

WORK SESSION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Monday, November 17, 2025

INC. VILLAGE OF FARMINGDALE

The Work Session of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Farmingdale was held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, November 17, 2025.

Present: Mayor Ralph Ekstrand
Deputy Mayor William Barrett
Trustee Cheryl Parisi
Trustee Walter Priestley
Trustee Craig Rosasco
Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Daniel Ruckdeschel
Village Attorney Claudio DeBellis

Absent: Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer Brian Harty

USE OF FACILITIES – NY BLOOD CENTER – Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor Barrett and seconded by Trustee Rosasco, it was,

RESOLVED (#2026-11-13), to approve a request from the New York Blood Center to use the Courtroom for a blood drive to be held on Tuesday, January 20, 2026 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

TAX CERTIORARI – Upon a motion made by Trustee Priestley and seconded by Trustee Rosasco, it was,

RESOLVED (#2026-11-14), to approve Tax Certiorari settlement Re: Spa 79 E.L.P. #60 Sec 49, Blk. 106, Lots 154-156: Premises 331-337 Main Street (Ginos, Salon Culture, Pour Authority), for tax years 2009/10 through and including 2020/2021 for a refund of \$12,588.98, with no change in the assessed value for the current year.

Resolution to approve a contract with Castro Family Landscaping for snow clearing during the 2025-2026 winter season: The Board requested more information, to be discussed at the next meeting.

The following topics were discussed:

- Fire Department:
 - Molding has been ordered and will be stained and installed the week of November 17.
 - Prep work for front and rear stairs completed.
 - Redo of yellow lines on apparatus floor (2nd application).

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- Lounge area flooring ordered for installation when materials have been received.
- Building Department:
 - 7-11 and Sunoco – Permit has been issued, fee has been paid. Discussions underway with regard to demolition permits.
 - Verizon Clock Tower cell service installation at Marquis Shopping Center has been adjourned until February 2, 2026 at 8:00 p.m.
 - Safety inspections nearing completion with rental inspections underway. All going well.
 - Plan reviews and follow up on nuisance issues.
 - Burgerology was issued a summons to solve grease spatter issues on adjacent vehicles, come into compliance and pay overdue \$5,000 parking fee. Meeting was held, pro forma range hood and exhaust cleaning submitted. A payment plan needs to be set up.
 - 5 Puritan Lane wall is underway.
 - 20 Quaker Lane has rerouted gutters to dry well.
 - Casa Stellina needs to address the removal of fire proof door to avoid sprinkler & occupancy issues. Building Inspector Cinquemani has been in discussions with them. Remove heat pumps in the back by the tents to classify them as seasonal is a potential solution.
 - Pour Authority – final inspection is coming up, Special Use Permit will be provided and paid when Certificate of Occupancy is issued.
 - Charging stations installation complete. Need recommendation on how much to charge from installers.
 - Brooklyn Delights is revisiting interest in Conklin Street properties.
 - McGrath's has proposed expansion being reviewed.
 - Addeo property at 215 Prospect Street is nearing C/O.
- Highway Department:
 - Lot maintenance and routine maintenance of Main St.
 - Routine garbage pickup in parks and dog stations

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- North Main Street Pole Removal Project underway and poles have been removed. New water main installation will delay completion of the project as the new main will take approximately 4-6 weeks to be fully operational.
- Follow up with H2M regarding drainage & piping near Linwood is ongoing. H2M is requesting follow up also in response email, identified & located the missing information per state. H2M identified where missing info was in the application.
- Met with National Grid regarding paving roads (Yoakum Ave., Hillside Rd. & Fairview Rd.) where new mains are to be installed and agreed on paving reimbursement from National Grid.
- Need new grate in Moby Way, ordering through Roadwork Ahead.
- Security camera installation completed.
- Electric charging stations installed in Parking Lot 3.
- From Ken Tortoso – DPW weekly work assignments:
- Leaf crew is out cleaning up leaves per the map.
- Crews have been out clearing flower beds and other Village locations in preparation for the fall cleanups.
- Town of Oyster Bay is coming in to repair street lights.
- Two of our diesel trucks will be going out for inspections and service.
- Water Department:
 - Well 1-3 is fully operational.
 - Plant 2 Well 2-2 is manually operational and is being used to fill tanks and can go “to system” if needed.
 - SCADA system is nearing completion.
 - Evaluation of ground tank roof and structure for repairs and/or replacement has been completed and next steps are being developed.
 - Philip Ross Industries reported that Well 2-3 will be back in operation ASAP. Nassau County Health Department approval is needed for Well 2-3.
 - Coordination between South Farmingdale Water District and Farmingdale Water Department is working well.
 - From John Falbo:

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- Ridge Road Well and AOP and GAC – work to comply with Board of Health comments after October 17 inspection.
- Distribution street mark outs.
- Chemical treatment for Wells 1-3 and 2-2 on a daily basis.
- Meter radio replacements & house calls.
- Code Department:
 - Weekly inspections of meters are done to check for any malfunctions (i.e. coins jammed in credit card receptacle).
 - Noise issues on Main Street will be addressed as noted by code officers. If complaints are received, please forward to appropriate code or building department for resolution.
 - Code reviewed and implemented Main Street security for events with NCPD.
 - Code uniforms at night – need for them to be seen better. Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Ruckdeschel will follow up on potential reflective gear.
- Update Fire Department procedures to call Administrator Harty or Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Ruckdeschel when vehicles are out and need repairs.
- Did Captain Ihab obtain a C/O from Building Inspector Cinquemani? Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Ruckdeschel will follow up.
- Salon Culture Studios needs to go back to the Planning Board. Building Inspector Cinquemani to calculate parking fee for expansion.
- Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Ruckdeschel gave the Board an update on the new website. Additional tweaks are still needed, the business directory updated. Training with staff was done, will send the Board the new website.
- United Methodist Church – Mayor Ekstrand gave an update on CO location due to renovation.
- Mayor Ekstrand gave an update on the 239F for Nassau County – it was approved. For the water main, the submission will be reviewed very shortly in order for us to start the installation.
- Main Street – Discussion of a temporary white line to assist with parking.

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ADJOURN PUBLIC HEARING – Upon a motion made by Trustee Parisi and seconded by Deputy Mayor Barrett, it was,

RESOLVED (#2026-11-15), to approve the adjournment of the public hearing for Verizon cell service installation at the Marquis Shopping Center from January 5, 2026 to February 2, 2026 at 8:00 p.m.

SUSPENSION OF SECURITY SERVICES – Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor Barrett and seconded by Trustee Parisi, it was,

RESOLVED (#2026-11-16), to approve the suspension of American Protection Bureau for security services between January 1, 2026 and April 15, 2026, with the exception of certain days whereby the Administration deems necessary (i.e. holidays, Village events, etc.).

This approval is granted by a vote as follows:

Mayor Ralph Ekstrand	nay
Deputy Mayor William Barrett	aye
Trustee Cheryl Parisi	aye
Trustee Walter Priestley	aye
Trustee Craig Rosasco	aye

The discussion continued on the following topics:

- Bartone is interested in investing with Casa Stellina to help with improvements. This will be coordinated with Building Inspector Cinquemani, what is needed?
- Discussion regarding security camera requests: who can request, what can we charge, who to review footage?
- Trustee Parisi mentioned that DPW Foreman Tortoso is looking into getting power for 2 Blue Spruces in Parking Lot #3.
- Discussion of leaf pickup, need to get homeowners informed of new laws as well as landscapers. Leaves can be bagged by homeowners but shouldn't be put out until Sunday night.
- Discussed charging stations and penalty for parking when not charging. Will get recommendation on how much to charge when plugged in as well as idle time.
- Grant request for additional drainage and vaults along Thomas Powell Blvd. was denied. Representatives from the Village and H2M had a meeting with the State regarding the denial. No change in status.

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- Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Ruckdeschel updated the Board on the status of the lead & copper letters, which were sent out.
- Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Ruckdeschel updated the Board on water revenue from November 1, 2025. Billing increased 14%, helping to cover the costs of 1,4 dioxane treatment. There were minimal complaints due to communicating water infrastructure improvements.
- Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Ruckdeschel updated the Board on the May 31, 2025 request for budget transfers and budget to actual.

SECURITY CAMERAS – Upon a motion made by Trustee Parisi and seconded by Trustee Rosasco, it was,

RESOLVED (#2026-11-17), to approve using the Parking Lot Improvement reserve to pay for security cameras authorized for purchase in the 2024/25 fiscal year in the amount of \$133,751,60.

BUDGETS TRANSFERS & AMENDMENTS – Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor Barrett and seconded by Trustee Parisi, it was,

RESOLVED (#2026-11-18), to approve Budget Transfers and Amendments as detailed in attached file.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Ruckdeschel, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer