Minutes - Board Meeting 09/02/2020

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Mineola held Wednesday, September 2, 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: Williston Times

Sunshine Observers: 2 Observers

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

Resolution No. 169-20

Resolved to approve bills and payroll.

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. 170-20

Resolved to approve the minutes of the meetings of the Board of Trustees from August 5 and August 12, 2020.

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. 171-20

Resolved to approve a request by the Mineola School District for the use of Wilson Park for a 7th grade picnic Friday June 18, 2021 from 9:00 am - 2:00 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

Resolution No. 172-20

Resolved to approve the hiring of Daniel Ramalhete as Parking Meter Servicer with a corresponding increase of \$4.80 per hour as posted in job opening and commensurate with his experience.

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. 173-20

Resolved to approve the following payment from the Development Incentive Bonus Funds in FY 2020-2021:

VENDOR AMOUNT PROJECT

Bancker Construction Corp. \$228,939.34 Sanitary Sewer Main

Replacement

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

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. 174-20

Resolved to approve the following payment from the Water Reserve Funds in FY 2020-2021:

VENDOR AMOUNT PROJECT J.K. Electric Co, Inc. \$59,850.00 Well #1

Motioned by Trustee Dennis J. Walsh 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. 175-20

Resolved to authorize a 36 feet wide curb cut for access to a proposed new parking lot at 255 East Second Street, Mineola.

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. 176-20

Resolved to remove the following vehicles from the vehicle inventory and declare them as surplus equipment in order to dispose of these as scrap.

2003 Ford Crown Victoria - VIN No. 2FAHP74W73X157316 1998 Jeep Cherokee – VIN No. 1J4FJ28S8WL217810 1998 Jeep Cherokee – VIN No. 1J4FJ28S3WL217813

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

Mayor Scott P. Strauss requested a motion to close the Work Session at 6:35 PM.

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

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: Village Attorney John P. Gibbons, Jr.

Village Clerk Joseph R. Scalero Deputy Village Clerk Linda Pardo

Press Observer: None

Sunshine Observers: 1 Observer

Mayor Scott P. Strauss discussed the fire at Piccola Bussola; stated that the Mineola Volunteer Ambulance Corps christened a new ambulance which was dedicated in memory of Ex-Chief and Commissioner Ed Rummel; reported that a pool office worker tested positive for COVID-19 requiring the pool to close for the season four days early; announced that rear yard pick up will resume September 14; stated that there will be a tree lighting for Pediatric Cancer Awareness September 3 at 7:30 pm; announced that the September 11 Remembrance Ceremony will be held at Memorial Park at 7:00 pm, adding that attendees should wear masks and social distance, and wished residents a safe and fun Labor Day weekend.

Trustee Paul A. Pereira discussed the catastrophic fire at Piccola Bussola, and offered thoughts and prayers to Tony Lubrano, his employees, and the families in the apartments above; stated that rear yard pick up will resume; announced that parking regulations will be back in full force after Labor Day; stated that the pool closed a few days early, but the season was a tremendous success; stated that schools are opening, school buses will be loading differently, and reminded residents to be patient and do not pass school buses when they are loading, and wished parents, students, teachers and administrators a great 2020-21 school year.

Trustee Paul S. Cusato discussed the Village's resurgence; thanked the parents and residents who made the Mineola Athletic Association baseball and softball seasons a success; congratulated the Mineola Volunteer Ambulance Corps on their new ambulance, and discussed the fire at Piccola Bussola, and thanked all the volunteers.

Trustee George R. Durham discussed the Piccola Bussola fire adding how impressive it is when multiple responding fire departments work together, and wished Tony Lubrano the best in getting the restaurant back up and running.

Trustee Dennis J. Walsh discussed the recent blood drive hosted by Assemblyman Ed Ra and the NY Blood Services Center; commented on the early pool closure, stating that the facility could not remain open without proper staffing; thanked Rosa from Ardito's, 7-11 and all those who brought food and water to the volunteers during the Piccola Bussola fire, and reminded residents that parking regulations resume after Labor Day because streets need to be cleaned and schools are now open.

Mayor Strauss added his thanks to Rosa from Ardito's, Manny from Bairrada, Dunkin Donuts, 7-11 and the residents who all pitched in during the fire; stated that the parking regulations are needed, and announced that the September 12 fireworks have been cancelled because Nassau County is not issuing fireworks permits.

Trustee Pereira wished Trustee Walsh a happy birthday.

No speakers addressed the Board

Mayor Scott P. Strauss requested a motion to close the Public Meeting at 7:45 PM.

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