

**Minutes - Board Meeting 09/04/2019**

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Mineola held Wednesday, September 4, 2019 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  
Superintendent of Buildings Daniel B. Whalen

**Press Observer:** *Williston Times*

**Sunshine Observers:** 9 Observers

**Mayor Scott P. Strauss called the Work Session to order at 6:50 PM.**

*Presentation by Library Director Charles Sleafy on upcoming events and discussion of services offered at Mineola Memorial Library.*

**Resolution No. 208-19**

Resolved to approve bills and payroll.

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

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| <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. 209-19**

Resolved to approve the minutes of the meetings of the Board of Trustees from August 7 and August 14, 2019.

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. 210-19**

Resolved to authorize the Village Clerk to attend the NYCOM Fall Training School in Saratoga, New York September 16-20, 2019.

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. 211-19**

Resolved to approve a request by the Mineola Junior Fire Department for the use of the Village Hall Community Center to conduct its Pasta Dinner on Saturday March 7, 2020 and Sunday March 8 beginning at 8:00 am.

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. 212-19**

Resolved to approve a request by Corpus Christi Church for the use of the Memorial Park Amphitheater Sunday September 29 from 9:00 am-12:00 noon to hold an outdoor Mass. (Rain date October 6).

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. 213-19**

Resolved to approve a request by Cub Scout Pack 246 for the use of the Village Hall Community Center gymnasium and a general purpose room Friday September 13, 2019 at 6:00 PM – 9:30 PM to hold a Pack Night Meeting and recruitment event.

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. 214-19**

Resolved to approve a request by Girl Scout Troop 1875 for the use of a Community Center general purpose room Saturdays September 28, October 12, October 26, November 16, December 14, January 11, January 25, February 8, February 22, March 21, April 4, April 18, May 9, and May 30.

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

*Village Clerk Joseph R. Scalero announced that the Village of Mineola website has been updated, providing easier navigation, and is now optimized for mobile devices and ADA compliant.*

**Resolution No. 215-19**

Resolved to approve the following payments in the amount of \$26,583.85 from the Development Incentive Bonus Funds in FY 2019 - 2020:

| VENDOR                  | AMOUNT      | PROJECT             |
|-------------------------|-------------|---------------------|
| Roland's Electric, Inc. | \$26,583.85 | Emergency Generator |

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

**Resolution No. 216-19**

Resolved to approve the following payments in the amount of \$22,320.97 from the Water Reserve Fund in FY 2019-2020:

| VENDOR                 | AMOUNT      | PROJECT |
|------------------------|-------------|---------|
| Dvirka & Bartilucci    | \$1,608.55  | Well #1 |
| Dvirka & Bartilucci    | \$4,799.92  | Well #1 |
| Philip Ross Industries | \$15,912.50 | Well #1 |

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. 217-19**

RESOLVED, that the Village of Mineola is authorized to participate in the National Cooperative Purchasing Alliance (NCPA), a purchasing cooperative pursuant to General Municipal Law Section 103(16).

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. 218-19**

Resolved to purchase the following Landscape Structures playground equipment: 3 free standing play structure panels, 4 supports posts, 1 handicap accessible molded bucket swing seat and related hardware through the National Cooperative Purchasing Alliance.

Vendor: Site Specialists, Ltd.  
Cost: \$11,247.24  
Funding Source: 2019/2020 General Fund Budget and/or the General Fund  
Unreserved Fund Balance

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

**Vote:**  

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

**Resolution No. 219-19**

Resolved to authorize the posting of two Tree Pruner positions in the Highway Division.

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

**Vote:**  

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

**Resolution No. 220-19**

Resolved to authorize the posting of two Laborer positions in the Highway Division.

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

**Vote:**  

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

**Resolution No. 221-19**

Resolved to authorize the posting of two Laborer positions in the Parks Division.

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

**Vote:**

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

*Superintendent of Buildings Daniel B. Whalen presented a monthly report of Department activities for August 2019 and gave an update on ongoing projects.*

*Mayor Scott P. Strauss invited Tony Lubrano to speak about upcoming Chamber of Commerce events and a private charity event.*

**Mayor Scott P. Strauss requested a motion to close the Work Session at 7:20 PM.**

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

**Vote:**

| <u><b>Yes</b></u>        | <u><b>No</b></u> | <u><b>Abstain</b></u> |
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| Trustee Paul A. Pereira  |                  |                       |
| Trustee George R. Durham |                  |                       |
| Trustee Dennis J. Walsh  |                  |                       |

**Mayor Scott P. Strauss called the Public Meeting to order at 7:40 PM.**

**PRESENT:**

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

**ALSO PRESENT:**

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| Village Attorney John P. Gibbons, Jr.         |
| Village Clerk Joseph R. Scalero               |
| Deputy Village Clerk Linda Pardo              |
| Superintendent of Public Works Thomas J. Rini |

**Press Observer:**

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| <i>Mineola American</i> |
| <i>Williston Times</i>  |

**Sunshine Observers:**

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| 7 Observers |
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Mayor Scott P. Strauss discussed the ongoing water lawsuit, thanked the pool staff for another great summer season, encouraged residents to attend the 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony in Memorial Park; reminded residents of several upcoming events, including the Chamber of Commerce “Movie in the Park” on September 13, the final show of the Concert in the Park series, *Shining Star*, on September 14, and the Chamber of Commerce Street Fair on September 22.

Trustee Paul A. Pereira reminded residents that school is open and to drive safely; announced that the Mineola High School Homecoming is September 21, the Mineola Street Fair is September 22, and the “Tunnel to Towers” event is September 29.

Trustee Paul S. Cusato commented that it was nice to still see some block parties around the Village; reported that Girl Scout Troop 1735 car wash fundraiser was a huge success, and thanked Mineola Fire Department Chief Robert Connolly for his assistance with the water connection, and announced that the Mineola Historical Society Open House is September 29.

Trustee George R. Durham reminded residents that school is open and to be mindful of buses.

Trustee Dennis J. Walsh announced that Corpus Christi Church will hold an outdoor mass September 29; stated that Mayor Strauss will deliver an annual village update at the September 17 Chamber of Commerce meeting; gave an update on the Harrison Avenue garage construction, and thanked Girl Scout Sarah McGowan for her work on the handicap playground equipment project.

*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 A. Pereira

**Vote:**

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