

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Monday, November 4, 2024
INC. VILLAGE OF FARMINGDALE

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Farmingdale was held at 8:00 p.m. on Monday, November 4, 2024.

Present: Mayor Ralph Ekstrand
Deputy Mayor William Barrett
Trustee Cheryl Parisi
Trustee Walter Priestley
Trustee Craig Rosasco
Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer Brian Harty
Village Attorney Claudio DeBellis
Superintendent of Buildings Stephen Fellman

Absent: Deputy Clerk Daniel Ruckdeschel

Mayor Ekstrand opened the meeting at 8:00 PM with the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence.

Presentations of portraits of former Mayor Butch Starkie and former Deputy Mayor Pat Christiansen to be added to the “Wall of Honor” on the Courtroom wall:

- The proclamations were read by Mayor Ekstrand and presented to former Mayor Starkie and former Deputy Mayor Christiansen’s family.
- Portraits were placed on the “Wall of Honor”. Former Mayor Starkie & former Deputy Mayor Christiansen’s family expressed appreciation for the honor. Photos were taken with the Board of Trustees to commemorate the ceremony with kind words and good wishes to all.

Presentations of a proclamation to Philip LoNigro in recognition of receiving the 2024 Youth Mentor of the Year award by the Firefighters Association of the State of New York:

- Mayor Ekstrand presented the proclamation with thanks and congratulations to Mr. LoNigro. The Mayor and the Board of Trustees then took photos with Mr. LoNigro and praised him for the state-wide honor that he received.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Mayor Ekstrand made the following announcements:

- The next Board meeting with public comment period will be held on Monday, December 2nd, 2024 at 8:00 p.m. Regular Work Sessions will be held on Monday, November 18th, 2024 and Monday, December 2nd, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.
- The Farmer’s Market is being held every Sunday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on the Village Green until November 24, 2024.

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- The following resolutions were approved at the October 28th Work Session:
 - Hired Kenneth Amato as a laborer at a rate of \$35 per hour.
 - Approved the purchase of 4 3.5-4.0 inch caliper Red Maple trees from Half Hollow Nursery at a cost of \$1,580.00.
 - Approved the use of the Village Green by the Alzheimer’s Association for Tuesday, November 19, 2024 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. for a Luminaire Ceremony.
 - Approved the supply and installation of 3 dual port and 1 single port EV charging stations in Parking Lot 3 by INF Associates at a cost of \$52,571.50. \$50,000 will be paid through a NYSERDA grant.

REGULAR MEETING BUSINESS ITEMS – Upon a motion made by Trustee Priestley and seconded by Deputy Mayor Barrett, the following items were, **RESOLVED (#2025-11-05)**,

- Abstract of Audited Vouchers #1191 dated November 4, 2024.
- Minutes of Board Meetings of 10/7/24, 10/28/24 as amended
- Use of Village Property:
 - None
- Block Party Applications:
 - None
- Outdoor Dining:
 - None
- Tax certiorari’s:
 - None

BUILDING PERMITS – The Board of Trustees accepted the listing of the following building permits issued since last month’s meeting:

DATE	LOCATION	CONSTRUCTION/COMMENTS	ARB	C/R
10/8/2024	28 YOAKUM ST LAWRENCE FARINA PP24-00039	REPLACE EXISTING 275 GAL OIL TANK IN BASEMENT WITH NEW 275 GAL OIL TANK	N/A	R
10/9/2024	5 HILL RD ROSEMARIE BURNS FP24-00019	6’ PVC FENCE	N/A	R
10/11/2024	345 STAPLES LOT A VICTORY DREAM BUILDERS PP24-00042	WATER SUPPLY INSTALLATION 1” METER	N/A	R
10/11/2024	345 STAPLES LOT B	WATER SUPPLY INSTALLATION 1’	N/A	R

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	VICTORY DREAM BUILDERS PP24-00041	METER		
10/16/2024	343 STAPLES ST VICTORY DREAM BUILDERS RO24-00011	ONE 4 X 4 BELLHOLE TO INSTALL GAS SERVICE	N/A	R
10/16/2024	345 STAPLES ST VICTORY DREAM BUILDERS RO24-00012	ONE 4 X 4 BELLHOLE TO INSTALL GAS SERVICE	N/A	R
10/17/2024	34 STAPLES ST BRIAN CHESPIRE DB24-00069	INSTALL 21 ROOD MOUNTED SOLAR PANELS AS PER DRAWINGS BY NY STATE SOLAR	N/A	R
10/17/2024	37 VAN COTT AVE ROBERT ROEDIG DB24-00070	REPLACE GRAVEL DRIVEWAY WITH ASPHALT	N/A	R
10/18/2024	64 RIDGE RD JOHN & SUSAN PERNA FP24-00020	MAINTAIN OLD FENCE PERMIT #05-04	N/A	R
10/18/2024	104 JEFFERSON RD. MACKENZIE JANSKY DB24-00071	INSTALL 8 ROOF MOUNTED SOLAR PANELS AS PER DRAWINGS SUBMITTED BY SUNRUN DATED 9/27/24.	N/A	R
10/21/2024	215 PROSPECT ST 215 PROSPECT ST LLC DB24-00072	CONSTRUCT NEW TWO FAMILY DWELLING AS PER DRAWINGS SUBMITTED BY CHRISTOPHER GARTEN ARCHITECT DATED 9/27/24.	X	R

PUBLIC HEARING DATES – Upon a motion made by Trustee Parisi and seconded by Trustee Priestley, it was,

RESOLVED (#2025-11-06), to set the following public hearing for Monday, December 2, 2024 at 8:00 p.m.:

- Special Use Permit for 217 Main Street
- Amend Village Code – Special Use Permit changes

PUBLIC HEARING FOR SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR VERIZON CELL INSTALLATIONS – Upon a motion made by Trustee Parisi and seconded by Deputy Mayor Barrett, it was,

RESOLVED (#2025-11-07), to adjourn the hearing for a Special Use Permit for the installation of Verizon cell services at Palmers Shopping Center until Monday, January 6, 2025 at 8:00 p.m. at the request of the applicant.

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BEAUTIFICATION –

- Trustee Parisi reported that 4 Red Maple trees will replace walnut trees at 5 Corners Park after the walnut trees are removed.
- Holiday lighting will change to snowflakes soon.
- Wreaths will be placed in the parking lots with lighting. Resident & Planning Board Chair Joe Staudt will be decorating all 43 wreaths. Special thanks to Joe.

OLD BUSINESS –

- None

CORRESPONDENCE –

- None

PUBLIC COMMENT – A discussion began on the following topics:

- A Linwood Ave. area resident asked about the status of the Linwood project. Mayor Ekstrand said it will begin after all necessary plans are received from our engineering consultants.
- Another Linwood area resident asked about the pump and easement agreements to place hose. It was indicated that the request had been revised and sent to the homeowners.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Brian P. Harty
Village Clerk/Treasurer