

**Minutes - Board Meeting 09/04/2013**

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Mineola held Wednesday, September 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 Public Works Thomas J. Rini  
Superintendent of Buildings Daniel B. Whalen

**Press Observers:** *Mineola American*  
*Williston Times*  
*Patch.com*

**Sunshine Observers:** 13 Observers

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

**Resolution No. 232-13**

Resolved to approve bills and payroll.

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

<b>Vote:</b>		
<b><u>Yes</u></b>	<b><u>No</u></b>	<b><u>Abstain</u></b>
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee George R. Durham		
Trustee Dennis J. Walsh		

**Resolution No. 233-13**

Resolved to approve the minutes from the meetings of the Board of Trustees of August 7, 2013 and August 14, 2013, as amended.

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

<b>Vote:</b>		
<b><u>Yes</u></b>	<b><u>No</u></b>	<b><u>Abstain</u></b>
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee George R. Durham		
Trustee Dennis J. Walsh		

## Resolution No. 234-13

Resolved to approve a request by the Mineola 50+ Basketball group for use of the Community Center auditorium basketball courts on Monday's and Friday's from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM, when available.

Motioned by Trustee Paul A. Pereira  
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. 235-13**

Resolved to accept the resignations of Deputy Treasurer Donna Axelson and approve a lump-sum separation payout of \$2,634.43 for her unused accumulated time in accordance with the adopted Village Policy.

Motioned by Trustee Paul A. Pereira  
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

**Resolution No. 236-13**

Resolved to approve a request to post for the position of Deputy Treasurer.

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

**Resolution No. 237-13**

Resolved to authorize the award of a two-year (9/1/13 – 8/31/15) HVAC Maintenance Contract to Dynaire Service as the lowest bidder:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Library Fund</u>	<u>Total Cost Each Year</u>
Dynaire Service	\$14,350.00	\$3,350.00	\$17,700.00
Comfort Tech	\$17,300.00	\$3,950.00	\$21,250.00
Breathe Easy of N.Y.	\$18,200.00	\$4,450.00	\$22,650.00

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. 238-13**

Resolved to authorize the purchase a new Vermeer BC1500 brush chipper from the NJPA Landscape Equipment Contract No. 081209-VRM:

Cost: \$ 38,977.00  
Supplying Dealer: Vermeer North Atlantic

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. 239-13**

Resolved to authorize the installation of “Handicap Reserved” parking space in front of 11 Pembroke Drive.

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

**Resolution No. 240-13**

Resolved to authorize the Superintendent of Public Works and Deputy Superintendent of Public Works to attend the NYCOM Public Works Training School in Lake Placid, New York, October 20 – October 24, 2013.

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

*Superintendent of Public Works Thomas J. Rini gave progress reports on the Emory Road Park construction and the Bruce Terrace Flood Mitigation project.*

*Superintendent of Buildings Daniel B. Whalen gave an updated report on the Winthrop University Hospital Research Center construction, the Winston and Churchill projects, 250 Old Country Road project and the Chaminade bleacher expansion. Superintendent of Buildings Daniel B. Whalen presented a department financial report for August 2013.*

*Village Attorney John M. Spellman recommended the following resolution:*

**Resolution No. 241-13**

Resolved to authorize Standard Valuation Services to perform Real Property Appraisal and Consulting services for the evaluation of the “air rights” lease and fair rental value on the parking garage serving 120 Mineola Boulevard at a cost of \$4,800.00.

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 reminded residents of the Mineola Chamber of Commerce Street Fair on Sunday September 8, 2013 from 11:00 AM – 6:00 PM and the 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony on September 11, 2013 in Mineola Memorial Park at 7:00 PM.*

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

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

**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:**

John M. Spellman Village Attorney  
Village Clerk Joseph R. Scalero  
Deputy Village Clerk Cora T. Kelly  
Superintendent of Public Works Thomas J. Rini

**Press Observer:**

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**Sunshine Observers:**

19 Observers

Mayor Scott P. Strauss wished residents celebrating Rosh Hashanah a Happy and Healthy New Year; reported that he attended a ribbon cutting ceremony for the opening of American Community Bank on Jericho Turnpike and wished them success; announced the pool season is has ended and thanked Department of Public Works Superintendent Tom Rini and the pool staff for another successful year. Mayor Strauss stated that the Emory Park project is temporarily delayed due to backordered supplies, but anticipates it will be completed shortly. Mayor Strauss complimented the Mineola Volunteer Ambulance Corp and congratulated several of their members for receiving Honorable Mention awards from the National Regional Emergency Medical Service Council; reminded residents of the Mineola Street Fair on Sunday September 8 from 11:00 AM – 6:00 PM and the 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony at Mineola Memorial Park on Wednesday September 11 at 7:00 PM. Mayor Strauss also reminded residents of a Public Meeting on Wednesday September 18 at 6:30 pm on the proposed revision of election terms for the Board of Trustees and Mayor and encouraged all to attend.

Trustee Paul A. Pereira wished those celebrating Rosh Hashanah a Happy New Year and reiterated that the 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony will begin promptly at 7:00 pm. Trustee Pereira announced that on September 17 Mayor Strauss will be delivering his State of the Village Address sponsored by the Mineola Chamber of Commerce at Village Hall; reported on the Mineola High School Homecoming Parade on September 21, and Employee Appreciation Day.

Trustee Paul S. Cusato mentioned stopping by the Friends of the Mineola Library booth while at the Mineola Street Fair stating it's a great organization that helps benefit the Mineola Library; congratulated East Williston Mayor Dave Tanner on his election as President of the Nassau County Village Officials Association, and congratulated outgoing President and current Mayor of Great Neck Ralph Kreitzman for a job well done. Trustee Cusato stated that the Mineola High School annual New York reunion for alumni celebrating 25 years or more, will be held Saturday October 12, and expressed his condolences to the family of Anthony Kaider.

Trustee George R. Durham wished Happy New Years to residents celebrating Rosh Hashanah; thanked the pool staff for a job well done; reported on the Boys Scouts of America Troop 45 swimming merit badge program held at the John S. DaVanzo Community Pool and thanked Assistant Scout Master George Becker and all those involved in making this program a success.

Trustee Dennis J. Walsh reported on a Hearing & Exposition held August 21, 2013 at the "Yes We Can" Center co-sponsored by the Town of North Hempstead, Hofstra University and North Shore University/Long Island Jewish Medical Center on "Aging at home with the aid of technology"; and reported on a New York State hearing at the Theodore Roosevelt Building August 27 where Senator Jack Martins spoke about municipalities in the State running out of money.

*2 Speakers addressed the Board*

**Mayor Scott P. Strauss requested a motion to close the Public Meeting at 8:10 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