Minutes - Board Meeting 12/04/2013

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Mineola held Wednesday, December 4, 2013 at Village Hall, 155 Washington Avenue, Mineola, New York 11501.

PRESENT:	Mayor Scott P. Strauss Trustee Paul S. Cusato Trustee Paul A. Pereira Trustee George R. Durham Trustee Dennis J. Walsh
ALSO PRESENT:	John M. Spellman Village Attorney Village Clerk Joseph R. Scalero Deputy Village Clerk Cora T. Kelly Village Treasurer Giacomo A. Ciccone Superintendent of Buildings Daniel B. Whalen
Press Observers:	*Patch.com*
Sunshine Observers:	6 Observers

Mayor Scott P. Strauss called the Work Session to order at 6:30 PM

Resolution No. 289-13

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 Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee George R. Durham		
Trustee Dennis J. Walsh		

Resolution No. 290-13

Resolved to approve the minutes from the meetings of the Board of Trustees of November 6, 2013, November 13, 2013 and November 20, 2013.

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

Vote:

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

Resolution No. 291-13

Resolved to approve a request by the Girl Scout Troop 1154 for the use of a general purpose room on December 17, 2013 from 3:30 PM to 5:00 PM for their holiday party.

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

Vote:

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

Resolution No. 292-13

Resolved to post for a Court Clerk position within the Justice Court.

Motioned by Trustee Dennis J. Walsh
Seconded by Trustee Paul A. Pereira

Vote:

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

Resolution No. 293-13

Resolved to authorize a one-time lump-sum benefit payout of $28,851.60 from the Fire Service Award Fund to Mineola Fire Department Volunteer Firefighter, Louis Bertram, pursuant to the Length of Service Awards Program (LOSAP) effective January 1, 2014.

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

Vote:

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

Resolution No. 294-13

Resolved to approve a request by the Mineola Fire Department for a budget transfer in the amount of $500.00 between the following lines:

From:	(Computers)	$500.00
To :	(Badges & Plaques)	$500.00
	Total transfer:	$500.00

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

Vote:

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

Superintendent of Buildings Daniel B. Whalen gave an updated report on the 250 Old Country Road construction and presented a department financial report for November 2013.

Mayor Scott P. Strauss requested a motion to close the Work Session at 6:40 PM.

Motioned by Trustee Paul A. Pereira
Seconded by Trustee Dennis J. Walsh

Vote:

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

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

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

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

Press Observer: *Patch.com*

Sunshine Observers: 21 Observers

Mayor Scott P. Strauss presented a Citation from the office of County Executive Ed Mangano to Bill Urianek in recognition of his significant contributions to the betterment of our residents and, in particular, his efforts to assist our war veterans.

Mayor Scott P. Strauss reported on Senior Appreciation Day thanking those that made it possible; the Mineola Junior Fire Department Benefit Pancake fundraising for the victims of the typhoon in the Philippines on December 1, commenting how successful it was; and reminded residents of the annual Tree Lighting Ceremony on December 6 at 7:00 PM. Mayor Strauss thanked Superintendent of Public Works Tom Rini and his staff for the Holiday lights throughout the village; stated that Mineola Fire Department "Operation Santa" program is now officially started, and encouraged residents with children to call 746-6583 to set-up a visit from Santa. Mayor Strauss reminded residents to sign up for e-mail and text notifications on the village website and to remember that cars need to be removed from village streets in the event of two or more inches of snow to avoid being ticketed.

Trustee Paul A. Pereira commented that the Mineola Junior Fire Department fundraising breakfast for the victims of the typhoon in the Pillippines was very impressive and successful. Trustee Pereira encouraged residents to come to the annual village tree lighting ceremony on December 6 at 7:00 PM and wished everyone a happy holiday.

Trustee Paul S. Cusato stated that the Mineola Junior Fire Department fundraising breakfast was a great event and reminded residents that the "Toys for Tots" program has started with collection boxes at four locations – Village Hall, Mineola Fire Department Headquarters, Mineola Fire Department at Elm Place and Mineola Memorial Library and encouraged residents to particiate in this program. Trustee Cusato requested residents with children to call for "Operation Santa" to visit them.

Trustee George R. Durham reported on Senior Appreciation Day thanking the Mineola businesses that donated to this event making it a nice day for our seniors; on the Winthrop University Hospital's tree lighting; and on the Junior Fire Department fundraising benefit breakfast. Trustee Durham mentioned that the Mineola Choral Society and Nassau Pops will be at Chaminade High School on December 15 for a Christmas Concert and encouraged residents to attend.

Trustee Dennis J. Walsh commented on Senior Appreciation Day and thanked those involved for making it such a success. Trustee Walsh reflected on the Mineola Master Plan and how it's coming into play with the various different projects that are underway and how these projects interact with and affect future projects within the village.

3 Speakers addressed the Board

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

Motioned by Trustee Paul A. Pereira
Seconded by Trustee Dennis J. Walsh
Vote:

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