Minutes - Board Meeting - 02/16/2011

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Mineola held Wednesday, February 16, 2011 at Village Hall, 155 Washington Avenue, Mineola, New York 11501.

PRESENT: Mayor Lawrence A. Werther

Trustee Paul S. Cusato Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy Trustee Paul A. Pereira Trustee Scott P. Strauss

ALSO PRESENT: Village Attorney, John M. Spellman

Village Clerk Joseph R. Scalero Village Treasurer Giacomo Ciccone

Press Observer: Rich Forestano, *Mineola American*

Rich Tedesco, Williston Times Geoffrey Walter, Patch .com

Sunshine Observers: 14 Observers

Mayor Lawrence A. Werther called the Public Hearing to order at 6:40 PM.

A Public Hearing was held at 6:40 PM at the Village Hall, 155 Washington Avenue, Mineola, New York, 11501 in order to receive public comment upon the following:

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUNDING 37th YEAR ALLOCATIONS:

\$175,000.00 - RESIDENTIAL REHABILITATION THROUGHOUT THE VILLAGE

\$ 75,000.00 - CODE ENFORCEMENT TO ENFORCE ILLEGAL HOUSING

\$280,000.00 - DOWNTOWN PARKING IMPROVEMENTS

\$ 25,000.00 - IMPROVE HANDICAP ACCESSIBILITY THROUGHOUT THE VILLAGE

No Speakers addressed the Board

Resolution No. 24-11

Resolved to approve the Community Development 37th Year funding allocations as presented:

Community Development Funding 37th Year Allocations:

\$175,000.00 – Residential Rehabilitation throughout the Village.

\$75,000.00 – Code Enforcement to enforce illegal housing.

\$280,000.00 – Downtown Parking Improvements

\$25,000.00 - To improve Handicapped Accessibility throughout the Village

Motioned by Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy Seconded by Trustee Paul A. Pereira

Vote:

Yes No Abstain

Mayor Lawrence A. Werther Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy

Trustee Paul A. Pereira

Trustee Scott P. Strauss

Mayor Lawrence A. Werther requested a motion to close the Public Hearing 6:50 PM.

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

Mayor Lawrence A. Werther Trustee Paul S. Cusato Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy Trustee Paul A. Pereira Trustee Scott P. Strauss

Mayor Lawrence A. Werther called the Work Session to order at 6:50PM.

PRESENT: Mayor Lawrence A. Werther

Trustee Paul S. Cusato Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy Trustee Paul A. Pereira Trustee Scott P. Strauss

ALSO PRESENT: Village Attorney John M. Spellman

Village Clerk Joseph R. Scalero Village Treasurer Giacomo Cicccone

Press Observer: Rich Forestano, *Mineola American*

Rich Tedesco, Williston Times Geoffrey Walter, Patch .com

Sunshine Observers: 19 Observers

Resolution No. 25-11

Resolved to approve bills and payroll.

Motioned by Trustee Paul S. Cusato Seconded by Trustee Scott A. Strauss

Vote:

Yes No Abstain

Mayor Lawrence A. Werther Trustee Paul S. Cusato Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy Trustee Paul A. Pereira Trustee Scott P. Strauss

Resolution No. 26-11

Resolved to approve the minutes from the meetings of the Board of Trustees of January 5, 2011 and January 19, 2011.

Motioned by Trustee Paul A. Pereira Seconded by Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy Vote:

Yes No Abstain

Mayor Lawrence A. Werther Trustee Paul S. Cusato Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy Trustee Paul A. Pereira Trustee Scott P. Strauss

Resolution No. 27-11

Resolved to approve a request for a 180-day extension of Building Permit #1863 issued to New York SMSA Limited Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless for the upgrade and maintenance work to existing Communication Facility.

Motioned by Trustee Paul S. Cusato Seconded by Trustee Scott P. Strauss

Vote:

Yes No Abstain

Mayor Lawrence A. Werther Trustee Paul S. Cusato Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy Trustee Paul A. Pereira Trustee Scott P. Strauss

Resolution No. 28-11

Resolved to approve a request for a 90-Day extension of Building Permit # 1851 issued for 184 Beebe Road.

Motioned by Trustee Scott P. Strauss Seconded by Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy

Vote:

Yes No Abstain

Mayor Lawrence A. Werther Trustee Paul S. Cusato Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy Trustee Paul A. Pereira Trustee Scott P. Strauss

Resolution No. 29-11

Resolved to approve a request by United Food and Commercial Workers International Union (UFCW) Local 342 for a one-day parking permit for a mobile blood drive unit at their union offices at 166 East Jericho Turnpike on Monday April 25, 2011 from 2:00 PM – 8:00 PM.

Motioned by Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy Seconded by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Vote:

Yes No Abstain

Mayor Lawrence A. Werther Trustee Paul S. Cusato Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy Trustee Paul A. Pereira Trustee Scott P. Strauss

Resolution No. 30-11

Resolved to approve a request by the Mineola Fire Department for departmental budget transfers in the amount of \$2,000.00 from the following lines:

From: (FOAM) \$1,000.00 To : (REPAIRS: EQUIPMENT) \$1,000.00

From: (COMMUNICATIONS) \$ 500.00

(COMPUTERS) \$ 500.00

TO: (RENTAL EQUIPMENT) \$1,000.00

Motioned by Trustee Paul A. Pereira Seconded by Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy

Vote:

Yes No Abstain

Mayor Lawrence A. Werther Trustee Paul S. Cusato Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy Trustee Paul A. Pereira Trustee Scott P. Strauss

Resolution No. 31-11

Resolved to approve the recommendation of the Mineola Volunteer Fire Department of the following new members:

Timothy Batjer Company 3
Christopher Goncalves Company 1
Michelle Robbins Company 2

Motioned by Trustee Scott P. Strauss Seconded by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Vote:

Yes No Abstain

Mayor Lawrence A. Werther Trustee Paul S. Cusato Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy Trustee Paul A. Pereira Trustee Scott P. Strauss

Village Clerk Joseph R. Scalero presented the January 2011 Justice Court report and announced that Monday February 21, 2011 Village Hall will be closed in observance of President's Day and stated that the holiday sanitation schedule will be in effect for the observance of President's Day.

Village Attorney John M. Spellman stated that there is a proposed settlement of litigation covering the liability for legal fees with regard to the Metro PCS LLS cell tower case and recommended settlement.

Resolution No. 31A-11

Resolved to approve settlement of Metro PCS LLS litigation concerning legal fees for the sum of \$5,000.00.

Motioned by Trustee Paul A. Pereira Seconded by Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy

Vote:

Yes No Abstain

Mayor Lawrence A. Werther Trustee Paul S. Cusato Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy Trustee Paul A. Pereira Trustee Scott P. Strauss Village Clerk Joseph R. Scalero announced that state enabling legislation had been signed into law by the Governor and the lever voting machines will be used for this year's village election.

Mayor Lawrence A. Werther requested a motion to close the Work Session at 7:10 PM.

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

Vote:

Yes No Abstain

Mayor Lawrence A. Werther Trustee Paul S. Cusato Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy Trustee Paul A. Pereira Trustee Scott P. Strauss

Mayor Lawrence A. Werther called the Public Meeting to order at 7:35 PM.

PRESENT: Mayor Lawrence A. Werther

Trustee Paul S. Cusato Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy Trustee Paul A. Pereira Trustee Scott P. Strauss

ALSO PRESENT: Village Attorney John M. Spellman

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Mayor Lawrence A. Werther stated that he met with the Mineola Athletic Association (MAA) and announced that the opening day parade will be held on April 9, 2011 at Wilson Park at 10:00 AM. Mayor Werther informed the Board of discussions with the Mineola Chamber of Commerce regarding the expansion of the annual Mineola Fair stating that a detailed proposal will follow. Mayor Werther announced that henceforth all applications for variances and/or Special Use Permits must be complete with all exhibits and submitted to the Superintendent of Buildings one week prior to any public hearing.

Trustee Paul S. Cusato congratulated the Kiwanis Club on its Pancake Breakfast and reminded everyone of the Mineola Fire Department Junior Firefighter's pasta dinner on March 13, 2011 from 12:00 PM – 5:00 PM.

Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy encouraged all residents to attend the MAA Little League parade on April 9, 2011 and extended his condolences to the Solosky family.

Trustee Paul A. Pereira announced that the Mineola High School wrestling team captured the division title for the second year in a row and congratulated Jessica Shi on being a National Merit finalist.

Trustee Scott A. Strauss congratulated the Kiwanis Club on its Pancake Breakfast and extended his condolences to the Solosky family.

5 Speakers addressed the Board

Mayor Lawrence A. Werther requested a motion to close the Public Hearing 8:20 PM.

Motioned by Trustee Paul A Pereira Seconded by Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy

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