

**Minutes - Board Meeting 04/01/2020**

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Mineola held Wednesday, April 1, 2020 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:** Village Attorney John P. Gibbons, Jr.  
Village Clerk Joseph R. Scalero  
Deputy Village Clerk Linda Pardo  
Village Treasurer Giacomo Ciccone  
Superintendent of Public Works Thomas J. Rini

**Press Observer:** None

**Sunshine Observers:** None

**Mayor Scott P. Strauss called the Work Session to order at 5:45 PM.**

*Mayor Scott P. Strauss made a brief statement prior to the Work Session which was closed to the public due to the COVID-19 pandemic, but was televised. Mayor Strauss stated that the Village has adjusted operations by scaling back operations, reducing staff, and adjusting the sanitation schedule. He reported that water, sewer replacement, and well projects are all moving forward and that the Mineola Volunteer Fire Department, Mineola Volunteer Ambulance Corps, and Mineola Auxiliary Police Department continue to keep residents safe. Mayor Strauss reminded residents that Village Hall and Mineola Memorial Library are closed to the public, so all Village business must be done by mail, email or fax. He stated that most parking regulations have been suspended, and that playgrounds are closed, but the parks remain open for now. He reminded residents to patronize local restaurants who offer takeout, and stated that churches and synagogues are also struggling. He reported that the scheduled hearings for April 8 will proceed. He stated that residents who would like to help can donate blood at the New York Blood Center in Lake Success. Mayor Strauss commended the Mineola Fire Department and surrounding fire departments who fought a devastating fire two weeks ago in our downtown, and reminded residents to look out for and offer assistance to senior citizens.*

**Resolution No. 73-20**

Resolved to approve bills and payroll.

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

**Vote:**

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

**Resolution No. 74-20**

Resolved to approve the membership of the following candidates as recommended by the Mineola Fire Department, effective March 17, 2020:

Nicholas D’Imperio	Company 2
David Mulder	Company 2
Vincent Pomara	Company 2
Jonathan Salcedo	Company 1

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. 75-20**

Resolved to authorize a contract for a one-year license for CodeRED, an emergency notification system, for \$7,750.

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. 76-20**

Resolved to approve a request by Michael Rusciano to execute the employee health benefit buy-back option pursuant to the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

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

*A Budget Work Session was conducted. Village Treasurer Giacomo Ciccone presented highlights of the FY 2020/21 Tentative Budget. Mayor Scott P. Strauss announced that there will be a Public Hearing on the proposed budget on Wednesday April 8, 2020.*

**Resolution No. 77-20**

Resolved to adopt changes to the FY 2020-2021 Tentative Budget.

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

**Vote:**

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

**Resolution No. 78-20**

Resolved to ratify the rental of 2 - 21,000 gallon Frac Tanks for the mobilization and demobilization, rental and the storage and disposal of waste water generated from the Advanced Oxidation Process Pilot Study testing at Well #4.

Below please find three proposals:

Innovative Recycling Technologies	\$ 29,260.00
Miller Environmental	\$ 40,537.52
Clean Harbors	\$ 258,022.87

Recommend authorization to the proposal received from Innovative Recycling Technologies

Engineers: D&B Engineers & Architects, P.C.

Funding Source: 2019/2020 Water Fund Budget and/or the Water Fund Unreserved Fund Balance

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

**Vote:**

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

**Resolution No. 79-20**

Resolved to authorize the removal of the “Handicap Reserved” parking space in front of 34 Plymouth Avenue, Mineola.

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. 80-20**

Resolved to accept the resignation of Sanitation Division Laborer Dominick Lananna and authorize the benefit time payout in accordance with the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

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. 81-20**

Resolved to approve the rescheduled Village Tax Lien Sale in accordance with New York State Real Property Tax Law for May 13, 2020.

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 requested a motion to close the Work Session at 6:00 PM.**

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