Minutes - Board Meeting 12/5/2012

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Mineola held Wednesday, December 5, 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
Press Observer:	Rich Tedesco, *Williston Times* Scott Eidler, *Newsday* Geoffrey Walter, *Patch .com*
Sunshine Observers:	19 Observers

Mayor Scott P. Strauss called the Work Session to order at 6:40 PM

Resolution No. 284-12

Resolved to approve bills and payroll.

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		
Trustee George R. Durham		

Resolution No. 285-12

Resolved to approve the minutes from the meetings of the Board of Trustees of November 7, 2012, and November 14, 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		
Trustee George R. Durham		

Resolution No. 286-12

Resolved to approve a request by the Mineola Athletic Association for the use of the Community Center auditorium for its Soccer, Baseball and Softball practice and clinics on Saturdays and Sundays from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM January 5, 2013 – April 14, 2013 and Monday and Tuesday from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM January 7, 2013 - April 16, 2013.

Motioned by Trustee George R. Durham
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		

Resolution No. 287-12

Resolved to approve retaining Standard Valuation Services and Michael Haberman Associates, Inc. to adjust and update the 2012 Village Assessment Roll at a cost of $32,000.00.

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		
Trustee George R. Durham		

Resolution No. 288-12

Resolved to approve a request of Corpus Christi Church to use village streets for a Devotional Procession on Wednesday December 12, 2012 from approximately 7:15 PM – 7:30PM utilizing the following route:

Searing Avenue parking lot
Across from Corpus Christi School building to
Searing Avenue West to
North on Willis to Garfield West to
Corpus Christi Church

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

Vote:

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

Village Clerk Joseph R. Scalero encouraged residents that haven't signed up for email notifications on the village website to please do and spoke about the advantages of receiving these emails.

Resolution No. 289-12

Resolved to authorize the contract award for the Bruce Terrace Drainage Improvements Project:

Low Bidder: Roadwork Ahead
Bid Price: $ 1,236,188.50
Engineers: Dvirka & Bartilucci

Motioned by Trustee George R. Durham
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		
Trustee George R. Durham		

Resolution No. 290-12

Resolved to authorize the engineering services contract with Dvirka & Bartilucci Engineers and Architects for handicap accessibility improvements and repairs to the Wilson Park bathroom and concession building.

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

Resolution No. 291-12

Resolved to authorize the contract award for the Loading and Hauling Services Bid for the removal of storm debris related to Hurricane Sandy to the lowest bidder, New York Dirt Contracting Corp., based upon their low bid prices for bid Item No. 1 – $148.59/hr. and Item No. 2 - $ 158.59/hr.

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		
Trustee George R. Durham		

Superintendent of Public Works Thomas J. Rini presented an update on Hurricane Sandy clean-up, commenting that as of today there were 450 trees removed; and stated that the road reconstruction project for Third Avenue, Harrison Avenue, and Lincoln Avenue has been completed. Superintendent Rini stated that next week he will be attending a kick-off meeting with FEMA and with Village of Mineola's insurance carrier, discussing the scope of damages the Village incurred from the storm.

Mayor Scott P. Strauss requested a motion to go into Executive Session at 7:15 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		
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:

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

Resolution No. 292-12

Resolved to approve a salary increase of $5,000 to the Water and Sewer Department Supervisor Gary Tuthill effective retroactively from August 15, 2012, having successfully completed a six-month probationary period.

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

Mayor Scott P. Strauss requested a motion to close the Work Session at 7:45 PM.

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

Mayor Scott P. Strauss called the Public Meeting to order at 7:45 PM.

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

Press Observer:
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Scott Eidler, *Newsday*
Geoffrey Walter, *Patch .com*

Sunshine Observers: 19 Observers

Mayor Scott P. Strauss stated that he had completed another round of Community Forums and commented that he will continue to have these informal meetings throughout the year; reminded residents to subscribe to email notifications on the village's website for the latest news and announcements; and announced that the Mineola Fire Department is starting "Operation Santa". Mayor Strauss complimented Superintendent of Public Works Tom Rini and his staff for their continuing efforts in cleaning up from previous storms and in decorating the village for the holidays. Mayor Strauss congratulated Chris Gavin on becoming the next Boy Scouts Troop 45 Eagle Scout and thanked Steve Grosskoft for his leadership as Scout Master; and congratulated Chief Joseph Pratt and his wife Anne Marie on the birth of their first son. Mayor Strauss reminded residents of the village snow emergency regulation requiring them to remove cars from village streets whenever 2 inches or more of snow falls, and commented that tickets will be issued to cars parked on the village streets during any snow emergency, in order to facilitate snow removal. Mayor Strauss reminded residents of the annual village tree lighting event on Friday December 7 at 7:00 PM; and wished John DaVanzo a happy 91st Birthday. Mayor Strauss congratulated Ray Vaz on receiving long overdue medals earned during his service during WWII. Mayor Strauss wished residents a Happy Hanukkah.

Trustee Lawrence A. Werther announced that he attended the Mineola Police Activity League (P.A.L) football dinner and commented that it was a great event. Trustee Werther congratulated Chief Pratt and his wife on the birth of their son; thanked the Mineola Fire Department for its "Operation Santa"; and wished all residents a Merry Christmas.

Trustee Paul S. Cusato reminded residents of the ongoing "Toys for Tots" program; thanked the Mineola Fire Department for its efforts supporting devastated South Shore communities; congratulated Chief Pratt and his wife on the birth of their son; and wished everyone a Happy Hanukkah.

Trustee Paul A. Pereira thanked the Mineola Junior Fire Department for the Pancake Breakfast they held to raise money for Hurricane Sandy relief efforts; congratulated Ray Vaz on receiving medals he earned through his service during WWII; wished former Village Trustee John DaVanzo a happy 91st birthday; and wished residents a Happy Hanukkah and a Merry Christmas.

Trustee George R. Durham thanked the Mineola Junior Fire Department for their efforts in hurricane relief and especially for the Pancake Breakfast; congratulated Chief Pratt and his wife; reminded residents of the holiday tree lighting on Friday December 7 at 7:00PM and of the Mineola Athletic Association (MAA) 2nd Christmas tree sale and requested residents to support them. Trustee Durham wished everyone a Happy Hanukkah and a Merry Christmas.

4 Speakers addressed the Board

Mayor Scott P. Strauss requested a motion to close the Public Meeting at 8:20PM.

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

Vote:

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