

## **REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**Monday, December 2, 2024**

**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, December 2, 2024.

**Present:** Mayor Ralph Ekstrand  
Deputy Mayor William Barrett  
Trustee Cheryl Parisi  
Trustee Walter Priestley  
Trustee Craig Rosasco  
Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer Brian Harty  
Deputy Clerk Daniel Ruckdeschel  
Village Attorney Claudio DeBellis  
Superintendent of Buildings Stephen Fellman

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, January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 8:00 p.m. Regular Work Sessions will be held on Monday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024 and Monday, January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.
- The following resolutions were approved at the November 18<sup>th</sup> Work Session:
  - Approved a contract with Castro Family Landscaping for snow clearing during the 2024-2025 winter season.
  - Approved Phase One of the Linwood Ave. Drainage Improvements at a cost of approximately \$250,000.
  - Approved a request from the Farmingdale Hawks for use of the Courtroom from 8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. on the following dates: 1/16/25, 2/20/25, 3/20/25, 4/17/25, 5/15/25, 6/19/25, 7/17/25, 8/21/25, 9/18/25, 10/16/25, 11/20/25, 12/18/25.

**REGULAR MEETING BUSINESS ITEMS** – Upon a motion made by Trustee Priestley and seconded by Deputy Mayor Barrett, the following items were, **RESOLVED (#2025-12-01)**,

- Abstract of Audited Vouchers #1192 dated December 2, 2024.
- Minutes of Board Meetings of 11/4/24, 11/18/24 as amended
- Use of Village Property:

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- Group Guadalupano of St. Kilian's Church is having a parade/procession on December 7, 2024 beginning at approximately 7:45 p.m., after Mass has ended. It will begin at the front of the church on Conklin St., where the procession will head east to Secatogue Ave., then a right turn on Van Cott Ave., a right turn on Grant Ave., and a right turn on Cherry St., ending at St. Kilian School.
- Farmingdale BID & Jose Tutiven are requesting to hold an Art Crawl on Sunday, December 8, 2024 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Main Street, south of Conklin Street. No parking will be permitted during those hours on Main Street.
- Tree lightings on the Village Green on December 3, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. and at Gergras Park on December 6, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. The Ball Drop will take place on New Year's Eve on the Village Green from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- Block Party Applications:
  - None
- Outdoor Dining:
  - None
- Tax certiorari's:
  - None

**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 |
|------------|--|---|-----|-----|
| 10/28/2024 | 174 MELVILLE RD<br>DEBORAH FEEHAN<br>PP24-00043    | GAS FIREPLACE   | N/A | R   |
| 11/1/2024  | 193 MAIN ST<br>ALDRICH MGMT<br>DB24-00073          | INTERIOR ALTERATIONS TO EXISTING RESTAURANT AS PER DRAWINGS SUBMITTED BY IMPACT ARCHITECTURE DATED 11/17/24 | N/A | C   |
| 11/8/2024  | 77 NELSON ST<br>KIM KELLER<br>DB24-00074           | INSTALL 13 ROOF MOUNTED SOLAR PANELS.   | N/A | R   |
| 11/8/2024  | 165 SECATOGUE AVE<br>ARTURO DIAZ<br>DB24-00075     | INSTALL 17 ROOF MOUNTED SOLAR PANELS AS PER DRAWINGS BY MOMENTUM SOLAR DATED 10/30/24.                      | N/A | R   |
| 11/8/2024  | 153 FULTON ST<br>LAWRENCE O'BRIEN PC<br>DB24-00076 | CONSTRUCT NEW 7-11 CONVENIENCE STORE AS PER DRAWINGS BY G K & A ARCHITECTS DATED 10/24/24.                  | X   | C   |
| 11/15/2024 | 85 CONKLIN ST<br>WALTER PRIESTLEY<br>DB24-00077    | INSTALL EXTERIOR HANDICAP RAMP AS PER DRAWINGS SUBMITTED BY RAYMOND DONER ARCHITECT DATED                   | N/A | R   |

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|            |  | 10/28/24.   |     |   |
| 11/15/2024 | 56 HILLSIDE AVE<br>LISA LOFARO<br>PP24-00044             | DIRECT REPLACEMENT OF BOILER AND BOOSTER TANK   | N/A | R |
| 11/19/2024 | 50 MAIN ST.<br>CHRISTINE & BRIAN<br>GAYRON<br>PP24-00045 | NEW BOILER, DRYER, WATER CLOSET, LAUNDRY TUB, SHOWER AND TWO LAVATORIES                 | N/A | R |
| 11/19/2024 | 40 NELSON ST<br>NICOLE MASTRANDREA<br>DB24-00078         | INSTALL 17 ROOF MOUNTED SOLAR PANELS AS PER DRAWINGS SUBMITTED BY SUNRUN DATED 10/30/24 | N/A | R |
| 11/22/2024 | 261 MAIN ST<br>PAMBORIS ASSOC<br>SP24-00008              | ARB APPROVED 9/24/24  | X   | C |
| 11/22/2024 | 313 MAIN ST<br>PANACHE ENTERPRISES<br>SP24-00009         | ARB APPROVED 9/24/24  | X   | C |
| 11/25/2024 | 217 STAPLES ST<br>SAL BADALAMENTI<br>PP24-00046          | DIRECT REPLACEMENT OF GAS WATER HEATER  | N/A | R |

**PUBLIC HEARING DATES** – None scheduled for January 6, 2025.

**PUBLIC HEARING FOR A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR 217 MAIN STREET** – Upon a motion made by Trustee Priestley and seconded by Trustee Rosasco, it was,

**RESOLVED (#2025-12-02)**, to open the hearing.

No new parking requirements are needed as seating is at 41 and occupancy remained the same as the prior tenant.

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

**RESOLVED (#2025-12-03)**, to close the hearing.

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

**RESOLVED (#2025-12-04)**, to approve the Special Use Permit for 217 Main Street – L.I. McGraths with 41 seats.

**PUBLIC HEARING TO AMEND THE VILLAGE CODE** – Upon a motion made by Trustee Parisi and seconded by Trustee Priestley, it was,

**RESOLVED (#2025-12-05)**, to open the hearing.

There being no public comment, upon a motion made by Trustee Priestley and seconded by Deputy Mayor Barrett, it was,

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**RESOLVED (#2025-12-06)**, to close the hearing.

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

**RESOLVED (#2025-12-07)**, to adopt the new code changes, which include amended requirements and fees for Special Use Permits.

**NEW HIRE – FIRE DEPARTMENT** – Upon a motion made by Trustee Rosasco and seconded by Trustee Parisi, it was,

**RESOLVED (#2025-12-08)**, to approve the purchase of one RT120 Sunmax Self Propelled Commercial Floor Scrubber Machine in the amount of \$4,199.00 and a three year protection plan for \$189.99 for a total of \$4,388.89.

**WATER SUPPLY FROM SO FARMINGDALE WD** – Upon a motion made by Trustee Priestley and seconded by Deputy Mayor Barrett, it was,

**RESOLVED (#2025-12-09)**, to approve metered water supply from South Farmingdale Water District at a cost not to exceed \$4.50/1000 gallons.

**LINE STOP & VALVE INSTALLATIONS** – Upon a motion made by Trustee Parisi and seconded by Trustee Priestley, it was,

**RESOLVED (#2025-12-10)**, to approve installation of line stops of 16” and 8” and a 16” butterfly valve and an 8” gate valve by Merrick Utilities under our requirements contract at a combined cost of \$115,936.00.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT PURCHASING & GRANT PROCEDURES** – Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor Barrett and seconded by Trustee Parisi, it was,

**RESOLVED (#2025-12-11)**, to approve Farmingdale Village Fire Department purchasing and grant procedures.

**WOOD GUARD RAILS** – Upon a motion made by Trustee Priestley and seconded by Trustee Rosasco, it was,

**RESOLVED (#2025-12-12)**, to purchase wood guard rails, posts and lag bolts to be placed at the corner of Thomas Powell Blvd. and Bethpage Road from Schiano Bros. Inc. in the amount of \$3,655.51. Installation will be done by the DPW crew.

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**BEAUTIFICATION –**

- Trustee Parisi thanked the Village DPW for installing all decorations this year as weather conditions prevented volunteer participation.

**OLD BUSINESS –**

- None

**CORRESPONDENCE –**

- Senior Citizens of Farmingdale

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

- Linwood area Phase 1 and upcoming Phase 2 were discussed.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**, upon a motion made by Trustee Parisi and seconded by Deputy Mayor Barrett, it was,

**RESOLVED (#2025-12-13)**, to move to Executive Session.

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

**RESOLVED (#2025-12-14)**, to reconvene the meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Brian P. Harty  
Village Clerk/Treasurer