Minutes - Board Meeting - 06/03/09

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Mineola held Wednesday, June 3, 2009 at Village Hall, 155 Washington Avenue, Mineola, New York 11501.

PRESENT:

Mayor Jack M. Martins

Trustee Lawrence A. Werther

Trustee Paul S. Cusato Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy Trustee Paul A. Pereira

ALSO PRESENT:

Village Attorney John M. Spellman 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

Sunshine Observers:

19 Observers

Mayor Martins called the Work Session to order at 6:50 PM

Resolution No. 146-09

Resolved to approve bills and payroll.

Motioned by Trustee Lawrence A. Werther Seconded by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Vote:

<u>Yes</u>

<u>No</u>

Abstain

Mayor Jack M. Martins Trustee Lawrence A. Werther Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy Trustee Paul A. Pereira

Resolution No. 147-09

Resolved to approve the minutes from the meeting of the Board of Trustees of May 6, 2009 as amended.

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

Vote:

Yes

No

Abstain

Mayor Jack M. Martins
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther
Trustee Paul S. Cusato
Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy
Trustee Paul A. Pereira

Resolution No. 148-09

Resolved to approve a request by Robert Hinck, Community Development Coordinator, to appoint Francis W. Gencorelli, RA of Gencorelli & Salo, Architects, P.C. to review the Engineering Services RFP's for the Station Plaza North project. The anticipated fee will be approximately \$1,500.00 which will be funded from Community Development funds.

Motioned by Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy Seconded by Trustee Lawrence A. Werther

Vote:

Yes No Abstain

Mayor Jack M. Martins Trustee Lawrence A. Werther Trustee Paul S. Cusato Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy Trustee Paul A. Pereira

Resolution No. 149-09

Resolved to approve a request of Corpus Christi Church for permission to hold a devotional procession on Sunday, June 14, 2009 from approximately 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM utilizing the enclosed route:

Garfield Avenue East to Willis Avenue North to Grant Avenue West to Mineola Boulevard South to Garfield Avenue East to Corpus Christi Church

Motioned by Trustee Lawrence A. Werther Seconded by Trustee Paul A. Pereira

Vote:

Yes No Abstain

Mayor Jack M. Martins Trustee Lawrence A. Werther Trustee Paul S. Cusato Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy Trustee Paul A. Pereira

Resolution No. 150-09

Resolved to approve a request of the Mineola High School for permission to hold their Homecoming Parade on October 3, 2009 at 4:30 PM along the following route:

East along Jericho Turnpike to Roslyn Road South along Roslyn Road to Westbury Avenue East along Westbury Avenue to Union Avenue South along Union Avenue to Hampton Stadium

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

Vote:

Yes No Abstain

Mayor Jack M. Martins
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther
Trustee Paul S. Cusato
Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy
Trustee Paul A. Pereira

Resolution No. 151-09

Resolved to approve the request by the Jackson Avenue School for the use of Wilson Park for their annual 5^{th} Grade Picnic on Thursday June 4, 2009 (Raindate: Friday, June 5, 2009) from 9:00 AM - 1:30 PM.

Motioned by Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy Seconded by Trustee Lawrence A. Werther

Vote:

Yes No Abstain

Mayor Jack M. Martins Trustee Lawrence A. Werther Trustee Paul S. Cusato Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy Trustee Paul A. Pereira

Resolution No. 152-09

Resolved to approve a request by the Mineola Athletic Association for the use of the Willis Avenue Baseball Complex for their second annual Family Fun Day on Saturday June 6, 2009 (Raindate: Sunday, June 7, 2009) from 12:00 PM – 10:00 PM.

Motioned by Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy Seconded by Trustee Lawrence A. Werther

Vote:

Yes No Abstain

Mayor Jack M. Martins
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther
Trustee Paul S. Cusato
Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy
Trustee Paul A. Pereira

Resolution No. 153-09

Resolved to approve a request by the Mineola Fire Department for a budget transfer in the amount of \$3,650.00 from the Medical line to the following lines:

\$2,150.00 to Turnout Gear \$1,500.00 to Scott Masks

Motioned by Trustee Paul S. Cusato Seconded by Trustee Lawrence A. Werther

Vote:

Yes No Abstain

Mayor Jack M. Martins
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther
Trustee Paul S. Cusato
Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy
Trustee Paul A. Pereira

Village Clerk Joseph R. Scalero reported that all tax bills were sent out this week and a major motion picture called "Morning Glory" was being shot at several locations along the 2^{nd} street corridor.

Resolution No. 154-09

Resolved to affirm the appointment of Donna Gallo to fill the vacant Deputy Treasurer position at a salary of \$47,500.00.

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

Vote:

Yes No Abstain

Mayor Jack M. Martins
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther
Trustee Paul S. Cusato
Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy
Trustee Paul A. Pereira

Superintendent of Buildings Daniel B. Whalen presented a report on the monthly activities of the Building Department.

Superintendent of Public Works Thomas J. Rini reported on the Storm Water Phase II annual report for the period of February 28, 2008 – February 28, 2009, gave an update on summertime preparations, summer recreation activities, pool applications and opening dates. Mr. Rini also reported on the field maintenance planned for this summer.

Mayor Jack Martins announced the passage of the New York State Senate consolidation bill (S.5661) which could eliminate villages, towns and fire districts, for example and mentioned that he would discuss it further during the Public Meeting.

Mayor Jack M. Martins presented a proclamation to Steve Ford, as a token of appreciation on behalf of the Board of Trustees and himself, for an outstanding job as President of the Mineola Chamber of Commerce.

Mayor Jack M. Martins requested a motion to close the Work Session at 7:25 PM

Motioned by Trustee Paul S. Cusato Seconded by Trustee Lawrence A. Werther

Vote:

Yes No Abstain

Mayor Jack M. Martins
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther
Trustee Paul S. Cusato
Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy

Trustee Paul A. Pereira

Mayor Jack M. Martins called the Public Meeting to order at 7:40 PM.

PRESENT: Mayor Jack M. Martins

Trustee Lawrence A. Werther

Trustee Paul S. Cusato
Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy
Trustee Paul A. Pereira

ALSO PRESENT: Village Attorney John M. Spellman

Village Clerk Joseph R. Scalero Deputy Village Clerk Cora T. Kelly Village Treasurer Giacomo A. Ciccone

Superintendent of Buildings Daniel B. Whalen

Sunshine Observers: 32 Observers

Mayor Jack M. Martins announced the passage of the New York State Senate consolidation bill (S. 5661) which could eliminate villages, towns and fire districts, for example, and further stated that this legislation allows a referendum, without first studying the consequences, which could consist of a public vote without the necessary impact information, it could also allow a county to have a county-wide referendum to dissolve a village and allow non-village residents to vote in that referendum. Mayor Martins explained that all amendments to the legislation failed and that none were offered by the majority leaders which would exempt villages from this legislation.

Trustee Lawrence A. Werther commented on his disappointment with this bill, its passing and how the city seems to be dictating to villages.

Trustee Paul S. Cusato reiterated these sentiments and was shocked by Albany's nearsightedness. Trustee Cusato thanked American Legion Commander, Sal Cataldo, and Veterans of Foreign War Commander, Manny Grillo, for the Memorial Day Parade and services.

Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy commented on his disappointment with the passage of this bill and stated that it was preposterous that this bill would lower taxes, further questioning who would provide services and what would happen to property values?

Trustee Paul A. Pereira commented that he was shocked by the lack of exemptions for villages and expressed his disappointment with Senator Johnson's efforts in opposing this bill.

Mayor Jack M. Martins recognized all veterans and thanked all that came out to attend the Memorial Day Parade - it was well attended and very nicely done.

16 speakers addressed the board

In response to resident Sal Cataldo, Commander of the American Legion Mineola Memorial Post No. 349, the Board of Trustees entertained the following previously unrequested motion:

Resolution No. 155-09

Resolved to approve a request by the American Legion Mineola Memorial Post No. 349 for the use of Wilson Park for their retired flag burning ceremony on Thursday, June 11, 2009 at 6:30 PM

<u>No</u>

Motioned by Trustee Lawrence A. Werther Seconded by Trustee Paul A. Pereira

Vote:

Yes
Mayor Jack M. Martins
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther
Trustee Paul S. Cusato
Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy
Trustee Paul A. Pereira

Village Attorney John M. Spellman asked that we remember in prayer John Brennan, original donor to create Mary Brennan INN Center, who is very ill

Mayor Martins requested a motion to close the Public Meeting at 10:05 PM.

Motioned by Trustee Lawrence A. Werther Seconded by Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy

Vote:

Yes
Mayor Jack M. Martins
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther
Trustee Paul S. Cusato
Trustee Thomas F. Kennedy
Trustee Paul A. Pereira

No Abstain

Abstain

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph R. Scalero Village Clerk