The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Farmingdale was held at 8:00 p.m. on Monday, December 4, 2023.

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

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Mayor Ekstrand made the following announcements:

- The next Board meeting with public comment period will be held on Tuesday, January 2nd, 2024 at 8:00 p.m. Regular Work Sessions will be held on Monday, December 18th, 2023 and Tuesday, January 2nd, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.
- The following resolutions were approved at the November 20th Work Session (4/0 vote):
 - Approved the hiring of Doug Ketchum as a Part Time Automotive Mechanic in the Highway Department at a rate of \$25 per hour.
 - Approved the hiring of Brian Bretana as a Part Time Laborer in the Water Department at a rate of \$20 per hour.
 - Approved the hiring of Robert Perdue as a Full Time Laborer in the Highway Department at a salary of \$40,000 per year.
 - Approved the request by the Farmingdale Chamber of Commerce for the use of the Main Street sidewalks for an Art Crawl on Sunday, December 10, 2023 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. They are expecting between 100-200 people to attend and are also requesting no parking between 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.
 - Approved the hiring of Kevin Weeks as a Part Time Firehouse Maintainer at a rate of \$20 per hour.

REGULAR MEETING BUSINESS ITEMS – Upon a motion made by Trustee Parisi and seconded by Trustee Priestley, the following items were, **RESOLVED** (#2024-12-01),

- Abstract of Audited Vouchers #1180 dated December 4, 2023.
- Minutes of Board Meetings of 11/6/23, 11/20/23, 11/27/23 as amended
- Use of Village Property:
 - Farmingdale Baseball League is requesting to hold their Annual Opening Day Parade on Sunday, April 21st, 2024. The parade will assemble at the Howitt baseball fields at 1:30 p.m. and kick off at 2:00 p.m. The parade will make a left from Howitt to Conklin Street and make a left on Main Street and proceed south to a right on Motor Avenue to Allen Park.
- Block Party Applications:
 - o None
- Tax certiorari's:
 - o 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
11/3/2023	95 Fulton St. Mark Barakzai DB23-00107	Repair parapet wall	N/A	C
11/3/2023	89 Nelson St. Jennifer Pankowski SW23-00011	Replace sidewalk	N/A	R
11/3/2023	91 Nelson St. Maria Schelhorn SW23-00012	Replace sidewalk	N/A	R
11/3/2023	114 Nelson St. Andrew DeRuvo SW23-00013	Replace sidewalk	N/A	R
11/3/2023	77 Nelson St. Adam Tabrys SW23-00014	Replace sidewalk	N/A	R
11/3/2023	331-337 Main St. SPA 79 ELP DB23-00108	Remove and replace HVAC units	N/A	R
11/6/2023	126 Grant Ave J & P Reynolds DB23-00109	Install replacement windows	N/A	R
11/6/2023	51 Prospect St. Edward Kenyon DB23-00110	Renovate kitchen and dumpster in driveway	N/A	R
11/7/2023	1 Ketcham Lane National Grid RO23-00014	One 4 x 4 bellhole to install gas service.	N/A	С
11/7/2023	53 Bernard St.	Oil to gas conversion	N/A	R

	Joseph Sila PP23-00039			
11/7/2023	90 Maple St. Jodi Mondiello FP23-00012	6' white vinyl fence	N/A	R
11/7/2023	190 Main St. Chris Werle DB23-00111	Dumpster in loading zone in back of building 10/30-11/13/2023.	N/A	С
11/8/2023	95 Fulton St. S & R Realty LLC DB23-00113	Exterior painting	N/A	С
11/8/2023	57 Maple St Elizabeth Kinast DB23-00114	Dumpster – not to be put in street	N/A	R
11/8/2023	346 Main St. CLC Development Corp. DB23-00115	Change front windows to roll up garage door style window.	N/A	C
11/8/2023	180 Cherry St. Steve Distante DB23-00116	Install 26 kw generator as per drawings submitted by Generac Power Systems	N/A	R
11/8/2023	392 Conklin St. Farmingdale Century LLC DB23-00117	Replace existing roofing	N/A	С
11/8/2023	8 Vernon St. Miliner & Shipra Patel DB23-00118	Install 27 roof mounted solar panels as per drawings submitted by Empower Solar dated 10/13/2023.	N/A	R
11/8/2023	20 Jefferson Rd. Fahmeda Islam DB23-00119	Install 19 roof top solar panels as per drawings by Momentum Solar dated 10/25/2023.	N/A	R
11/9/2023	9 Ivy St National Grid RP23-00015	One 4 x 4 bellhole to install gas service	N/A	R
11/13/2023	331-337 Main St. Spa 79 ELP DB23-00121	Façade and interior alterations for a proposed spa as per drawings submitted by John L. Mahler Architect dated 11/7/2023.	N/A	С
11/15/2023	55 Jerome Dr Doodyman to the Rescue RO23-00016	One 8' x 8' bellhole	N/A	R
11/15/2023	59 William St. Long Island Power Solutions DB23-00122	Install 19 roof mounted solar panels as per drawings submitted by Long Island Power Solutions dated 8/3/2023	N/A	R
11/15/2023	334 Main St. Laura Coletti DB23-00120	Façade and sign.	X	C
11/16/2023	19 Cooper St. Alfred Palleschi DB23-00123	Install two zones of central air conditioning	N/A	R
11/16/2023	385 Main St. Rosemary Trudden PP23-00040	Replace oil tank to basement	N/A	C

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

RESOLVED (**#2024-12-02**), to set the following public hearing for Tuesday, January 2, 2024 at 8:00 p.m.:

• Special Use Permit for 207 Main Street to construct an apartment on the ground floor in the rear of the building.

PUBLIC HEARING TO AMEND CODE FOR USE OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA – Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor Barrett and seconded by Trustee Priestley, it was,

RESOLVED (#2024-12-03), to open the hearing.

The following public comment was made:

• A resident asked what is required to have a medical marijuana dispensary. The response was that it must be authorized by the State and that the dispensary must be administered by a registered pharmacist.

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

RESOLVED (#2024-12-04), to close the hearing.

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

RESOLVED (**#2024-12-05**), to adopt a local law to amend the permitted uses in the D-MU and the Industrial I District Zoning Districts related to the uses specified in Chapter 465 of the Village Code and the use of medical marijuana in the Village of Farmingdale.

PUBLIC HEARING TO AMEND CODE REGARDING MISDEMEANORS, OFFENSES & VIOLATIONS – Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor Barrett and seconded by Trustee Parisi, it was,

RESOLVED (#2024-12-06), to open the hearing.

There being no public comment, upon a motion made by Trustee Parisi and seconded by Deputy Mayor Barrett, it was,

RESOLVED (#2024-12-07), to close the hearing.

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

RESOLVED (**#2024-12-08**), to adopt a local law to amend the provisions of the Village Code relating to the imposition, enforcement and penalties associated with misdemeanors, offenses and violations.

SMALL CLAIMS ASSESSMENT REVIEW – Upon a motion made by Trustee Priestley and seconded by Trustee Parisi, it was,

RESOLVED (#2024-12-09), to approve the Small Claims Assessment Review refunds for 2023/2024, as per attached schedule totaling \$10,658.68.

BEAUTIFICATION –

- Trustee Parisi thanked DPW and all volunteers for assisting in decorating the Village for the holiday season.
- Trustee Parisi also mentioned that next year Village Hall and the firehouse will be in white lights and that garland and snowflakes will be installed on Main Street.
- A special thanks to volunteer Joe Staudt for decorating and wiring 29 wreaths.

OLD BUSINESS –

• None

CORRESPONDENCE –

• None

FAIR HOUSING COMPLAINTS & COMMENTS - None

PUBLIC COMMENT – A discussion began on the following topics:

- A resident requested that holiday lights not be turned on until after Thanksgiving and that the lights on Village Hall.
- A resident complimented the new signage regarding metered parking in the lots while also pointing out that Sunday is free so that code should not ticket past midnight on Saturday.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Brian P. Harty Village Clerk/Treasurer