

WORK SESSION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Monday, June 29, 2020
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, June 29, 2020.

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

Mayor Ekstrand opened the meeting at 7:00 PM with the pledge of allegiance.

LOSAP – Upon a motion made by Trustee Priestley and seconded by Trustee Addeo, it was unanimously,

RESOLVED (#2021-06-19), to table the resolution to approve a revision of the number of LOSAP points awarded during the COVID-19 pandemic per the Governor’s Executive Order 202 of 2020, until August 3, 2020 at 8:00 p.m.

2020-2021 VILLAGE HOLIDAY SCHEDULE – Upon a motion made by Trustee Parisi and seconded by Trustee Priestley, it was unanimously,

RESOLVED (#2021-06-20), to approve 2020-2021 Village Holiday schedule, with the revision of no time off for Election Day.

The following topic was discussed:

- Request by Annemarie Gallipoli for the use of the Village Green for a yoga class to be held either on an evening from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. or 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. or Saturday morning 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Mayor Ekstrand stated that the Village Green was never allowed to be used for profit making. If done for free, then it would be a nice service for the residents. The request was tabled for more information – how many nights, when does it start, insurance.

JULY WORK SESSION DATES – Upon a motion made by Trustee Parisi and seconded by Deputy Mayor Barrett, it was unanimously,

RESOLVED (#2021-06-21), to hold work sessions via Zoom on Monday, July 13, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. and Monday, July 27, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

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RIDGE ROAD CLOSURE – Upon a motion made by Trustee Priestley and seconded by Trustee Parisi, it was,

RESOLVED (#2021-06-22), to a request by Regina Ochwat of 49 Ridge Road for closure of a portion of Ridge Road between Paine and Linwood Avenues in front of 45 and 49 Ridge Road, including constructing a tent in the event of inclement weather, for the purpose of holding a wedding party, immediate family and a neighbor on July 31, 2020 following a wedding ceremony at St. Kilian Church. The party must end by 11:00 p.m. (like a block party) and they must follow the rules of social distancing with no more than 25 people in attendance.

The following topics were discussed:

- Correspondence from the New York State Department of Transportation regarding a traffic light at the intersection of Route 109 and Bernard Street. The DOT stated that a traffic light was not necessary but they made modifications to the turning.
- Fire Department:
 - Fire on Maple Street
- Building Department:
 - 20 Merritts Road – Superintendent Fellman will meet with the property owners and their engineer to get a Topographic Survey of the north property line showing the location of the retaining wall and topography. Trustee Addeo wants the survey by August 1st or a stop work order should be issued. H2M is looking for survey to assess the further needs of the property and looking for the new plans for the wall by Sept. 1.

BUILDING PERMITS/PLANNING & ZONING APPROVALS – Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor Barrett and seconded by Trustee Parisi, it was unanimously,

RESOLVED (#2021-06-23), to table the resolution for the extension of Building Permits and Planning and Zoning Approvals – S.8236-A (Gaughran)/A.10409-A (McDonald) – Authorizes local governments, during the COVID-19 state of emergency, to issue a single resolution extending the expiration date for all active building permits as well as planning and zoning approvals for a period of up to 120 days beyond the expiration date stated in the permit or approval. The Board discussed the extension of all building permits for 90 days due to the pandemic. This will be tabled until August 3, 2020 at 8:00 p.m.

The discussion continued on the following topic:

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- Building Department:
 - 37 Potter St. – H2M engineer is working well and the project is almost ready to rebuild.

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

RESOLVED (#2021-06-24), to declare the following equipment: 2 Meyer and 2 Flink Snow Plows as beyond their useful life and to be sold as scrap material. (Useable parts have been removed from this equipment and those parts have been used or are in current inventory.) No new plows are necessary to be purchased.

The discussion continued on the following topics:

- Highway Department:
 - Nassau County will be paving Main Street from Grant Street south to the Suffolk County border.
 - Discussion of removal of telephone/lighting poles from Main Street.
- Water Department:
 - Working on moving the wireless antennae from the old tower to a temporary tower and ultimately the new water tower. Awaiting escrow funds from the companies.
- Code Department:
 - Two people working on Saturday nights, they didn't see any substantial problems. State Liquor Authority was in the Village recently and no summonses were issued.
- Whiskey Down – the agreement is signed. Trustee Parisi asked that they clean up the small litter in the area of the tables.
- Beautification – Landscaping in Village Green is being replanted and/or relocated. Trustee Priestley asked that the 5 Corners flag be replaced (corner of Melville Road, Main Street, Fairview Road).

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

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RESOLVED (#2021-06-25), to move to Executive Session.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian P. Harty, Village Clerk-Treasurer