	Ms. Eckrote Jones	Mr. Malloy	Mr. Pavuk
	■Yes	■Yes	■Yes
	❒No	❒No	❒No
	❒Abstain	❒Abstain	❒Abstain

BUSINESS
Award Crack Seal Bid – Wilson explained that there was one bid received for crack seal from AMS. Wilson made the motion to award the bid at a price of $9.97 per lb with a minimum order of one pallet which is 4500 Lbs. John seconds the motion. Roll Call was yes by all.
Advertise for Bids- Phase II of 940 sewer extension is ready to be put out for bid. Mary Peters explained that all permits are in hand, and she would like to have the project out for bid for next meeting. Wilson made the motion to move forward. John seconds the motion. Roll Call was yes by all.
Franzosa Contract Addendum – Attny Favreau explained that this is a one-year warranty with Franzosa to cover the work that was done on Carbon & Kalmia Streets. Nothing needs to be done with this, as it is just an addendum to the original contract.
Truck Lease – Wilson explained that since the '03 Mack that we have is in very bad condition, the board is looking into leasing a brand-new Mack Truck for a term of 5 years for an annual payment of $68,718.69. Total amount being leased would be $300,416.68, the board plans to take money from the General Fund and Liquid Fuels. There is equipment that is going to be sold to offset the initial cost. Wilson stated that the lease would be through Municipal Capital Finance. John made the motion. Wilson seconds the motion. Roll Call was yes by all.
Paving Packets – Wilson stated that he has been talking to John and Tom regarding paving that he wants to get done this year, and he asked Tom to put together bid packages for Washington, Ridge, Fern St. These would be from the twp line to Hazle St. Hazle Street from Centre to Washington. There will be ADA requirements for handicap accessible curbing. Wilson stated that these funds will come from the sewer sale money.
Adopt Fee Schedule – Wilson stated that this is an updated fee schedule for all fees within the township. There are a few changes and additions, including but not limited to a fee for working without a permit. Georgiann made the motion to adopt Resolution 2 of 2023. Wilson seconds the motion. Roll Call was yes by all.
Engineering Report – Tom stated that he is currently working on the paving bid packets and waiting on the results of the LSA grants. Wilson said that he got word they will not be awarded until May.
Sewer Report – None
Solicitors Report – None
CORRESPONDENCE
None
PUBLIC COMMENTS
Wilson took this time to Thank the residents on behalf of the board and the Police Chief. If it wasn't for tips that they received in regards to the robbery at the gas station here on the corner they might not have found the suspect so quickly. In the case of all recent events all suspects were apprehended.

Bill Wilkus asked if the zoning officer can come down to Hickory Hills because there are violations everywhere that have not been taken care of in a long period of time. Wilson stated that complaint forms need to be filled out and given to Brian.
Mark Lachewitz asked if the short-term rental policy applies to Hickory Hills and if anyone is grandfathered in? Wilson stated that yes it applies to everyone in the twp, and no one is grandfathered into this policy. He explained that letters have already gone out from the zoning office regarding it. Mark also asked about the possible help that Foster was willing to give to get a grant. He stated that the financials that were not being presented, are finally available. Wilson explained that our engineer does our grant writing and its at a cost to the twp. Mark stated that they are just looking for someone to possibly shadow. Wilson explained that he does them for the fire company and all grant writing really is, is telling a really good detailed story.
Joy Kroening asked about the rental fees and inspections and if they will be submitted to the twp? She also would like to know what is going to happen to the people that do not have a rental permit? The board explained that there is a new fee for working without a permit along with the other fines for not following the ordinance. She stated that nothing is being done in Hickory Hills and there are people renting and not getting permits. Wilson stated that since this is so new, its going to take some time to get everything in order and get everyone to comply, but as he previously stated the first set of letters went out and a second set is going out this month. The landlords need time to get all the information needed, they have that right.
Jim Shanda asked if there was an actual fine for violation of this policy. Wilson stated that yes there is a fine for not following it, starting with the working without a permit fee of $150. He asked about a copy of the ordinance and the board explained that it can be found on the twp website.
Janet Mele would like to know how someone can go about finding out the allowable occupancy of each rental home? She has had several issues with the renters that have been there, various violations all of which she has documented with the police. Wilson asked her to please submit them to Brian as well. She asked if the rental permit can be taken away. Wilson stated that yes it can just like any other permit, if there is an issue. The board explained that the occupancy is set by the UCC and goes by square footage.

ADJOURNMENT
■Motion to Adjourn
❒Motion to Continue

Motion By:	❒Ms. Eckrote Jones ❒Mr. Malloy ■Mr. Pavuk	Second By:	❒Ms. Eckrote Jones ■Mr. Malloy ❒Mr. Pavuk

Roll Call:	Ms. Eckrote Jones	Mr. Malloy	Mr. Pavuk
	■Yes	■Yes	■Yes
	❒No	❒No	❒No
	❒Abstain	❒Abstain	❒Abstain

Respectfully Submitted,
Brittany Majewski
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Municipal Secretary