

**WORK SESSION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**Monday, April 13, 2026**  
**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, April 13, 2026.

**Present:** Mayor Ralph Ekstrand  
Deputy Mayor William Barrett  
Trustee Cheryl Parisi  
Trustee Walter Priestley (arrived at 7:20 p.m.)  
Trustee Allison Ingram  
Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer Brian Harty  
Deputy Clerk Daniel Ruckdeschel

**Absent:** Village Attorney Claudio DeBellis

Mayor Ekstrand opened the meeting at 7:00 PM with the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence.

Resolution to give a stipend to Dave Saul when he plays the Easter Bunny at the annual Easter Egg Hunt. This resolution was withdrawn as it is a budgeted item.

**USE OF FACILITIES** – Upon a motion made by Trustee Parisi and seconded by Trustee Ingram, it was,

**RESOLVED (#2026-04-08)**, to approve a request from the Farmingdale Chamber Women in Business to use the Village Green for a Pilates event on Tuesday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2026 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Fire Department: The Contractor is fixing lines and logos on the firehouse floor. Will be scheduled for May.

**PUBLIC HEARING ON 2026/2027 BUDGET** – Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor Barrett and seconded by Trustee Parisi, it was,

**RESOLVED (#2026-04-09)**, to open the hearing.

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

**RESOLVED (#2026-04-10)**, to close the hearing.

Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor Barrett and seconded by Trustee Ingram, it was,

**RESOLVED (#2026-04-11)**, to adopt the 2026/2027 budget as presented.

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**2026/2027 Budget Resolution**

**RESOLVED**, to adopt the 2026/2027 Budget as presented with a net budget of \$4,866,333 with the following appropriations: Unrestricted surplus to be appropriated of \$300,000 and Reserve for Debt to be appropriated of \$62,314. The total tax levy of \$4,504,019 is an increase of 1.64% and within the New York State allowable tax cap limit.

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, to certify the tax shares or base proportion percentages as follows: Homestead 66.5467% and Non-homestead of 33.4533% and the tax levy breakdown as: Homestead \$2,997,276 and Non-homestead of \$1,506,743. Corresponding tax rates are \$2.138751/1,000 in assessed value for Homestead and \$4.096838/1,000 in assessed value for Non-homestead.

Other:

- Art in the Park, an annual event sponsored by the Cultural Arts Committee is scheduled for Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026.
- OCTOBERFEST is scheduled for Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2026.
- The April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2026 meeting has been cancelled due to scheduling issues.
- The Business Improvement District will be meeting on Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026 at Village Hall.
- Modifications for turning onto Moby Way from Main Street are being planned to avoid contact with the 231 Main Street over-hang.
- Changes to the parking brochure were discussed.

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

Respectfully submitted,

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Brian P. Harty, Village Clerk-Treasurer