Minutes - Board Meeting 10/03/2012

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Mineola held Wednesday October 3, 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

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*
Gary Simone, *Patch .com*

Sunshine Observers: 13 Observers

Mayor Scott P. Strauss called the Work Session to order at 6:45 PM

Mayor Scott P. Strauss announced that Trustee George R. Durham would not be present during the meeting.

Resolution No. 259-12

Resolved to approve bills and payroll.

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

Vote:

Yes	No	Abstain
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Paul A. Pereira		

Resolution No. 260-12

Resolved to approve the minutes from the meetings of the Board of Trustees of September 5, 2012, September 12, 2012 and September 19, 2012.

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

Vote:

Yes	No	Abstain
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Paul A. Pereira		

Village Clerk Joseph R. Scalero announced that the Village tax assessors will hold Saturday office hours at Village Hall on October 20, 2012, November 3, 2012, November 17, 2012, and December 8, 2012, from 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM for any senior resident having questions regarding their Senior Citizen Tax Exemption and any seniors wishing to apply for an exemption.

Superintendent of Public Works Thomas J. Rini announced that the New York State Department of Transportation will begin the repaving of Jericho Turnpike on Monday October 8, 2012, from 8:00 pm - 6:00 am and stated that the road will be closed in sections to minimize the traffic disruptions.

Superintendent Rini stated that he received bids from three companies for the Water Departments' new Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition System (SCADA) and is currently reviewing their qualifications. Superintendent Rini further stated that he received nine bids for the Bruce Terrace Flood Mitigation Project and is currently reviewing the qualifications of the apparent low bidder.

Superintendent of Buildings Daniel B. Whalen stated that the Winthrop Research Center project has begun, commented that the majority of the work will be done at night, stated that the transfer of overhead utilities to underground vaults is proceeding, and that demolition will start shortly. Superintendent Whalen presented updates on the Arlington Avenue and Clinton Avenue home projects and also presented a monthly financial report for September 2012.

Village Attorney John M. Spellman recommended the following resolution:

Resolution No. 261-12

Resolved to authorize the Mayor to enter into an Inter-Municipal Land Use License Agreement between the Village of Mineola and the Town of North Hempstead as previously agreed to, in order to proceed with the Bruce Terrace Flood Mitigation project.

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

Vote:

Yes	**No**	**Abstain**
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Paul A. Pereira		

Bill Green, President of the Mineola Chamber of Commerce, with members Steve Ford and Tony Lubrano, gave a report on the Mineola Street Fair and thanked the village for its assistance in making the event so successful.

Mayor Scott P. Strauss requested a motion to close the Work Session at 7:00 PM.

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

Vote:

Yes	**No**	**Abstain**
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Paul A. Pereira		

Mayor Scott P. Strauss called the Public Meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

PRESENT: Mayor Scott P. Strauss
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther
Trustee Paul S. Cusato
Trustee Paul A. Pereira

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

Press Observer: Rich Forestano, *Mineola American*
Rich Tedesco, *Williston Times*
Scott Eidler, *Newsday*
Gary Simone, *Patch .com*

Sunshine Observers: 23 Observers

Mayor Scott P. Strauss stated that he attended the Chamber of Commerce Street Fair and thanked the Chamber of Commerce and all those that helped make the fair a success. Mayor Strauss reported that he was interviewed by the Webelo scouts as part of their citizenship badge requirement ; stated that the repaving of Jericho Turnpike will begin October 8 and suggested that residents drive cautiously during the repaving project as well as when driving downtown near the Winthrop Research Center project. Mayor Strauss announced that he attended the Mineola Homecoming Parade congratulating the Homecoming Princess and King for a great job, and also attended the ribbon cutting at Revolution Fitness. Mayor Strauss reminded residents that the village website is up and running and encouraged everyone to take advantage and sign up for E-Notices.

Trustee Lawrence A. Werther congratulated everyone involved in the Street Fair commenting that it was an extraordinary event and a success due to the hard work of many people. Trustee Werther thanked Tony Lubrano and Harry Zopiti for hosting a fundraiser for the Michael J. Fox Parkinson's Foundation and reminded residents that he will be hosting another fundraiser in May for Leukemia and Lymphoma. Trustee Werther extended his condolences to the families of Rosemary Martone and Alice Winters.

Trustee Paul S. Cusato also thanked those that were involved in making the Chamber of Commerce Street Fair such a great event; stated that he attended Tony Lubrano's fundraiser for the Michael J. Fox Foundation commenting how great it was, and thanked Tony Lubrano for his generosity.

Trustee Paul A. Pereira congratulated the Chamber of Commerce on the outstanding success of the street fair; reiterated the announcement regarding the repaving of Jericho Turnpike and encouraged residents to use the Village's website to register for email alerts regarding projects like the repaving of Jericho Turnpike, holiday sanitation schedules, etc.

Mineola Fire Department 1st Assistant Chief Jeffery Clark reminded everyone that October is Fire Prevention Month, and they should change the batteries in smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors and/or replace them if they are over five years old.

4 Speakers addressed the Board

Mayor Scott P. Strauss requested a motion to close the Public Meeting at 8:05PM.

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

Vote:

Yes	**No**	**Abstain**
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee George R. Durham		