

**Minutes - Board Meeting – 01/18/12**

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Mineola held Wednesday, January 18, 2012 at Village Hall, 155 Washington Avenue, Mineola, New York 11501.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Scott P. Strauss  
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther  
Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
Trustee Paul A. Pereira  
Trustee George R. Durham

**ALSO PRESENT:** Village Attorney John Spellman  
Village Clerk Joseph R. Scalero  
Deputy Village Clerk Cora T. Kelly

**Press Observers:** Rich Forestano, *Mineola American*  
Rich Tedesco, *Williston Times*  
Geoffrey Walter, *Patch.com*

**Sunshine Observers:** 11 Observers

**Mayor Scott P. Strauss called the Work Session to order at 6:50 PM.**

**Resolution No. 14-12**

Resolved to approve bills and payroll.

Motioned by Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
Seconded by Trustee Paul A. Pereira

**Vote:**

<b><u>Yes</u></b>	<b><u>No</u></b>	<b><u>Abstain</u></b>
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee George R. Durham		

**Resolution No. 15-12**

Resolved to approve a request from The Birchwood Court Owners, Inc. for use of the Community Center auditorium for their Annual Shareholder Meeting Tuesday May 8, 2012 from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Motioned by Trustee Paul A. Pereira  
Seconded by Trustee George R. Durham

**Vote:**

<b><u>Yes</u></b>	<b><u>No</u></b>	<b><u>Abstain</u></b>
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee George R. Durham		

**Resolution No. 16-12**

Resolved to approve a request from Kathleen Furka to participate in the health insurance buy-back program pursuant to the Collective Bargaining Agreement currently in effect.

Motioned by Trustee Lawrence A. Werther  
Seconded by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

**Vote:**

<b><u>Yes</u></b>	<b><u>No</u></b>	<b><u>Abstain</u></b>
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee George R. Durham		

*Village Attorney John M. Spellman recommended the following resolution:*

**Resolution No. 17-12**

Resolved that the Board of Trustees consents to the settlement of its MTBE products liability lawsuit (In re: Methyl Tertiary Butyl Ether (MTBE) Products Liability Litigation, MDL-1358 (S.D.N.Y)) with respect to defendant gasoline companies CP Service Station Operating Corp., Tartan Oil Corp., Northville



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*Mayor Scott P. Strauss presented a Proclamation on behalf of the Board of Trustees to Mineola resident Craig Pinto for his efforts in promoting awareness of Celiac Disease by kicking 1000 field goals in a 24-hour period; gaining entry into the Guinness World Book of Records.*

Mayor Scott P. Strauss reported that Nassau County Police have reported an increase in “distraction robberies” (where a stranger engages a homeowner in conversation while another person enters their home and steals from them) and cautioned residents to be aware of this. Mayor Strauss reiterated the importance of adhering to the village snow ordinance should there be 2 or more inches of snow accumulation.

Trustee Lawrence A. Werther announced that the “Night on the Town” fundraiser for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society will be held on Thursday May 3, 2012 and requested that anyone interested in being a sponsor contact Tony Lubrano at Piccolo Bussolo.

Trustee Paul S. Cusato stated that he attended the Mineola Historical Society meeting where they are working to index over 3800 photos pertaining to Mineola, some dating to the Village’s beginning and noted that there will be a fundraiser for the Historical Society in the coming months. Trustee Cusato reminded residents of the Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast on February 5, 2012 and encouraged participation by all.

Trustee Paul A. Pereira announced that the Mineola Historical Society visited Mineola High School and gave a very interesting presentation on “old Mineola”. Trustee Pereira reported that Mineola High School will hold “Reggie Carter Night” to raise funds for the scholarship honoring former Assistant Principal Reggie Carter on Friday 13, 2012 and congratulated Craig Pinto on his accomplishments.

Trustee George R. Durham reminded everyone that Spring registration for the Mineola Athletic Association (MMA) soccer and baseball sports programs are now open and available on line. Trustee Durham announced that Boy Scout Troop 45 is making preparations to defend the Klondike Derby on January 28, 2012.

*0 Speakers addressed the Board*

**Mayor Scott P. Strauss requested a motion to close the Public Meeting at 7:55 PM.**

Motioned by Trustee Lawrence A. Werther  
Seconded by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

**Vote:**

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee George R. Durham		