

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**Monday, January 3, 2022**

**INC. VILLAGE OF FARMINGDALE**

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Farmingdale was held at 8:00 p.m. on Monday, January 3, 2022.

**Present:** Mayor Ralph Ekstrand  
Deputy Mayor William Barrett  
Trustee Cheryl Parisi  
Trustee Walter Priestley  
Trustee Anthony Addeo  
Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer Brian Harty  
Superintendent of Buildings Steve Fellman  
Public Works Superintendent Andrew Fisch

**Absent:** Attorney Claudio DeBellis

Mayor Ekstrand opened the meeting at 8:00 PM with the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Mayor Ekstrand made the following announcements:

- The next Board meeting with public comment period will be held on Monday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Regular Work Sessions will be held on Tuesday, January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Monday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Monday, January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022 and Monday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.
- The following resolutions were approved at the December 20<sup>th</sup> Work Session:
  - Approved and awarded contract to Bensin Contracting, as the lowest responsible bidder for the total three year period, for Electrical Maintenance and Repair at a cost of \$11,250.00 for the initial service period through May 31, 2022.
  - Hired Reilly Fellman as a Temporary Part-Time Administrative Intern at a wage of \$15.00 per hour.
  - Accepted and approved the Town of Oyster Bay’s Dog Warden Service Agreement effective January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2023.
  - Approved salary increase for Dave Rodenburg to \$25.00/hour as he is assuming Code Supervisor duties.

**REGULAR MEETING BUSINESS ITEMS** – Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor Barrett and seconded by Trustee Parisi, the following items were, **RESOLVED (#2022-01-01)**,

- Abstract of Audited Vouchers #1157 dated January 3, 2022.

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- Minutes of Board Meetings of 12/6/21, 12/20/21 as amended
- Use of Village Property:
  - None
- Block Party Applications:
  - None
- Tax certiorari's:
  - Tax Certiorari settlement Re: 850 Fulton Street LLC. Sec. 49, Blk. 166, Lot 38: Premises 850 Fulton Street (Northwell Health/doctor's offices), for tax years 2013/14 through and including 2021/2022 for a refund of \$9,000, with a reduction in assessed value to \$1,950,000. If assessment remains at the reduced value for tax years 2022/23 through and including 2023/24, no Article 7 proceedings will be filed.

**BUILDING PERMITS** – The Board of Trustees accepted the listing of the following building permits issued since last month's meeting:

DATE	LOCATION	CONSTRUCTION/COMMENTS	ARB	C/R
12/3/21	505 Conklin St Anthony Rizzuto DB21-00111	Interior alterations new service counter. 12 seats only.	N/A	C
12/8/21	890 Fulton St. D & F Development PP21-00044	Hydrant flow test for new fire system service installation	N/A	C
12/8/21	125 Secatogue Ave Nunzis Restaurant DB21-00112	Install 5' x 10' canvas seasonal vestibule as per drawing by MM Sign and Awning Co.	N/A	C
12/8/21	81 Conklin St. Walter Priestley PP21-00045	Abandon existing oil tank and replace with two new tanks in basement	N/A	R
12/14/21	69a Clinton St. Robert Tyree PP21-00046	Gas conversion	N/A	R
12/14/21	69b Clinton St. Robert Tyree PP21-00047	Gas conversion	N/A	R
12/14/21	110 Nelson St. Lauren Fisch-Henry DB21-00113	Pod in driveway	N/A	R
12/14/21	398 Conklin St. Anthony Davanzo PP21-00048	New gas furnace	N/A	C
12/17/21	600 Fulton St. Allure Designs Inc. DB21-00114	First floor direct bathroom replacement	N/A	R
12/17/21	600 Fulton St. Allure Designs Inc.	Three fixtures	N/A	R

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	PP21-00050			
12/17/21	102 Conklin St. Andrew & Arnold Harris DB21-00115	Replace main electric service.	N/A	R
12/17/21	19 Jerome Drive Sunil & Amit Shah DB21-00117	Oil to gas conversion including boiler, hot water heater, dryer and stove	N/A	R
12/20/21	159 Thomas Powell Blvd. Jesus Pernas DB21-00116	Replace existing 275 gallon oil tank.	N/A	R
12/21/21	14 Cooper St. David & Carole Biggin DB21-00118	Construct front portico as per drawings submitted by Steven Treubert P.E., dated 4/2021.	N/A	R
12/21/21	25 Roxbury St. Edward Morrison PP21-00051	Direct replacement of oil burner	N/A	R

**PUBLIC HEARING DATES** – Upon a motion made by Trustee Priestley and seconded by Trustee Addeo, it was,

**RESOLVED (#2022-01-02)**, to set the following public hearing for Monday, January 3, 2022 at 8:00 p.m.:

- Amend current code to reflect that all properties that have pods must obtain a permit if the anticipated time for use of the pod is more than 7 days with a 90 day limit.
- Special Use Permit for 356 Fulton St. (corner of Heisser Lane) to add cooking and food concession to gas station operation.

**PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER A LOCAL LAW TO DELETE SEC. B-4 OF CODE SEC. 259-8** – Upon a motion made by Trustee Parisi and seconded by Deputy Mayor Barrett, it was unanimously,

**RESOLVED (#2022-01-03)**, to adjourn the hearing until Monday, February 7, 2022 at 8:00 p.m.

**PUBLIC HEARING TO CHANGE 1 CONKLIN STREET ZONING** – Upon a motion made by Trustee Parisi and seconded by Deputy Mayor Barrett, it was unanimously,

**RESOLVED (#2022-01-04)**, to adjourn the hearing until Monday, February 7, 2022 at 8:00 p.m.

**PUBLIC HEARING FOR SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR 247-249 MAIN ST.** – Upon a motion made by Trustee Priestley and seconded by Trustee Parisi, it was unanimously,

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**RESOLVED (#2022-01-05)**, to open the hearing.

There being no public comment, upon a motion made by Trustee Parisi and seconded by Trustee Priestley, it was unanimously,

**RESOLVED (#2022-01-06)**, to close the hearing.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Priestley and seconded by Trustee Parisi, it was unanimously,

**RESOLVED (#2022-01-07)**, to approve the Special Use Permit and Parking Requirements for 247-249 Main St. (Burgerology). The applicant will purchase 3 parking spaces at a cost of \$15,000 with \$5,000 due upon issuance of the Certificate of Occupancy, \$5,000 due by January 2023 and \$5,000 due by January 2024. Village Code should be followed for opening and closing; deliveries to be made in rear of the store only, no deliveries from Main Street.

A general discussion took place regarding the addition of an 8 foot fence at 220 Fulton Street, after presentations by the applicant, his attorney, architect and appraiser. The applicant indicated that the need for the 8 foot fence/wall was for security and to shield the neighbors from unsightly vehicles that have been in accidents, thereby maintaining real estate values for the neighbors. The applicant also said that there is precedent for an 8 foot fence between residential and commercial properties in various Village locations. He indicated that he will place a brick veneer on the wall and that the wall facing Fulton Street will have a decorative waterfall. It was noted that the applicant needs to go to the Planning Board/ARB for signage approval and that no customer auto repair will take place at the site. The applicant may service his own vehicles there. The resolution will be held until later.

**NEW HIRE** – Upon a motion made by Trustee Priestley and seconded by Trustee Parisi, it was unanimously,

**RESOLVED (#2022-01-08)**, to hire Nick Frigerio as a Parking Meter Attendant at a rate of \$18.00 per hour.

**ASCAP LICENSE FEE** – Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor Barrett and seconded by Trustee Addeo, it was unanimously,

**RESOLVED (#2022-01-09)**, to pay ASCAP \$390.00 for an annual license fee to use music under copyright at the Village and at Village approved events.

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**VILLAGE REGISTRATION DAY** – Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor Barrett and seconded by Trustee Parisi, it was unanimously,

**RESOLVED (#2022-01-10)**, to eliminate a Village Registration Day for the upcoming Village election.

**BEAUTIFICATION** – Trustee Parisi reported the following:

- The parking lots will have more hanging baskets next year.
- Renovations at 5 Corners Park is underway and will be completed in the spring with plantings as soon as weather permits.

**OLD BUSINESS** - None

**CORRESPONDENCE** – None

**FAIR HOUSING COMPLAINTS & COMMENTS** - None

**PUBLIC COMMENT** – A discussion began on the following topics:

- A resident requested that contact information for taxi companies be publicized by the Village, as well as a method to contact and use Uber and Lyft if one does not have a smartphone and/or app.
- The Nassau County Police POP officer provided a report on local activity between October and December of 2021. The POP officer expressed concern about security at the new 5 Corners Park – the new park will have improved lighting, security cameras and improved visuals as a number of trees have been removed.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**, upon a motion made by Trustee Parisi and seconded by Trustee Priestley, it was unanimously,

**RESOLVED (#2022-01-11)**, to move to Executive Session to discuss legal and personnel issues.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Priestley and seconded by Trustee Parisi, it was unanimously,

**RESOLVED (#2022-01-12)**, to reconvene the meeting.

**220 FULTON STREET FENCE** – Upon a motion made by Trustee Priestley and seconded by Trustee Parisi, it was unanimously,

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**RESOLVED (#2022-01-13)**, to approve request by 220 Fulton Street to erect an 8 foot high fence made of masonry, with the following conditions: The project must be completed by July 1, 2022 with the C/O, otherwise a \$5,000 permit renewal fee will be imposed, and that hours of operation will be 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Monday – Friday and 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Saturday, closed on Sunday.

**NEW POSITION/HIRE** – Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor Barrett and seconded by Trustee Addeo, it was unanimously,

**RESOLVED (#2022-01-14)**, to approve the establishment of the new position of “Deputy Superintendent of Public Works” and to hire Jeff Patanjo for that new position as a Part-Time Deputy at an hourly rate of \$50.00 per hour with a full package of medical benefits and a contribution of 10% from the employee for the cost of those benefits.

**ISSUANCE OF VIOLATIONS** – Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor Barrett and seconded by Trustee Priestley, it was unanimously,

**RESOLVED (#2022-01-15)**, to authorize issuance of violations for all Vehicle & Traffic Law infractions specified in Vehicle & Traffic Law §1640 in accordance with Vehicle & Traffic Law §1640 and Village Code 98-2.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Brian P. Harty  
Village Clerk/Treasurer