Incorporated Village of South Floral Park

Minutes

Regular Board Meeting

Thursday, May 1, 2025, at 8:00 p.m.

The meeting was held at the Elmont Public Library, Room #2,

700 Hempstead Turnpike, Elmont, NY 11003

The tenth regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of South Floral Park was held on Thursday, May 1, 2025. Mayor Brown opened the meeting at 8:00 pm and called upon Trustee Graham to lead the audience with a salute to the flag. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Mayor Brown asked Deputy Clerk West to proceed with the roll call.

Present: Mayor Brown, Deputy Mayor Bellamy, Trustee Graham, Trustee Jacques, Trustee Porscha Lyons, Village Attorney Chris Prior, Clerk Mary Long and Deputy Clerk Tanisha West.

The Minutes of the April 3, 2025, Board meeting on a motion by Trustee Graham and seconded by Deputy Mayor Bellamy was unanimously approved

The vouchers for April 2025 on a motion by Trustee Lyons, seconded by Trustee Jacques were unanimously approved.

Financial Report

Deputy Clerk reported that the April financial report would be available for the June meeting

Report of the Commissioners:

<u>Police Activity Report:</u> Commissioner Graham read the April Village Justice report as follows: there were 75 parking citations and 5 local law violations issued by our code enforcers, for a total of 80 citations. There were 0 parking citations and zero moving violations issued by the 5th Precinct in April. In April, the village collected \$2,405.00 in fines. Unfortunately, the POP Unit will not be in attendance at tomorrow night's meeting and they will provide the April and May stats at the June meeting

<u>Highway Report:</u> Commission Lyons reported, that the road staff completed their routine cleaning of the interior and exterior of Village Hall, the Fire Department and the roads. In addition to:

Cleaned the storm drains.

- Cleaned village roads.
- Replaced the street sign on Kingston venue.

Routine vehicle maintenance for the village trucks (Ford and Chevy) is in good working condition.

- The Ford truck is scheduled for inspection at the end of May.
- The Chevy truck inspection is scheduled for June.
- Fixed the Stop Sign on Tennessee and Allen Way
- Trimmed tree on Arthur Avenue

In closing Commissioner Lyons stated that if anyone sees anything to call Village Hall

Commissioner Lyons asked that residents notify Village Hall to report any incidents.

<u>Fire Report</u> – Commissioner Jacques reported that for the month of April, there were 15 fire calls attended by 31 members, 0 ambulance calls, 2 schools attended by 9 members, and 2 miscellaneous events attended by 4 members. The fire commissioner also reported that all the medications in the ambulance are current. Commissioner Jacques said that one of the Fire Truck 181 was out to being serviced.

<u>Power & Light</u> – Commissioner Bellamy reported a street light outage IFO 177 Memphis was reported to Welsbach on 4/25/2025.

<u>Commissioner of Emergency Management</u> – Commissioner Bellamy stated she is working to set up a Zoom meeting with members of the Nassau County Office of Emergency Management.

<u>WAWNC Report</u> - Commissioner Ifill is unavailable for tonight's meeting but he met with the village clerk and indicated that there was nothing new to report as it pertains to South Floral Park.

<u>4VS</u> - 4 Village Studios will be taping a new episode of The South Floral Park Mayor's Quarterly on Saturday May 3rd. This upcoming episode will highlight the South Floral Park Volunteer Fire Department and will also include updates related to the Village's Centennial Celebration. The episode is scheduled to debut on Monday, July 7th at 9:00PM and will re-air on the following Thursday and Sunday. In addition, the previously taped episode of the show will premiere on Monday June 2nd at 9:00 PM

<u>Belmont Advisory Board</u> – Advisory Board Member Graham reported that he did not attend the April 5th meeting, however he met with Mr. Hines of NYRA who gave him a tour of the project. Advisory Board Member Graham said that construction was going well.

<u>Building Department</u> - During the month of April 2025, the Building Department received a total of nine (9) permit applications. Of these applications: Four (4) permits were reviewed and issued, five (5) applications remain under review and are currently pending. The department continues to work closely with applicants to ensure all submissions meet the Village's building codes and zoning requirements. We anticipate additional permits to be issued as outstanding documentation and approvals are finalized.

Correspondence:

• On May 1st, the village received their Chart of Accounts from Nassau County Office for Community Development. The village has a balance of \$320,000.

Old Business:

- The budget for the fiscal year 2025/2026 was adopted at the April 3rd Budget Hearing.
 Copies of the budget are available at Village Hall and can be viewed on the village's website.
- On 3/31/25 the village received a proposal for legal services from McLaughlin & Stern,
 LLP for the 25/26 fiscal year. This item was tabled at the April meeting so the Board would have time to review the proposal for legal services.

On a motion by Trustee Jacques and seconded by Trustee Graham a unanimous approval of the proposal of McLaughlin & Stern as submitted.

 Appointments: The following appointments were carried over from the April Organizational Meeting. These appointments are for a one-year-term

Village Attorney McLaughlin & Stern, LLP

Village Accountant TABLED

Belmont Advisory Board Member LeRoy Graham, Jr.

New Business:

• Mr. Peng Qi, owner of 372 Marguerite Avenue, submitted a request to the Village Board of Trustees to install a 2nd curb cut at his residence. The Board of Zoning Appeals approved Mr. Qi's variance to widen his driveway and the Board of Trustees, as the Village Planning Board are to consider Mr. Qi's request.

On a motion by Trustee Lyons, seconded by Trustee Jacques, and unanimously approved the Board of Trustees approved the request to install a 2nd Curb cut at his residence at 372 Marguerite Avenue.

Upcoming Events

- The next Board of Trustees meeting will be on Thursday, June 5th at 8:00 pm.
- Justice court will be held on Monday, June 16th at 6 pm.
- The Village of South Floral Park will celebrate its Centennial year of Incorporation.

Trustee Graham stated that the celebration will be on Saturday September 20th 2025. The rain date for this historical event is Saturday, September 27th. 4V studios will also be taping documentary to commemorate the 100th year anniversary of South Floral Park. Trustee Graham will be reaching out to interview long term residents.

With no further comments from the Trustees, Mayor Brown opened up the meeting to the audience.

Residents:

Resident 1, asked where were the 15 fire calls were located. Commissioner Jacques mentioned that the calls were in and outside of the village. Mayor Brown added that the Village Fire Department is on a mutual aid program.

Resident 2, asked why is our new fire truck in the shop? Trustee Jacques stated that the door on truck 181 needed repair.

Resident 3, asked for an update on the streets being paved, and stated that there are "dips in the road" that need to be repaired. Trustee Lyons stated that the pavement of village roads will be begin 5/19/2025, and there will be 3 days of milling and 3 days of paving.

Resident 2, mentioned that she would like to be interviewed.

Resident 4, inquired about the status of expired permits near 186 Kingston. Mayor Brown stated that the Village is aware of expired permits and will do their due diligence regarding the matter.

Resident 5, asked if the Village has heard from the granddaughter of Maurice Wilson, the former owner of 186 Kingston Avenue regarding the property. Mayor Brown stated that the granddaughter has been in contact with the Village.

Resident 6, wanted to know where the new water connection was located for their property. The Village Clerk stated that she would contact him in the morning, with a contact number for Karen at the water authority.

With no further comments from the audience, on a motion by Trustee Jacques, seconded by Trustee Lyons and unanimously approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Deputy Clerk

Tanisha West