## WORK SESSION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES Monday, September 19, 2016

## 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 Monday, September 19, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

**Present:** Mayor Ralph Ekstrand

Deputy Mayor Patricia Christiansen

Trustee William Barrett Trustee Cheryl Parisi Trustee Walter Priestley Attorney Claudio DeBellis Administrator Brian Harty

Building Superintendent Stephen Fellman DPW Superintendent Andrew Fisch

**Absent:** Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Barbara Kelly

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

The following topics were discussed:

- Scott Stone, the village's counsel on Tax Cert matters, discussed the desire of
  the court to accelerate tax certs on a countywide basis and either negotiate a
  settlement to those cases or proceed with tax cert cases in court. Mr. Stone
  discussed potential budget implications with the Board.
- Resident request to make Laurel Street out-bound only was discussed by the Board and the consensus was to maintain the current configuration.
   Administrator Harty will contact the resident.
- The Use of Facilities request by the Girl Scouts for October 22, 2016 was agreed to and needs to be voted on at the October 17<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- FVMA The Board discussed the San Gennaro street fair and said that the fair needs to add a number of vendors, games and attractions next year. The Board discussed the proposed Halloween Parade and Street Fair on Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016 and decided that Main Street would be closed for the parade only and encouraged the FVMA to make this event exclusively family oriented and utilize the Village Green and their respective businesses with activities and offerings for children and their families following the parade. The Board indicated a 1:00 PM start for the parade at Northside Elementary School.
- Fire Department Stoop reconstruction was discussed: The low bidder for the new stoops for the fire house and the courtroom has withdrawn their bid. The

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Board then authorized Roadwork Ahead, the second lowest bidder, to proceed with the stoop installation.

**NEW STOOPS FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT AND COURTROOM -** Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor Christiansen and seconded by Trustee Barrett, it was unanimously,

**RESOLVED** (#2017-09-17), to approve Roadwork Ahead as the lowest responsible bidder to replace existing stoops at the Main Street entrance to the Fire Department and the rear entrance to Village Hall in the amount of \$9,800.

The discussion continued on the following topics:

- Fire Department The rehabilitation of the Fire Department portion of the Village Hall basement was discussed. An inspection by Deputy Mayor Christiansen and Trustee Parisi was scheduled for the next morning.
- Building Department:
  - o Collecting renewal fees from certain property owners under construction, Building Superintendent Fellman will follow up.
  - Code change in building permits to one year and codifying fee structure.
  - Code revision to prevent line of sight obstructions in residential front yards including fencing and landscaping for safety reasons.
  - o Various zombie housing and property maintenance and related issues.
- Water Department Water department upgrades and operational issues.
- Highway Department:
  - Road rehabilitation and drainage issues on Thomas Powell Blvd. & Arthur St.
  - o Parking lot 3 & 7 rehabilitation, North Main St. parking lot.
- Code Department Discussed FVMA related issues and parking concerns in the triangle.

There being no further work session business, the Board adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Harty – Village Administrator