

**WORK SESSION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**Monday, September 22, 2014**

**INC. VILLAGE OF FARMINGDALE**

The Work Session of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Farmingdale was held at Village Hall, 361 Main Street, Farmingdale, New York on Monday, September 22, 2014.

Present: Mayor Ralph Ekstrand  
Deputy Mayor Patricia Christiansen  
Trustee Cheryl Parisi  
Administrator Brian Harty  
Building Superintendent Stephen Fellman  
DPW Superintendent Andrew Fisch  
David Tanner, Liberty Capital Services

Excused: Trustee Thomas Ryan

Mayor Ekstrand opened the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

David Tanner, Liberty Capital Services, addressed the Board and advised of the new requirements of the SEC for municipal filings of all financial information including audited and unaudited annual financial statements to the newly created MSRB (Municipal Securities Rule Making Board). Mr. Tanner's firm will submit these filings on behalf of the Village. He also advised the Village of current bond and BAN interest rates for any borrowing being considered by the Village.

Administrator Harty advised the Board that 113 applications have been received so far for the sidewalk rehab program. Deadline is September 30, 2014. \$20,000 has been appropriated for the program which will cover approximately 320 flags. A lottery will be held to determine selection of winning applicants. Those not chosen will be automatically put on the list for next year's program in the order that their application is selected in the lottery.

Building Superintendent Fellman advised that the Tattoo Parlor located on Main Street has relocated to the shopping strip on Route 109 between Doud and Bernard Streets. The business will require a Special Use Permit and may not operate until the permit is granted. A Public Hearing will be announced at the October Board meeting and the application will be heard at the November Board meeting.

Superintendent Fellman further advised the Board that Oshun Furniture has gone out of business and an application has been received for a building permit for a Zumba Studio. Use of the facility will not exceed 49 persons at any time, therefore, it is considered a retail establishment (Public Assembly would apply to 50 or more persons) and the use being considered retail to retail does not require a Special Use Permit.

Administrator Harty advised the Board that the brick walkways between CVS and the Fire House as well as between The Republic and Wings should be completed within the next two weeks.

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Administrator Harty further advised that roadwork construction on the south end of Main Street (between Route 109 and Prospect Street) has commenced. Mr. Harty has met with the store owners together with Nassau County representatives and the trees will remain as is, sidewalks and bricks will be replaced. Remaining work on Main Street will be completed, including new turning lanes at the intersection of Main Street and Conklin Street, once funds (approximately \$200,000) are received from Nassau County as part of the Municipal Agreement signed by the Mayor.

The paving Requirements Contract will be sent out to bid on October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Bids will be due on October 29<sup>th</sup> and awarded at the November 3, 2014 Board meeting.

Mayor Ekstrand announced that he will be a panelist at the Vision Long Island Smart Growth Summit on November 21, 2014.

Trustee Parisi requested that Village Attorney DeBellis look into the ability of the Village to set speed limits on Village streets in school zones at the same limit. Currently some are 15 mph while others are 20 mph.

Administrator Harty advised that a resident of Dale Drive has submitted a request to purchase Village land in the front of his home. Attorney DeBellis will contact the resident to explain the process.

Deputy Mayor Christiansen requested that the Village consider establishing an ordinance to require utilities to remove poles in a timely manner once a new pole is put into place. Failure to do so will result in fines. Deputy Mayor Christiansen will contact the Village of North Hempstead and request a copy of their recently enacted Ordinance.

Discussion was held regarding the Village property at Merritt Road and Hempstead Turnpike. It was agreed that this will require a major renovation and be quite costly. Further review into availability of CDBG funds will be conducted.

Deputy Mayor Christiansen advised that she has communicated with Chief Patrick Tortoso and the Farmers' Markets will be on the Green with the non-for-profit booths during the Columbus Day Fair.

Superintendent Fellman suggested that the Board consider legislation requiring permits for home rentals of one and two family houses.

Trustee Barrett requested that Administrator Harty and Superintendent Fisch contact PSEG regarding the excessive wires and transformers on poles in front of Sakura Restaurant.

A final review of the recent Music Festival will be held at the Board's Work Session meeting on October 20<sup>th</sup>. Jim Faith will be invited to attend.

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At 10:00 PM, Trustee Barrett moved to go into Executive Session to discuss Bartone contractual issues and other land use matters. Trustee Parisi seconded. Motion carried, all voting aye.

The Board returned to Work Session at 10:40 PM upon motion made by Trustee Parisi and seconded by Deputy Mayor Christiansen. Motion carried, all voting aye.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 PM upon motion made by Trustee Parisi, seconded by Deputy Mayor Christiansen. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Deputy Mayor Christiansen