Minutes - Board Meeting 01/22/2014

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Mineola held Wednesday, January 22, 2014 at Village Hall, 155 Washington Avenue, Mineola, New York 11501.

PRESENT:	Mayor Scott P. Strauss Trustee Paul S. Cusato Trustee George R. Durham Trustee Dennis J. Walsh
ALSO PRESENT:	Village Attorney John M. Spellman Village Clerk Joseph R. Scalero Deputy Village Clerk Cora T. Kelly Village Treasurer Giacomo A. Ciccone
Press Observer:	*Mineola American* *Williston Times* *Patch .com*
Sunshine Observers:	7 Observers

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

Resolution No. 11-14

Resolved to approve bills and payroll.

Motioned by Trustee Paul S. Cusato
Seconded by Trustee George R. Durham

Vote:

Yes	No	Abstain
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee George R. Durham		
Trustee Dennis J. Walsh		

Resolution No. 12-14

Resolved to approve a request by The Italian American Civic Association of Mineola, New York, Inc. for the use of a general purpose on the following dates for its general membership meetings from 8:00 PM – 9:30 PM:

February 26, 2014	April 23, 2014
March 26, 2014	May 28, 2014

Motioned by Trustee Dennis J. Walsh
Seconded by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Vote:

Yes	No	Abstain
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee George R. Durham		
Trustee Dennis J. Walsh		

Resolution No. 13-14

Resolved to approve a request by the Mineola Athletic Association (MAA) to schedule its Opening Day Parade for Saturday April 5, 2014 starting at Jackson Avenue School at 10:00 AM along the following route:

- West on Jackson Avenue
- North on Wardwell Road
- East on Jericho Turnpike to Mineola Blvd.
- South on Mineola Blvd. to Second Street
- East on Second Street to Willis Avenue
- North on Willis Avenue into the Little League Complex

Motioned by Trustee George R. Durham
Seconded by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Vote:

Yes	**No**	**Abstain**
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee George R. Durham		
Trustee Dennis J. Walsh		

Resolution No. 14-14

Resolved to approve a request by the Mineola Junior Fire Department for the use of the Community Center on Saturday, March 8, 2014 at 8:00 AM and Sunday, March 9, 2014 from 8:00AM – 5:00 PM for its 18th Pasta Dinner.

Motioned by Trustee Paul S. Cusato
Seconded by Trustee Dennis J. Walsh

Vote:

Yes	**No**	**Abstain**
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee George R. Durham		
Trustee Dennis J. Walsh		

Resolution No. 15-14

Resolved to approve a request by the Portuguese Heritage Society to conduct a Portugal Day Parade Sunday morning June 8, 2014 starting on South Sayville Road and Jackson Avenue along the following route:

- East on Jericho Turnpike to Roslyn Road
- Travel South to Westbury Avenue turn left,
- Travel East and turn right on Union Street,
- Ending at Wilson Park

And to request the use of Wilson Park parking lot and Field 1 and Field 2 for breakdown and post-parade activities.

Motioned by Trustee Dennis J. Walsh
Seconded by Trustee George R. Durham

Vote:

Yes	**No**	**Abstain**
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee George R. Durham		
Trustee Dennis J. Walsh		

Resolution No. 16-14

Resolved to authorize the installation of a "Handicap Reserved" parking space in front of 464 Jackson Avenue, Mineola.

Motioned by Trustee Paul S. Cusato
Seconded by Trustee George R. Durham

Vote:

Yes	**No**	**Abstain**
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee George R. Durham		
Trustee Dennis J. Walsh		

Resolution No. 17-14

Resolved to authorize July Auto Wrecking, Inc. as the authorized tow car agent for abandoned vehicles and as such waive the annual tow car license fees.

Motioned by Trustee George R. Durham
Seconded by Trustee Dennis J. Walsh

Vote:

Yes	**No**	**Abstain**
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee George R. Durham		
Trustee Dennis J. Walsh		

Resolution No. 18-14

Resolved to hire Cheyanne Rosenzweig for the position of Court Clerk in Justice Court with a starting salary in accordance with the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Motioned by Trustee Paul S. Cusato
Seconded by Trustee George R. Durham

Vote:

Yes	**No**	**Abstain**
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee George R. Durham		
Trustee Dennis J. Walsh		

Resolution No. 19-14

Resolved to hire Noelle Hines and Luigi Athan as part-time recreation employees in the Recreation Department with a starting salary of $8.00 per hour.

Motioned by Trustee George R. Durham
Seconded by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Vote:

Yes	**No**	**Abstain**
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee George R. Durham		
Trustee Dennis J. Walsh		

Village Clerk Joseph R. Scalero presented a December 2013 Justice Court report.

Resolution No. 20-14

Resolved to authorize a one-time lump-sum benefit payout of $37,787.64 from the Fire Service Award Fund to Mineola Fire Department Volunteer Firefighter, Steven J. Wagenblast, pursuant to the Length of Service Awards Program (LOSAP) effective January 1, 2014.
Motioned by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Seconded by Trustee Dennis J. Walsh

Vote:

Yes	**No**	**Abstain**
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee George R. Durham		
Trustee Dennis J. Walsh		

Resolution No. 21-14

Resolved to approve a request by the Mineola Fire Department for budget transfers in the amount of $9,641.55 between the following lines:

From:	(Contingency)	$9,541.55
To :	(Chief's Car)	$3,818.90
To :	(Turnout Gear)	$5,722.65
	Total To Be Transferred	$9,541.55
From:	(OSHA Medicals)	$ 100.00
To :	(Uniforms)	$ 100.00
	Total To Be Transferred	$ 100.00
	Grand Total Transferred:	$9,641.55

Motioned by Trustee Dennis J. Walsh
Seconded by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Vote:

Yes	**No**	**Abstain**
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee George R. Durham		
Trustee Dennis J. Walsh		

Resolution No. 22-14

Resolved to authorize the enrollment in the WEX fuel card program.

Motioned by Trustee Dennis J. Walsh
Seconded by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Vote:

Yes	**No**	**Abstain**
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee George R. Durham		
Trustee Dennis J. Walsh		

Village Attorney John M. Spellman recommended the following resolution:

Resolution No. 23-14

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 continue the Village's 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.

Adopted: January 22, 2014

Motioned by Trustee George R. Durham
Seconded by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Vote:

Yes	No	Abstain
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee George R. Durham		
Trustee Dennis J. Walsh		

Resolution No. 24-14

Resolved that the Board of Trustees adopts the standard work days and reporting requirements for certain titles of elected and appointed officials and that the resolution be posted for 30 days on the Village's bulletin board and website.

Motioned by Trustee Dennis J. Walsh
Seconded by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Vote:

Yes	No	Abstain
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee George R. Durham		
Trustee Dennis J. Walsh		

Mayor Scott P. Strauss requested a motion to close the Work Session at 6:55 PM.

Motioned by Trustee Dennis J. Walsh
Seconded by Trustee George R. Durham

Vote:

Yes	No	Abstain
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee George R. Durham		
Trustee Dennis J. Walsh		

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

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

Trustee George R. Durham
Trustee Dennis J. Walsh

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

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Sunshine Observers: 9 Observers

Mayor Scott P. Strauss stated that he attended a Kiwanis dinner honoring Luisa Castello-Filipe as Member of the Year and outgoing president Richard Forte and offered his congratulations. Mayor Strauss encouraged residents to support the Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast on Sunday February 2 from 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM. Mayor Strauss reported that Nassau County will be installing Red Light Cameras at Willis Avenue and Jericho Turnpike and at Mineola Boulevard and Jericho Turnpike commenting that the Village of Mineola does not control these cameras nor will the village receive any of the fines as revenue. Mayor Strauss thanked residents for their cooperation during the snowstorm; complimented the Department of Public Works employees for their dedication and diligence in clearing the streets; and thanked the Mineola Fire Department and Mineola Volunteer Ambulance Corp for maintaining full crews on standby during the snow emergency.

Trustee Paul A. Pereira reminded residents to sign up for e-Notifications on our village website; thanked residents for complying with parking regulations during the recent snowstorm which allowed the Department of Public Works to clear the streets, and reiterated that the village has no control and receives no benefit from the Red Light Cameras which are soon to be installed by Nassau County.

Trustee Paul S. Cusato thanked the Department of Public Works for a fine job clearing village streets of snow; thanked both the Mineola Fire Department and Mineola Volunteer Ambulance Corp for their standby crews; reminded residents to support the Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast on Sunday February 2 and reminded residents of the Mineola Junior Fire Department Pasta Dinner Sunday March 9.

Trustee George R. Durham thanked the Department of Public Works for their efforts in clearing snow; thanked the Mineola Fire Department and Mineola Volunteer Ambulance Corp for their dedication and thanked Mineola resident Ken Solosky for providing AED/CPR training to the Mineola Athletic Association's parents and coaches.

Trustee Dennis Walsh reported on the demolition of 1/3 of 250 Old Country Road; commented on a recent court decision upholding the MTA Payroll Tax; discussed Governor Andrew Cuomo's proposed freeze on property taxes, and announced the passing of Long Island economist Dr. Pearl Kamer.

1 Speaker addressed the Board

Mayor Scott P. Strauss requested a motion to close the Public Meeting at 8:00 PM.

Motioned by Trustee Dennis J. Walsh
Seconded by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Vote:

Yes	**No**	**Abstain**
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee George R. Durham		
Trustee Dennis J. Walsh		