Farmingville, NY - On December 1, Supervisor Mark Lesko and Deputy Supervisor / Councilwoman Kathleen Walsh celebrated the start of Hanukkah at the annual Community Menorah Lighting ceremony in the lobby of Town Hall. The event, which was attended by over 100 residents, was led by Rabbi Mendy Goldberg of the Lubavitch of the East End in Coram. Guests enjoyed traditional Hanukkah songs and stories, as well as a magic show and refreshments, including hot latkes and donuts.

"Hanukkah is a time to celebrate the triumph of light over darkness and help spread the word about peace and tolerance in the community," said Supervisor Lesko. "I thank Rabbi Goldberg for sharing this special night with our residents and wish everyone a happy and safe holiday season."

"On Wednesday night, we gathered to pay tribute to a story as simple as it is timeless," said Deputy Supervisor Walsh. "The candles of Hanukkah remind us of the importance of faith and perseverance," she continued. "And as we prepare to light another candle on the menorah, let us pray for the members of our military of all faiths who guard our freedom every day, and who may be spending this holiday far away from home."

Pictured are Deputy Supervisor Kathleen Walsh, supervisor Mark Lesko and Rabbi Mendy Goldberg after lighting the first candle of the Menorah in the lobby of Town Hall.