

**WORK SESSION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**Monday, January 3, 2022**  
**INC. VILLAGE OF FARMINGDALE**

The Work Session of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Farmingdale was held on Monday, January 3, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

- Present:** Mayor Ralph Ekstrand  
Deputy Mayor William Barrett  
Trustee Cheryl Parisi  
Trustee Walter Priestley  
Trustee Anthony Addeo  
Administrator Brian Harty  
Building Superintendent Stephen Fellman  
Public Works Superintendent Andrew Fisch
- Absent:** Village Attorney Claudio DeBellis

Mayor Ekstrand opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

The following topics were discussed:

- Regularly scheduled business items:
  - Revisions to minutes
- Tonight's public hearings/Hearings to be scheduled:
  - TBD
- ASCAP licensing fees: to be paid by the Village, resolution to be made at the regular meeting.
- Fire Department:
  - Check with Chief regarding Cancer Coverage listing of eligible personnel.
  - Discussion about mutual aid.
  - Insurance coverage and actual agreements.
- Building Department:
  - 20 Merritts Road – Report received from Savik and Murray regarding the Toretta Road dedication:
    - 4 issues need to be remedied before acceptance
    - Mr. Vilardi has been notified
    - Road acceptance should be delayed until all homes are built
    - Needs estate fencing

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- 60 Maple St. SE – shed to be moved to three feet from the property line, homeowner will have shed removed.
- 356 Fulton Street/Heisser Lane – submitted building permit, denial letter issued enabling application for special use permit request to be filed to operate repair shop and provide adequate parking. Ongoing property maintenance summons issued.
- The Carlyle (formerly Robbie Lee) will restart construction within a month.
- Assisted living on Route 109 negotiating for final tenant.
- 7-11 and Sunoco are waiting for Southland approval
- Burgerology filed seating for 80, will require 3 parking spaces purchase if the Board waives 90%.
- 109 Towing has responded with an application. They received the denial letter and will submit an application to the Board for a special use permit for a wall exceeding 6 feet. This is scheduled for the January 3, 2022 meeting.
- Peter Florey/D&F Development have received approval from New York State and have submitted plans and an application for a building permit.
- New DPW garage – expect building revisions and pricing information by mid-January.
- 505 Conklin St. (formerly taco store) will be coming in for a Special Use Permit as they have more than 12 seats.
- Ladies boutique possible for 223 Main Street.
- Need to change fine schedule – Superintendent Fellman to review.
- Penalty fees need to be reviewed and increased at the suggestion of the building superintendent.
- Highway Department:
  - Leaf program in progress, nearing end
  - Parking lot maintenance and routine maintenance of Main Street
  - Magniflood lighting testing continues in the DPW garage
  - Routine garbage pickup in parks and dog stations
  - Ongoing storm planning and debris removal

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- Savik and Murray working on 5 Corners Park, contract signed December 3 and construction is underway.
- Street light needs to be replaced at Whiskey Down Diner (Magniflood pole delivery Mid-January).
- Capital truck repair of item discovered during inspection prep for snow season has been sent to Syosset Truck.
- DPW Garage – awaiting pricing
- Received \$230,000 from National Grid for street paving where National Grid installed new gas mains.
- Richard St. and Rose St. – street lighting and landscaping being installed to be paid for using CDBG funds (poles from Magniflood in Mid-January).
- Tree in front of Jaylors not lighting, need electrician. Gina Electric was notified.
- Gina Electric is giving estimate on Farmingdale Fire Department improvements.
- Cold patching on Tulane Street and Thomas Powell Blvd.
- Shop maintenance – general cleanup.
- Five trees identified that DPW will remove.
- 5 Corners Park gazebo due for delivery on Wednesday
- Water Department:
  - Water tower construction continues
  - Wireless services move from existing tank to temporary pole has been resolved, discussion about new tank including NCPD microwave continues.
  - Water testing with PW Grosser continues and WIIA Grant was submitted with follow-up.
  - D&B forwarded a rendering of the new water tank for publication in the newsletter.
  - Leaking blow off pipe repaired at Well 2-2 by Merrick Utilities on December 27 due to proximity to electric, drainage and telemetry.
  - \$500,000 grant received from New York State through the efforts of Senator Kevin Thomas.
- Code Department

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- New hire – Nick Frigerio at \$18.00 per hour
- Other:
  - Guidance on COVID restrictions for use of Village Hall facilities during latest COVID outbreak.
  - Adding resolution to eliminate Village Registration Day for the Village election.
  - Adding a work session on January 31, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.
  - The Village election will be held at Village Hall.

There being no further work session business, the Board adjourned to the regular meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Harty – Village Administrator