

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Monday, April 6, 2026
INC. VILLAGE OF FARMINGDALE

The organizational meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Farmingdale was held at 8:00 p.m. on Monday, April 6, 2026.

Present: Mayor Ralph Ekstrand
Deputy Mayor William Barrett
Trustee Cheryl Parisi
Trustee Walter Priestley
Trustee Elect Allison Ingram
Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer Brian Harty
Deputy Clerk Daniel Ruckdeschel
Village Attorney Claudio DeBellis

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

SWEARING IN OF ELECTED OFFICIALS – Justice Craig Rosasco, Trustee Cheryl Parisi & Trustee Allison Ingram. Mayor Ekstrand swore in the new Village Justice, Craig Rosasco. Justice Rosasco then swore in Trustee Parisi, who was re-elected, and newly elected Trustee Allison Ingram.

2026/2027 ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING ITEMS – Upon a motion made by Trustee Priestley and seconded by Trustee Parisi, the following items were, **RESOLVED (#2026-04-04)**,

- List of appointments
- Village office’s Holiday schedule
- Board of Trustees Meeting schedule
- Signatures for Village bank accounts – Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Village Clerk/Treasurer, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer; any two signing together.
- Use of Mayor’s facsimile signature to the following:
 - Wire transfers between Village’s accounts
 - Wire transfers approved by Board resolution
 - Village of Farmingdale and Youth Council payroll checks
 - Youth Council expenditures as listed on abstract
- Existing Village policies:
 - Employee Manual including the following:
 - Procurement Policy

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- Ethic Policy
- Sexual Harassment
- Workplace Violence
- Investment Policy

SWEARING IN OF APPOINTED OFFICIALS – Justice Rosasco swore in the officials who were present, all others will be sworn in within 30 days.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Mayor Ekstrand made the following announcements:

- The next Board meeting with public comment period will be held on Monday May 4th, 2026 at 8:00 p.m. Regular Work Sessions will be held on Monday, April 13th, 2026, Monday, April 27th, 2026 and Monday, May 4th, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.
- April is Fair Housing Month.
- The following resolutions were approved at the March 16th Work Session:
 - Approved all Small Claims assessment review refunds for the 2025/2026 tax year totaling \$7,961.29.
 - Denied all the property tax complaint petitions.
 - Removed a Veteran Exemption from 46 Anita Place (Sec. 49, Blk. 34, Sec. 1) due to passing of owner.
 - Authorized Mayor Ekstrand to sign the contract and rider for the purchase of 141 Division Street.
 - Approved CMJ Emergency Lighting to outfit two FD Chief's cars at a cost of \$24,876.47 per vehicle, total cost \$49,752.94.
 - Hired Jenna Ripa as Secretary to the Board of Trustees at a salary of \$48,000 per year (3/0/2 vote).
 - Appointed Peter Cinquemani as Superintendent of Building.
 - Approved a request from Schneider's Farm for the use of the Village Green for their Farmer's Market on Sundays starting June 7th, 2026 and running through November 22nd, 2026 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (Open to the public from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.)
 - Approved a request from Nassau County SPCA for the use of the Village Green on Sunday, May 17, 2026 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (actual event begins at 11:00 a.m.) for an Animal Abuse Awareness and Adoption event.

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- Required residents to put out garbage not earlier than 5:00 p.m. on the evening before their scheduled collection, per Town of Oyster Bay Sanitation regulations.
- Approved the 2026-2027 holiday schedule & Board of Trustees meeting schedule, as amended.
- The following resolutions were approved at the March 23rd Work Session:
 - Approved a request from Scouting America Troop 51 to hold a car show in Parking Lot 4 on Saturday, May 2nd, 2026 (rain date September 12th, 2026). They are tentatively expecting approximately 100 cars. The event will run from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
 - Approved a request from Body Ritual Pilates Studio to hold a Community Pilates Mat Class Summer Series on the Village Green/Gazebo area from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on the following dates: June 11th, 2026, July 2nd, 2026, August 13th, 2026 & September 3rd, 2026. This must be a free event.
 - Approved a request from Peanuts at St. Gregory's for the use of Gerngras Park for a nursery school picnic on Wednesday, June 3rd, 2026 (rain date of June 5th, 2026) from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.
 - Hired Ken Amato Jr. as a Part Time Laborer in the Highway Department at a rate of \$22 per hour
 - Purchased all the tax liens on unpaid taxes in fiscal year 2025/2026.
 - Set the Village Justice salary at \$20,000 per year.
 - Approved a request from the Farmingdale United Methodist Church for a worship service on Easter Sunday, April 5th, 2026 on the Village Green from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 a.m.
 - Approved the 2025 LOSAP certified points.
 - Approved the use of the Village Green on Sunday, September 27th, 2026 for a barbecue celebrating the 80th anniversary of the Farmingdale Meat Market.
 - Approved the new labor contract beginning June 1st, 2026 and ending May 31st, 2031 with CSEA, Local 1000 AFSCME, AFL-CIO Inc. Village of Farmingdale Unit #7248-00, Nassau County Municipal Employees Local 882 as presented to the Board of Trustees. (4/1 vote)
 - Approved the annual Landscaping contract with Castro Family Landscaping in the amount of \$32,955 for basic services with other services to be directed at the discretion of the Village as needed at the hourly rate as specified in the contract.

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REGULAR MEETING BUSINESS ITEMS – Upon a motion made by Trustee Parisi and seconded by Trustee Priestly, the following items were, **RESOLVED (#2026-04-05)**,

- Abstract of Audited Vouchers #1208 dated April 6th, 2026.
- Minutes of Board Meetings of 3/2/26, 3/16/26, 3/23/26 as amended.
- Use of Village Property:
 - AMENDED: Approved a request from Scouting America Troop 511 to hold a car show in Parking Lot 4 on Saturday, September 12, 2026. They are tentatively expecting 100 cars. The event will run from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- Block Party Applications:
 - Virginia Hund, 15 Taylor Road, Saturday, June 13th, 2026 from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Taylor Road closed between Sullivan Road and Manetto Road.
- 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
3/3/2026	257 MAIN ST JEFFREY RUMMAN SP26-00003	APPROVED AS SUBMITTED WITH FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS: APPLICANT IS REQUIRED TO CHANGE EXISTING GOOSENECK LIGHT BULBS TO A WARM WHITE COLOR TEMPERATURE (2700-3000 KELVINS) FOR ALL FRONT AND REAR SIGNAGE	X	C
3/4/2026	26 SHERMAN RD TRINITY SOLAR DB26-00007	INSTALLATION OF A UTILITY APPROVED, GRID INTER-TIED, FLUSH MOUNT, ROOF MOUNTED, 10 HANWHA 410 SOLAR PANELS, 4.1 KW. ROOF: STRIP AND REPLACE SHINGLES, 1 LAYER, NO PLYWOOD.	N/A	R
3/10/2026	91-B FULTON ST RALPH MICHELE DB26-00012	INTERIOR ALTERATIONS FOR A COFFEE SHOP	N/A	C
3/10/2026	91-A FULTON ST RALPH MICHELE DB26-00013	WHITE BOX – VACANT SPACE	N/A	C
3/12/2026	380 MAIN ST	REPAIR SIDEWALK & TRIPPING	N/A	C

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	USPS FARMINGDALE SW26-00001	HAZARD		
3/13/2026	95B FULTON ST. P & D MECHANICAL PP26-00003	1 WATER CLOSET, 1 KITCHEN SINK, 3 LAVATORIES, 2 INDIRECT WASTES, 1 HAND SINK, 1 RINSE SINK.	N/A	C
3/13/2026	155 FAIRVIEW RD THOMAS STOCKPOLE DB26-00014	INSTALLATION OF MITSUBISHI DUCTLESS HEAT PUMP SYSTEM FOR HEATING & AC. 1 OUTDOOR CONDENSER WITH 2 WALL MOUNTED INDOOR UNITS.	N/A	R
3/19/2026	47 WILLIAM ST NATIONAL GRID RO26-00002	ONE 12 X 4 BELLHOLE	N/A	R
3/19/2026	38 WASHINGTON ST NATIONAL GRID RO26-00003	ONE BELLHOLE TO PLACE NEW POLE	N/A	C
3/20/2026	32 CLINTON AVE ALEX SHEIKH DB26-00015	INSTALLATION OF SOLAR PANELS	N/A	R
3/20/2026	31 ROSE ST GEORGE BONARD PP26-00004	ONE GAS BOILER & ONE GAS WATER HEATER	N/A	R
3/23/2026	49 N MAPLE ST MELISSA VALLE DB26-00016	INSTALLATION OF SOLAR PANELS, ROOF TOP, RAILED, GRID TIED, 10 MODULES, 4.1 KW	N/A	R
3/23/2026	49 N MAPLE ST MELISSA VALLE DB26-00017	INSTALLATION OF SOLAR PANELS, ROOF TOP, RAILED, GRID TIED, 6 MODULES, 2.46 KW	N/A	R
3/27/2026	85 MELVILLE RD MICHAEL MANCHIN FP26-00003	REPLACE FENCE	N/A	R
4/2/2026	400 FULTON ST SUBURBIA OWNERS SW26-00002	REPLACE ENTRANCE AND EXIT APRON AND 2 SIDEWALK SLABS	N/A	R

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

RESOLVED (#2026-04-06), to set the following public hearing for Monday, May 4th, 2026 at 8:00 p.m.:

- Special use permit for Stay Green Brewery, LLC at 211A Main Street.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR CELL SERVICE AT MARQUIS PLAZA – Upon a motion made by Trustee Parisi and seconded by Deputy Mayor Barrett, it was,

RESOLVED (#2026-04-07), to adjourn the hearing for a Special Use Permit for installation of Verizon Cell Services at Marquis Plaza Shopping Center from March 2nd, 2026 until June 1st, 2026 at 8:00 p.m.

BEAUTIFICATION –

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- Trustee Parisi reported that Shamrock lights have been removed from Main Street and that American Flags will be up soon.
- DPW and volunteers continue to make the Village look great with seasonal applications including hanging baskets for the late spring and summer seasons. In ground plantings will be donated by Castro Family Landscaping.

OLD BUSINESS –

- None

CORRESPONDENCE –

- Mayor Ekstrand addressed an issue raised by a resident regarding the master plan and parking counts.

PUBLIC COMMENT – A discussion began on the following topics:

- A resident inquired about the changes at 195 Main Street and was informed that it will be a restaurant/bar.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Brian P. Harty
Village Clerk/Treasurer