

WORK SESSION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Tuesday, January 21, 2020
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 Tuesday, January 21, 2020 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
Village Attorney Claudio DeBellis
Building Superintendent Stephen Fellman
DPW Superintendent Andrew Fisch

Absent: Deputy Clerk Barbara Kelly

Mayor Ekstrand opened the meeting at 7:08 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance.

PROCLAMATION – The presentation of a proclamation honoring the 70th wedding anniversary of Salvatore and Loretta Citrano will be rescheduled.

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

RESOLVED, to move to Executive Session to discuss legal issues.

Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor Barrett and seconded by Trustee Addeo, it was unanimously,

RESOLVED, to reconvene the meeting.

The following topics were discussed:

- Changes to the Workforce Housing Code
 - Superintendent Fellman gave a presentation based on a 200 x 200 (40,000 sq. ft.) lot showing how a potential buildout meets the code.
 - A comment was made about making the minimum size apartment 750 sq. ft. instead of 550 sq. ft. which is currently allowed with incentives.

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- A suggestion was made to change the parking requirement for a one bedroom apartment at 2 spaces instead of the current 1.5 spaces.
- Concerns were raised about parking on Route 109 and in neighborhoods nearby if parking on site was inadequate.
- A suggestion was made to analyze Rainbow Apartments, Suburbia and the Angle apartments and determine parking per unit in those properties as they do not appear to have tenants parking on Route 109 or in surrounding neighborhoods.
- A question was raised about payment to the Village as incentive. A project in Copaigue was cited as a reference.

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

RESOLVED (#2020-01-14), to reinstate the building permit and special use permit for C&R Automotive, Inc. for a period of 60 days and in three month increments moving forward, at the judgement of the Superintendent of Buildings, as long as construction continues to completion. The reconstruction of the property is based on the building permit number DB18-0002 for a combined special use permit and building fee of \$2,500.

USE OF FACILITIES - Upon a motion made by Trustee Priestley and seconded by Trustee Parisi, it was unanimously,

RESOLVED (#2020-01-15), to approve the use of the Courtroom by the Cultural Arts Committee for a Youth Open Mic Night on Friday, February 7, 2020 at 7:30 p.m.

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

RESOLVED (#2020-01-16), to allow a Blood Mobile behind Runner's Edge in Parking Lot #1 for a blood drive on Saturday, January 25, 2020 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

CHIEF'S VEHICLE - Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor Barrett and seconded by Trustee Addeo, it was unanimously,

RESOLVED (#2020-01-17), to approve Firematic Supply Co., Inc. as the lowest responsible bidder to outfit a new Farmingdale Fire Department Chief's Vehicle in the amount of \$20,292.00.

The discussion continued on the following topics:

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- Fire Department
- Building Department:
 - Sam Glass is completing the Hardy Plank Siding on his building at 155 Main Street
 - 20 Merritts Road
 - Drainage under control with the base road in 2/3 of the site drains as designed not leeching over to other areas. All drains are open in the southern area and are checked daily by the Building Department.
 - Obstructions were removed from the southern drain trough to allow flow to drains.
 - Certain trees were removed on the north side; neighbors were informed.
 - Chichimeca (169 Main Street) is under reconstruction with new ownership.
 - The consensus of the Board is that a “Psychic” who may want to operate in the Village of Farmingdale will be treated as retail/entertainment and will not require a special use permit from the Board.
- Highway Department:
 - The department is ready for snow, with all equipment working and salt & sand in the barn.
 - Drainage was added in Parking Lot 4 to eliminate flooding conditions
 - Leaves are being removed from all parks
 - Leaves need to be removed in front of the Jefferson Road sump
 - A pothole on Merritts Road needs to be reported to Nassau County
- Water Department: Water tower specifications are in the final review stage
- Code Department: A meeting with the new commanding officer of the NCPD 8th precinct is scheduled for January 29.
- Other:
 - Consensus of the Board to allow Citizens Campaign for the Environment to go door to door in the Village per a letter of request dated January 15, 2020.
 - A tree with a large branch at the corner of Main Street and Powell Place was discussed and no action is to be taken.

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There being no further work session business, the Board adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Harty – Village Administrator