

Minutes - Board Meeting -02/01/2012

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Mineola held Wednesday, February 1, 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 M. Spellman
Village Clerk Joseph R. Scalero
Deputy Village Clerk Cora T. Kelly
Superintendent of Public Works Thomas J. Rini
Superintendent of Buildings Daniel B. Whalen

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

Sunshine Observers: 13 Observers

Mayor Scott P. Strauss called the Work Session to order at 6:35 PM

Resolution No. 19-12

Resolved to approve bills and payroll.

Motioned by Trustee Paul A. Pereira
Seconded by Trustee Lawrence A. Werther

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		

Resolution No. 20-12

Resolved to approve the minutes from the meetings of the Board of Trustees of January 4, 2012, January 11, 2012 & January 18, 2012.

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

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		

Resolution No.21-12

Resolved to approve a request by The Nassau Pops Symphony Orchestra for the use of Memorial Park Friday, July 6, 2012 and Friday, July 27, 2012 in conjunction with the Village of Mineola Summer Concert Series.

Motioned by Trustee George R. Durham
Seconded by Trustee Lawrence A. Werther

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		

Resolution No. 22-12

Resolved to approve the recommendation of the Mineola Library Board to hire Anne Ressa in the position of Clerk at the Mineola Library with a starting salary in accordance with the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Motioned by Trustee Paul A. Pereira
Seconded by Trustee Lawrence A. Werther

Mayor Scott P. Strauss requested a motion to go into Executive Session at 7:00 PM

Motioned by Trustee Lawrence A. Werther
Seconded by Trustee Paul A. Pereira

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		

Mayor Scott P. Strauss requested a motion to come out of Executive Session at 7:45 PM.

Motioned by Trustee Lawrence A. Werther
Seconded by Trustee Paul A. Pereira

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		

Mayor Scott P. Strauss stated that no action was taken in Executive Session.

Village Attorney John M. Spellman recommended the following resolution:

Resolution No. 27-12

Whereas, the Incorporated Village of Mineola is responsible for the administration and enforcement of the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code (the "Uniform Code") for all private buildings, premises and equipment located within the Village; and

Whereas, the Village exercises its administrative and enforcement responsibilities under the Uniform Code through its Building Department and its duly appointed Enforcement Officers; and

Whereas, one of the responsibilities of the Building Department is to advance the protection of life and property through inspections and reinspections of electrical wiring installations, devices, appliances and equipment in and on properties within the Village; and

Whereas, the Village possesses the authority under its Municipal Code to deputize as agent a person or electrical inspection agency to make inspections and reinspections of electrical installations; and

Whereas, the Village desires to adopt a formal policy according to which it will deputize as agent a person or electrical inspection agency to make electrical inspections and reinspections in the Village.

Now, therefore, it is RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees as follows:

1. The Village will bi-annually solicit applications from qualified persons or electrical inspection agencies for the performance of electrical inspections on behalf of the Village in the capacity of deputized electrical inspector.
2. An appointment of a deputized electrical inspector will be made bi-annually at the Village's Organization Night.
3. Any fees for inspection services will be paid by the Village.

Motioned by Trustee Lawrence A. Werther
Seconded by Trustee Paul A. Pereira

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		

Mayor Scott P. Strauss requested a motion to close the Work Session at 7:50 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

Mayor Scott P. Strauss called the Public Meeting to order at 7:50 PM.

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

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Mayor Scott P. Strauss complimented Superintendent of Public Works Thomas J. Rini and his staff on a job well done in clearing village streets from the January snowfall, reminded residents to observe the village's snow ordinance, and noted that all residents should clear around the fire hydrants adjacent to their homes. Mayor Strauss deferred discussion of a Carle Place Civic Association meeting regarding the Bruce Terrace project to Trustee Paul S. Cusato and Trustee George R. Durham but re-iterated the village's commitment to seeing this project completed. Mayor Strauss stated that he attended the Klondike Derby on January 28, 2012 where Boy Scout Troop 45 won with the younger scouts scoring 1st & 2nd place and the older scouts winning 1st place by scoring the highest score ever achieved in the 26-year history of this event [695 out of 700] and congratulated all.

Trustee Lawrence A. Werther stated that preparations are underway for the "Night on the Town" fundraiser for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society on May 3, 2012 and reminded business owners interested in being a sponsor to contact Tony Lubrano at Piccolo Bussolo.

Trustee Paul S. Cusato commented on the Carle Place Civic Association meeting that he and Trustee George R. Durham attended regarding the Bruce Terrace project on January 25, 2012 and reported on being confronted by North Hempstead Supervisor Jon Kaiman who assailed the Village of Mineola on its efforts on the Bruce Terrace project and questioned the trustees' attendance at the meeting. Trustee Cusato stated that he also attended the Nassau HUB meeting at which progress reports on two proposals were presented and noted that Mineola is still in each. Trustee Cusato announced that the Mineola Fire Department annual fund drive is underway and stated that at this time it is being done by mail only. Trustee Cusato presented an updated fire report for the year.

Trustee Paul A. Pereira emphasized that the Village of Mineola is committed to doing all that is necessary to resolve the flooding issues at Bruce Terrace. Trustee Pereira reported that he and Mayor Scott P. Strauss attended the Long Island Portuguese Lions Club 21st Annual Fundraiser and commended the organization for the fine work that they do.

Trustee George R. Durham congratulated Boy Scout Troop 45 on their Klondike Derby victories; stated that he attended the PTA fundraiser at the Knights of Columbus; and reported on the Carle Place Civic Association meeting where Supervisor Jon Kaiman attempted to blame the Village of Mineola for project delays. Trustee Durham stated that he and Trustee Paul S. Cusato challenged these facts noting that the Town of North Hempstead has yet to begin their engineering surveys and Mineola's are virtually completed.

2 Speakers addressed the Board

Mayor Scott P. Strauss requested a motion to close the Public Meeting at 8:12 PM.

Motioned by Trustee Lawrence A. Werther
Seconded by Trustee Paul A. Pereira

Vote:

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

No

Abstain