

**WORK SESSION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**Monday, April 19, 2021**  
**INC. VILLAGE OF FARMINGDALE**

The Work Session of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Farmingdale was held remotely at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 19, 2021.

**Present:** Mayor Ralph Ekstrand  
Deputy Mayor William Barrett  
Trustee Cheryl Parisi  
Trustee Walter Priestley  
Trustee Anthony Addeo  
Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer Brian Harty  
Attorney Claudio DeBellis  
Superintendent of Buildings Steve Fellman

Mayor Ekstrand opened the meeting at 7:00 PM with the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence.

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

**RESOLVED (#2021-04-22)**, to hire Anne Signa as a Part-Time Parking Meter Attendant, at a salary of \$20 per hour.

**USE OF FACILITIES** – Upon a motion made by Trustee Parisi and seconded by Trustee Addeo, it was,

**RESOLVED (#2021-04-23)**, to approve a Use of Facilities request from Elieza Rodriguez and Robert Tartaro to use the Gazebo for a wedding on Saturday, August 7, 2021 from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Approximately 50 people will be attending.

The following topics were discussed:

- Fire Department:
  - Congratulations to the new Chiefs and congratulations and thanks to outgoing Chief Mike DiBartolo.
  - Mayor Ekstrand, Deputy Mayor Barrett and Trustee Parisi attended the Fire Department Installation.
- Building Department:
  - Upcoming Public Hearings:
    - MS4 Stormwater Report – As submitted.

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- Kickin Chickin (formerly Ubaldo's) needs a Special Use Permit – proposed 40 seat restaurant.
- 368 Melville Road – Proposed subdivision, 2 proposed lots, Residence B zoning. The plans meet FAR square footage and are similar to homes in the neighborhood. The Board liked the design of the proposed home and it is under the code height requirement. Plans do not meet the parking requirement (1 or 2 spaces short depending on bedroom/bathroom configuration), max 35% front yard for parking. No outside entrance to basements are permitted & basement ceiling height max to 6'11". Hardie plank and Architectural Roof Shingles mentioned as desired building materials for proposed homes.
- 453 Main Street – Special Use Permit is required for 2<sup>nd</sup> floor apartment.
- Robbie Lee – the Route 109 project is delayed due to medical issues.
- The auto body building at the corner of Route 109 – they need to renew permits.
- Highway Department:
  - Harrison Street sump – cleaned up, new fencing and added a dog waste station. Additional plans for improvements based on stimulus funding.
- Water Department:
  - Tank contract signed with Merrick Utilities. Electrical work is underway by Bancker Electric.
- Code Department:
  - Two new hires to start in May pending approval from Nassau County Department of Civil Service.
- Marijuana Law: Preliminary Discussion, Options/Procedures:
  - Opt out by 12/31/21 of local retail stores.
  - Need local law subject to permissive referendum, and a separate local law to conform with vaping and tobacco product use (Clean Air Act & Public Health) to prevent use in designated areas.
  - The potential for revenue is minimal, potentially 1.5% of sales of a local store if the Village and Town of Oyster Bay opt in.

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- Other comments:
  - 254 Prospect Street has removed all trees.
  - The daughter of longtime Village resident and sculptor Sven Brost, who recently passed away, contacted Trustee Parisi about donating some of Mr. Brost's sculptures to the Village. Trustee Parisi will follow up and report back to the Board.
  - Trustee Parisi will follow up with Deputy County Executive Brian Schneider about the Five Corners Park grant.

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

**RESOLVED (#2021-04-24)**, to move to Executive Session.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously,

**RESOLVED (#2021-04-25)**, to reconvene the meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Brian P. Harty, Village Clerk-Treasurer