



# Farmingdale School District

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**DATE:** August 5, 2020

**KIND OF MEETING:** Regular Meeting

**PLACE:** Virtual Meeting

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mr. Goldberg, Mrs. D'Amico, Mr. Espinosa, Mr. Giordano, Mrs. Lively, Mr. Morales, Mrs. Soete

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Mr. Defendini, Dr. Ripley, Mr. Zakian, Dr. Brennan, Dr. Olsen, Mr. Motisi, Richard Guercio, Esq., Reesa Miles, Esq., Mrs. Rogers

**Call to Order** Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mr. Goldberg, President of the Board of Education. In accordance with Governor Cuomo's Executive Order related to temporary modifications to Public Officers Law, the meeting was conducted in a virtual format to allow for the uninterrupted continuation of our important work. The Board meeting notice indicated that access to the meeting would be posted on the district's website at [www.farmingdaleschools.org](http://www.farmingdaleschools.org) and a live feed would be available on [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com).

**Executive Session** Motion made by Mrs. D'Amico, seconded by Mrs. Soete, to meet in executive session to discuss specific collective bargaining matters in accordance with Open Meetings Law. Motion carried 7-0

Meeting recessed for executive session at 6:00 p.m. Meeting reconvened in public session at 8:00 p.m. Board President Michael Goldberg opened the meeting with the following statement:

Pursuant to Executive Order 202.1 (and subsequent orders closing District schools) issued by the Hon. Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor of the State of New York, signed March 12, 2020, and due to the concerns of the Board of Education for the Health and Safety of the community emanating from the current COVID-19 pandemic, there would be no in-person public access to the board meeting and instead the meeting will be live streamed and recorded. Access to the live stream could be had by accessing the school district's website for a link that will bring you to a youtube site and the recording of the meeting can be accessed on [www.farmingdaleschools.org](http://www.farmingdaleschools.org). In addition, the public participation portion of the meeting was suspended by board resolution.

**Motion to Suspend Public Participation** On a motion made by Mrs. D'Amico, seconded by Mr. Espinosa, pursuant to the aforementioned Executive Order, the Board suspended the public participation portion of the meeting and therefore, accordingly, there would be no public participation at this Board meeting.

Motion carried 7-0

**Pledge of  
Allegiance**

Mr. Goldberg continued, stating that the Board of Education was interested in encouraging members of the public to share their ideas, comments and questions. Feedback and questions should be directed to the Board's email account at boe@farmingdaleschools.org. Questions and comments would be responded to by members of the central administrative team and would be publicly reviewed at the next regular Board meeting. Mr. Goldberg thanked everyone for their anticipated courtesy and cooperation. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Superintendent's  
Update**

**Monthly  
Update**

Board President Michael Goldberg asked Superintendent of Schools Paul Defendini for his monthly update. Mr. Defendini began his monthly update with the announcement that four high school commencement ceremonies would be taking place the following day. He stated it was an opportunity to reconnect with students and parents and would present an opportunity for a proper send off for the Class of 2020. Mr. Defendini also stated that there would be middle school and elementary school moving up ceremonies the following week.

Mr. Defendini also provided an update on the reopening plans that were submitted to the New York State Education Department. There is no expectation of an approval process of the plans; it was noted that if there were any issues with the plan, the district would be notified. Mr. Defendini described the "green" "yellow" and "red" plans, with green associated with a return to school, yellow as a hybrid instructional model and red as a fully remote program. Many parents had submitted questions via a google form; those questions would be compiled and addressed. Principals would begin to talk to their parents about specific procedures for their buildings. Parents will be asked to make a decision about remote or in-person learning for their children. Those decisions will be held through the elementary level trimester or secondary semester to allow for consistency of instruction.

Mr. Defendini concluded his update with a reminder that so many of the plans remain under review as information is provided to the district.

Mr Goldberg thanked Mr. Defendini for his update.

**Board of  
Education  
Minutes**

Board of Education - Organizational Meeting - Jul 8, 2020 7:30 PM

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Suzanne D'Amico, Vice President
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mario Espinosa, Trustee
<b>AYES:</b>	Lively, Morales, Goldberg, Espinosa, Giordano, D'Amico, Soete

Board of Education - Board Meeting - Jul 8, 2020 8:00 PM

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Suzanne D'Amico, Vice President
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mario Espinosa, Trustee
<b>AYES:</b>	Lively, Morales, Goldberg, Espinosa, Giordano, D'Amico, Soete

Board of Education - Special Meeting - Jul 27, 2020 4:30 PM

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Suzanne D'Amico, Vice President
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mario Espinosa, Trustee
<b>AYES:</b>	Lively, Morales, Goldberg, Espinosa, Giordano, D'Amico, Soete

**Board Correspondence** Board President Michael Goldberg asked the District Clerk if there had been any board correspondence. Mrs. Rogers reported that the Board of Education received a letter from the Class of 1971 regarding their 50th Reunion and regarding accessing a time capsule that was placed at Northside in 1961. Dr. Thompson and Mr. Motisi are working with the reunion committee.

The Board received a letter from a parent with feedback on our recent reopening survey related to Special Education students, the schoology software, the possible return to full time school and assistance with helping filling the gap in learning opportunities and supports. Dr. Brennan reached out to his parent.

Parent letters were received regarding parent participation in the reopening committees and on school reopening. Both parents were contacted by the central administrative team.

The Farmingdale Council of PTAs sent a notification about their new website at <https://farmingdalepta.com>. Links are posted on the site to each individual PTA unit.

**Board Committee Reports** Board President Michael Goldberg asked the Board trustees for their Committee Reports. Mr. Espinosa reported that he, Mrs. Lively and Mrs. D'Amico had attended the annual NYSSBA Law Conference. This year's conference was held in a virtual format. A tremendous amount of information was shared with trustees from around the state. The participants all shared similar concerns about the fall. Mrs. Lively reported that Greg Guercio and colleagues from his firm provided an informative workshop. Mrs. D'Amico stated that the virtual format was different but a great deal of information was distributed.

Mr. Espinosa reported that he had planned to attend the Republic Airport Commission meeting. The meeting was cancelled due to the tropical storm. He stated that he had been invited to a tour of the airport's grounds and would report back to the Board.

Mr. Espinosa reported on the Library's new gazebo and the installation of glass panels for social distancing purposes.

Mrs. Lively reported on the annual PTA Regional Leadership Conference. This, too, was a virtual event. She noted that many of the workshops focused on mental health supports.

**Consideration  
of Consent  
Agenda**

Motion made by Mrs. D'Amico, seconded by Mrs. Lively, that the Consent Agenda consisting of Items I (a-b), II (a-b) and III (a-d) be approved as a whole, with action recorded separately.

**Business  
Report**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Suzanne D'Amico, Vice President
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Kathy Lively, Trustee
<b>AYES:</b>	Lively, Morales, Goldberg, Espinosa, Giordano, D'Amico, Soete

Acceptance for File of Financial Reports

**Acceptance of  
Claims  
Auditor  
Report - June  
2020** RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education accept for file the Claims Auditor Report for the month of June 2020 pursuant to the authority contained in Section 170.2 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education and in accordance with Board Policy 6600.

Approval of Contracts and Agreements

**Approval of  
Special  
Education and  
General  
Education  
Contract for  
the 2019-2020  
School Year** RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale UFSD Board of Education approve the following contract for Special Education and General Education services for the period July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020 and that the Board President be authorized to sign said contract.

SEAFORD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Approval of  
Special  
Education and  
General  
Education  
Contracts for** RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale UFSD Board of Education approve the following contracts for Special Education and General Education services for the period July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 and that the Board President be authorized to sign said contracts.

BELLMORE-MERRICK SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BRENTWOOD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

**the 2020-2021  
School Year**

THE CENTER FOR DISCOVERY, INC.  
COMMUNITY CARE COMPANIONS d/b/a INTERIM HEALTH CARE OF NY  
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES INSTITUTE  
METRO THERAPY  
POSITIVE BEHAVIOR SUPPORT CONSULTING & PSYCHOLOGICAL  
RESOURCES, PC  
SYOSSET HOME TUTORING  
TIEGERMAN  
TUTORING FOR LIFE, LLC.

**Approval of a  
License  
Agreement  
with SCOPE  
for the  
PSAT/SAT  
Preparatory  
Program for  
the 2020-2021  
School Year**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale School District Board of Education approve a license agreement with SCOPE for the PSAT/SAT Preparatory Program for the 2020-2021 school year and to authorize the Board President to sign the appropriate agreement.

**Approval of a  
Consultant  
Services  
Contract with  
Lea  
Mercantini  
Leibowitz**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale School District Board of Education approve a Consultant Services Contract with Lea Mercantini Leibowitz for elementary and middle school staff development and to authorize the Board President to sign the appropriate agreement.

**Approval of a  
Discovery  
Education  
Order Form  
and Standard  
Terms of  
Service and  
License**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale School District Board of Education approve a Discovery Education Order Form and Standard Terms of Service and License and to authorize the Board President to sign the appropriate agreement.

**Approval of  
an Agreement  
with CBIZ  
Valuation  
Group, LLC  
for Capital  
Asset  
Reporting and  
Property  
Insurance  
Updating  
Services for**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education approve an agreement between the Farmingdale Union Free School District and CBIZ Valuation Group, LLC for Capital Asset Reporting and Property Insurance Updating Services for the 2020/21 school year, and that the Board President be authorized to sign said agreement.

**the 2020/21  
School Year**

**Approval of a  
Settlement  
Agreement  
with the CSEA  
and the  
Employee  
Named in  
Executive  
Session**

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, The Board of Education hereby approves a Settlement Agreement with the CSEA and the employee named in Executive Session and authorizes the President of the Board of Education and the Superintendent of Schools to execute the Stipulation.

**Approval of  
Special  
Education  
Services  
Contract for  
the 2018/19  
School Year  
(Brentwood)**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education approve a Special Education Services Contract for the following school district for non-resident students attending non-public schools within the boundaries of the Farmingdale Union Free School District for the 2018/19 school year, and that the Board President be authorized to sign said contracts.

(Brentwood)

**Approval of  
Health &  
Welfare  
Services  
Agreements  
for Resident  
Students  
Attending Non  
Public Schools  
Outside of the  
District for the  
2019/20 School  
Year  
(Manhasset &  
Mineola)**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education approve the Health & Welfare Services Agreements with the following school districts for resident students attending non public schools outside of the district for the 2019/20 school year, and to authorize the Board President to sign the appropriate agreement.

(Manhasset & Mineola)

**Approval of an  
Amendment to  
the  
Intermunicipal  
Cooperation  
Agreement  
between  
Farmingdale  
School District  
and the  
Syosset  
Central School  
District for**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education approve an Amendment to the Intermunicipal Cooperation Agreement between the Farmingdale Union Free School District and the Syosset Central School District for Emergency Child Care Services and that the Board President be authorized to sign said agreement.

**Emergency  
Childcare  
Services**

**Approval of  
the T-Mobile  
for Education  
Agreement for  
the 2020/21  
School Year**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale School District Board of Education approve the T-Mobile for Education Agreement (in order to obtain hotspots for families that require them) for the 2020/21 School Year and authorize the Board President to sign the appropriate agreement.

**Approval of  
the Pear Deck  
Agreement for  
the 2020/21  
School Year**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale School District Board of Education approve the Pear Deck Agreement (an interactive learning tool to engage students in distance learning) for the 2020/21 School Year and authorize the Board President to sign the appropriate agreement.

**Approval of  
the NoRedInk  
Corp.  
Agreement for  
the 2020/21  
School Year**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale School District Board of Education approve the NoRedInk Corp. Agreement (for an online web-based language-learning platform) for the 2020/21 School Year and authorize the Board President to sign the appropriate agreement.

**Approval of  
the Altice  
Service  
Agreement for  
the 2020/21  
School Year**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale School District Board of Education approve the Altice Service Agreement (to supply WiFi to students) for the 2020/21 School Year and authorize the Board President to sign the appropriate agreement.

**Approval of the  
Zoom Video  
Communications,  
Inc. Agreement  
for the 2020/21  
School Year**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale School District Board of Education approve the Zoom Video Communications, Inc. Agreement (for teleconferencing and distance education) for the 2020/21 School Year and authorize the Board President to sign the appropriate agreement.

**Items for  
Action**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Suzanne D'Amico, Vice President
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Kathy Lively, Trustee
<b>AYES:</b>	Lively, Morales, Goldberg, Espinosa, Giordano, D'Amico, Soete

**Approval to  
Rescind the  
Appointment  
of the ADA**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District rescind the following appointment that was approved at the July 6, 2020 Organizational Meeting.

Joan Ripley- ADA Compliance Officer

**Compliance  
Officer**

**Approval of  
ADA  
Compliance  
Officer**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve the following appointment for the 2020-21 school year.

Glen Zakian-ADA Compliance Officer

**Superintendent's  
Report**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Suzanne D'Amico, Vice President
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Kathy Lively, Trustee
<b>AYES:</b>	Lively, Morales, Goldberg, Espinosa, Giordano, D'Amico, Soete

Personnel Items -- Instructional

**Instructional:  
Appointments  
/ 2020-2021** RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a schedule of instructional personnel actions: "Appointments / 2020-2021", in accordance with Board Policy 9230. Appointments do not exceed the number of positions authorized in the budget.

**Instructional:  
Appointments  
/ Regular  
Substitutes  
2020-2021** RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a schedule of instructional personnel actions: "Appointments / Regular Substitutes 2020-2021", in accordance with Board Policy 9230. Appointments do not exceed the number of positions authorized in the budget.

**Instructional:  
Appointments  
/ Evening High  
School** RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a schedule of instructional personnel actions: "Appointments / Evening High School", for the 2020-2021 school year at the hourly rate of \$54 per hour.

**Instructional:  
Appointment  
of On Call, Per  
Diem  
Substitute  
Teachers** RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a schedule of instructional personnel actions: "Appointment of On-Call, Per Diem Substitute Teachers", subject to termination at any time.

Personnel Items -- Non-Instructional

**Non-  
instructional:  
Resignation** RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District accept a non-



<b>for the Purpose of Retirement</b>	instructional personnel action: "Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement", effective on the date noted hereon and adopt the corresponding retirement resolution.
<b>Non-Instructional: Resignation / CSEA</b>	RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District accept a non-instructional personnel action: "Resignation / CSEA", effective on the date noted hereon.
<b>Non-Instructional: Leaves of Absence</b>	RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a schedule of non-instructional personnel actions: "Leaves of Absence" in accordance with Nassau County Civil Service Commission regulations. Appointments do not exceed the number of positions authorized in the budget.
<b>Non-instructional: Changes in Assignment / CSEA (Operations and Maintenance)</b>	RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a schedule of non-instructional, personnel actions: "Changes in Assignment / CSEA (Operations and Maintenance)", in accordance with Nassau County Civil Service Commission regulations. Appointments do not exceed the number of positions authorized in the budget.
<b>Non-Instructional: Appointments / CSEA (Operations and Maintenance)</b>	RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a schedule of non-instructional personnel actions: "Appointments / CSEA (Operations and Maintenance)", in accordance with Nassau County Civil Service Commission regulations. Appointments do not exceed the number of positions authorized in the budget.
<b>Non-Instructional: Appointment / CSEA (Clerical)</b>	RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a schedule of non-instructional personnel actions: "Appointments / CSEA (Clerical)", in accordance with Nassau County Civil Service Commission regulations. Appointment does not exceed the number of positions authorized in the budget.
<b>Non-Instructional: Appointments / Registered Professional Nurses</b>	RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a schedule of non-instructional personnel actions: "Appointments / Registered Professional Nurses", in accordance with Nassau County Civil Service Commission regulations. Appointments do not exceed the number of positions authorized in the budget.
<b>Non-instructional: Resignation</b>	RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District accept a non-

**for the  
Purpose of  
Retirement /  
TASM**

instructional personnel action: "Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement / TASM", effective on the date noted hereon and to approve the attached retirement resolution.

**Non-  
Instructional:  
Appointment /  
Confirmation  
of Start Date -  
School Lunch  
Manager**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a non-instructional personnel action: "Appointment / Confirmation of Start Date - School Lunch Manager", in accordance with Nassau County Civil Service Commission regulations. Appointment does not exceed the number of positions authorized in the budget.

**Non-  
instructional:  
Appointment /  
On-Call, Per  
Diem  
Substitute  
Cleaner**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a non-instructional personnel action: "Appointment / On Call, Per Diem Substitute Cleaner", subject to termination at any time.

**Non-  
instructional:  
Appointment /  
On-Call, Per  
Diem  
Substitute  
Teacher Aides**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a schedule of non-instructional personnel actions: "Appointments / On-Call, Per Diem Substitute Teacher Aides", subject to termination at any time.

**Non-  
Instructional:  
Resignation /  
TASM**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District accept a non-instructional personnel action: "Resignation / TASM", effective on the date noted hereon.

**Approval of  
the Committee  
on Special  
Education  
Placements  
Report and  
Acceptance for  
File of Said  
Report**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Farmingdale UFSD Board of Education approve and accept for file the Committee on Special Education Placements Report by the Director of Special Education dated July 19, 2020, in accordance with New York State Education Part 200 Regulations.

**Approval of  
the Committee  
on Preschool  
Special  
Education  
Placements  
Report and**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Farmingdale UFSD Board of Education approve and accept for file the Committee on Preschool Special Education Placements Report by the Director of Special Education dated July 19, 2020, in accordance with New York State Education Part 200 Regulations.

**Acceptance for  
File of Said  
Report**

**Items for  
Discussion and  
Action**

**Authorization to Set Tax Levy for the 2020/21 School Year** RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District authorizes to set the tax levy for the 2020/21 school year subject to adjustment based upon the application of the final equalization rates and assessed values from the Town of Oyster Bay, Nassau County and Town of Babylon, Suffolk County.

***Discussion:***

Board President Michael Goldberg introduced Assistant to the Superintendent for Business Michael Motisi. Mr. Motisi stated that the district had received most of the information needed to calculate the tax levies; at this point the district is waiting for the equalization rates. This resolution allows the district to complete the required calculations based on the allocations across the property classifications and county lines. A fall presentation is planned.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Suzanne D'Amico, Vice President
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mario Espinosa, Trustee
<b>AYES:</b>	Lively, Morales, Goldberg, Espinosa, Giordano, D'Amico, Soete

**Approval of Property Tax Exemption - Alternative Veterans** RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education adopt the attached Property Tax Exemption motion for Alternative Veterans for the 2021/22 school year.

***Discussion:***

Assistant to the Superintendent for Business Michael Motisi provided a summary of each of the requests for property tax exemptions. The Board was asked to review a series of exemption specifically for veterans. The first resolution was to provide for alternative veterans, which includes non-combat, conflict, and disabled veterans.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Suzanne D'Amico, Vice President
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mario Espinosa, Trustee
<b>AYES:</b>	Lively, Morales, Goldberg, Espinosa, Giordano, D'Amico, Soete

**Approval of Property Tax Exemption - Gold Star Parents** RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education adopt the attached Property Tax Exemption motion for Gold Star Parents for the 2021/22 school year.

***Discussion:***

The second in the series of veteran exemptions is for parents of members of the armed forces killed in the line of duty.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Suzanne D'Amico, Vice President
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mario Espinosa, Trustee
<b>AYES:</b>	Lively, Morales, Goldberg, Espinosa, Giordano, D'Amico, Soete

**Approval of  
Property Tax  
Exemption -  
Cooperative  
Corporation  
Veterans**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education adopt the attached Property Tax Exemption motion for Cooperative Corporation Veterans for the 2021/22 school year.

*Discussion:*

The third exemption for veterans includes property tax relief for those veterans living in cooperative residences.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Suzanne D'Amico, Vice President
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mario Espinosa, Trustee
<b>AYES:</b>	Lively, Morales, Goldberg, Espinosa, Giordano, D'Amico, Soete

**Approval of  
Property Tax  
Exemption -  
Cold War  
Veterans**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education adopt the attached Property Tax Exemption motion for Cold War Veterans for the 2021/22 school year.

*Discussion:*

The fourth veteran exemption category is extended to veterans who served during the time period September 2, 1945 through December 25, 1991.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Suzanne D'Amico, Vice President
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mario Espinosa, Trustee
<b>AYES:</b>	Lively, Morales, Goldberg, Espinosa, Giordano, D'Amico, Soete

**Approval of  
Property Tax  
Exemption -  
Capital  
Improvements  
to Commercial  
or Business  
Properties**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education adopt the attached Property Tax Exemption motion for Capital Improvements to Commercial or Business Properties for the 2021/22 school year.

*Discussion:*

Property tax exemptions are available for commercial and business properties who have undergone capital improvements. It provides for a gradual increase to the full assessment increase.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>DEFEATED [0 TO 7]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Suzanne D'Amico, Vice President
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mario Espinosa, Trustee
<b>NAYS:</b>	Lively, Morales, Goldberg, Espinosa, Giordano, D'Amico, Soete

**Approval of Property Tax Exemption - Capital Improvements to Residential Buildings** RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education adopt the attached Property Tax Exemption motion for Capital Improvements to Residential Buildings for the 2021/22 school year.

*Discussion:*  
The second on the property tax exemptions for capital improvements is related to residential properties. It provides for tax relief over an eight-year period, with a 12.5% increase in the new assessed value per year.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>DEFEATED [0 TO 7]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Suzanne D'Amico, Vice President
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mario Espinosa, Trustee
<b>NAYS:</b>	Lively, Morales, Goldberg, Espinosa, Giordano, D'Amico, Soete

**Approval of Property Tax Exemption - Persons with Disabilities and Limited Income** RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education adopt the attached Property Tax Exemption motion for Persons with Disabilities and Limited Income for the 2021/22 school year.

*Discussion:*  
Assistant to the Superintendent for Business Michael Motisi explained that there are two resolutions related to tax relief for residents with limited income. The first category is specifically for persons with disabilities and limited income. A sliding scale starting at 5% relief to 50% based on income and residence requirements is included in the resolution.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Suzanne D'Amico, Vice President
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Kathy Lively, Trustee
<b>AYES:</b>	Lively, Morales, Goldberg, Espinosa, Giordano, D'Amico, Soete

**Approval of Property Tax Exemption - Senior Citizens with Limited Income** RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education adopt the attached Property Tax Exemption motion for Senior Citizens with Limited Income for the 2021/22 school year.

*Discussion:*  
Mr. Motisi continued that the second of the resolutions relative to limited income is specifically for senior citizens. This exemption also allows for 5% to 50% relief based on income levels.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Suzanne D'Amico, Vice President
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mario Espinosa, Trustee
<b>AYES:</b>	Lively, Morales, Goldberg, Espinosa, Giordano, D'Amico, Soete

**Approval of Property Tax Exemption - Volunteer Firefighters & Ambulance Workers with Five Years of Service**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education adopt the attached Property Tax Exemption motion for Volunteer Firefighters & Ambulance Workers with Five Years of Service for the 2021/22 school year.

*Discussion:*  
Assistant to the Superintendent for Business Michael Motisi stated that the fourth category of property tax exemptions is related to volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers. The first resolution is specifically for those community members who have served in this capacity for five or more years.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Suzanne D'Amico, Vice President
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mario Espinosa, Trustee
<b>AYES:</b>	Lively, Morales, Goldberg, Espinosa, Giordano, D'Amico, Soete

**Approval of Property Tax Exemption - Firefighter & Ambulance Workers with Unremarried Spouses of those Killed in Line of Duty**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education adopt the attached Property Tax Exemption motion for Firefighters & Ambulance Workers with Unremarried Spouses of those Killed in the Line of Duty for the 2021/22 school year.

*Discussion:*  
A property tax reduction of home assessed values may be provided to unremarried spouses of those killed in the line of duty.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Suzanne D'Amico, Vice President
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mario Espinosa, Trustee
<b>AYES:</b>	Lively, Morales, Goldberg, Espinosa, Giordano, D'Amico, Soete

**Approval of Property Tax Exemption - Volunteer Firefighters & Ambulance Workers with Unremarried Spouses of Deceased Members**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale UFSD Board of Education adopt the attached Property Tax Exemption motion for Volunteer Firefighters & Ambulance Workers with Unremarried Spouses of Deceased Members for the 2021/22 school year.

*Discussion:*  
Mr. Motisi noted that the next level of tax relief is for unremarried spouses of deceased former members of the volunteer firefighter and ambulance worker corps.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Suzanne D'Amico, Vice President
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mario Espinosa, Trustee
<b>AYES:</b>	Lively, Morales, Goldberg, Espinosa, Giordano, D'Amico, Soete

**Approval of Property Tax Exemption - First Time Home Buyers of Newly Constructed Primary Residential Property**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education adopt the attached Property Tax Exemption motion for First Time Home Buyers of Newly Constructed Primary Residential Property for the 2021/22 school year.

*Discussion:*  
Assistant to the Superintendent for Business Michael Motisi stated that the last category for property tax exemption relief is available to first time home buyers of new constructed primary residential properties in the Farmingdale School District boundaries.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>DEFEATED [0 TO 7]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Suzanne D'Amico, Vice President
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mario Espinosa, Trustee
<b>NAYS:</b>	Lively, Morales, Goldberg, Espinosa, Giordano, D'Amico, Soete

**Approval of a Request for an Exemption to the Mandated School Zone Assignment #1**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education approve an exemption to the mandated school zone assignment #1 by reason of a demonstrated personal and/or family hardship in accordance with Board Policy 5110.

*Discussion:*  
Assistant to the Superintendent for Business Michael Motisi stated that the request for an exemption to a mandated school zone assignment was presented to the Board of Education after an initial postponement during the July 8, 2020 board meeting. Mr. Motisi provided a brief summary of the personal hardship that was the basis of the request. Board members did not have any questions.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Suzanne D'Amico, Vice President
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Kathy Lively, Trustee
<b>AYES:</b>	Lively, Morales, Goldberg, Espinosa, Giordano, D'Amico, Soete

**Adjournment**

On a motion made by Mrs. D'Amico, seconded by Mr. Espinosa, the meeting was adjourned.

Motion carried 7-0

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

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Mary E. Rogers, District Clerk