

## **Minutes - Board Meeting 01/04/2023**

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Mineola held Wednesday, January 4, 2023 at Village Hall, 155 Washington Avenue, Mineola, New York 11501.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Paul A. Pereira  
Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
Trustee Janine Sartori  
Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark  
Trustee Donna M. Solosky

**ALSO PRESENT:** Village Attorney John P. Gibbons, Jr.  
Village Clerk Bryan L. Rivera  
Deputy Village Clerk Linda Pardo  
Village Treasurer Giacomo A. Ciccone

**Press Observer:** None

**Sunshine Observers:** 4 Observers

**Mayor Paul A. Pereira called the Work Session to order at 6:35 PM.**

### **Resolution No. 001-23**

Resolved to approve bills and payroll.

Motioned by Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
Seconded by Trustee Donna M. Solosky

#### **Vote:**

<b><u>Yes</u></b>	<b><u>No</u></b>	<b><u>Abstain</u></b>
Mayor Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Janine Sartori		
Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark		
Trustee Donna M. Solosky		

### **Resolution No. 002-23**

Resolved to approve the minutes of the meetings of the Board of Trustees from December 7 and December 14, 2022.

Motioned by Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
Seconded by Trustee Janine Sartori

#### **Vote:**

<b><u>Yes</u></b>	<b><u>No</u></b>	<b><u>Abstain</u></b>
Mayor Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Janine Sartori		
Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark		
Trustee Donna M. Solosky		

**Resolution No. 003-23**

Resolved to set the date and polling location for the 2023 Village Election as Tuesday, March 21, from 6:00 AM – 9:00 PM at the Mineola Community Center, 155 Washington Avenue, Mineola, NY.

Motioned by Trustee Janine Sartori  
Seconded by Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark

**Vote:**

Yes

**No**

## Abstain

Mayor Paul A. Pereira  
Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
Trustee Janine Sartori  
Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark  
Trustee Donna M. Solosky

**Resolution No. 004-23**

Resolved to approve the membership of the following candidates as recommended by the Mineola Fire Department, effective December 28, 2022:

Connor Kelly	Company 3
Joseph Krukowski	Company 3
Bryan Rocha	Company 3

Motioned by Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark  
Seconded by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

**Vote:**

Yes

No

**Abstain**

Mayor Paul A. Pereira  
Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
Trustee Janine Sartori  
Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark  
Trustee Donna M. Solosky

**Resolution No. 005-23**

Resolved to approve the following 2023 tow car license applicants, and to designate Cross Island Wrecker as the Village's authorized tow car agent for abandoned vehicles for 2023 and waive its fees for tow car and operator registration.

TOW CAR BUSINESS NAME	ADDRESS
Albert Zolezzi Auto Body, Inc.	432 Willis Avenue, Williston Park, NY 11596
Always Towing Inc.	79 Herricks Road, Garden City Park, NY 11040
C & N Auto Center	96 Jericho Turnpike, Floral Park, NY 11001
Countywide Towing Enforcement	534 Main Street, Westbury, NY 11590
Cross Island Wrecker Service, Inc.	635 Commercial Avenue, Garden City, NY 11530
Fagan's Towing	22 Watermill Lane, Great Neck, NY 11021
Grand Auto Body	98 Denton Avenue, Garden City Park, NY 11040
Nationwide Towing	2044 Jericho Turnpike, New Hyde Park, NY 11040

Nuzzi Bros Auto Collision, Inc.	77 Jericho Turnpike, New Hyde Park, NY 11040
T & D Towing Corporation	162 Sea Cliff Avenue, Glen Cove, NY 11542
Tip Top Auto Body, Inc.	150 Denton Avenue, Garden City Park, NY 11040

Motioned by Trustee Janine Sartori  
Seconded by Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark

<b>Vote:</b>		
<b><u>Yes</u></b>	<b><u>No</u></b>	<b><u>Abstain</u></b>
Mayor Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Janine Sartori		
Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark		
Trustee Donna M. Solosky		

**Resolution No. 006-23**

Resolved to approve a request by the American Legion Mineola Memorial Post #349 for the use of a general-purpose room on the following Tuesdays from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM for their monthly meetings:

January 10, 2023	June 6, 2023
February 7, 2023	September 5, 2023
March 7, 2023	October 3, 2023
April 11, 2023	November 14, 2023
May 9, 2023	December 5, 2023

Motioned by Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
Seconded by Trustee Donna M. Solosky

<b>Vote:</b>		
<b><u>Yes</u></b>	<b><u>No</u></b>	<b><u>Abstain</u></b>
Mayor Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Janine Sartori		
Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark		
Trustee Donna M. Solosky		

**Resolution No. 007-23**

Resolved to authorize the disposal of current Highway Division Truck No. 19 as junk equipment and remove this vehicle from the vehicle inventory and insurance coverage.

Year: 1999  
Make/Model: International 4700 Dump  
VIN No.: 1HTSCAAPXXH599702

Motioned by Trustee Janine Sartori  
Seconded by Trustee Donna M. Solosky

**Vote:**

**Yes**

**No**

**Abstain**

Mayor Paul A. Pereira  
Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
Trustee Janine Sartori  
Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark  
Trustee Donna M. Solosky

**Resolution No. 007-23-A**

Resolved to authorize the removal of the “Handicap Reserved” parking space in front of 311 Schuster Avenue, Mineola.

Motioned by Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
Seconded by Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark

**Vote:**

**Yes**

**No**

**Abstain**

Mayor Paul A. Pereira  
Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
Trustee Janine Sartori  
Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark  
Trustee Donna M. Solosky

**Resolution No. 008-23**

Resolved to authorize the posting of a Mechanic position in the Central Garage Division of the Department of Public Works.

Motioned by Trustee Donna M. Solosky  
Seconded by Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark

**Vote:**

**Yes**

**No**

**Abstain**

Mayor Paul A. Pereira  
Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
Trustee Janine Sartori  
Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark  
Trustee Donna M. Solosky

**Resolution No. 009-23**

Resolved to confirm the Mayor’s appointment of Liam O’Keefe as Superintendent of Buildings.

Motioned by Trustee Janine Sartori  
Seconded by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

**Vote:**

**Yes**

**No**

**Abstain**

Mayor Paul A. Pereira  
Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
Trustee Janine Sartori  
Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark  
Trustee Donna M. Solosky

**Resolution No. 010-23**

Resolved to purchase software from LeaseCrunch, LLC to implement GASB 87 and GASB 96.

Motioned by Trustee Janine Sartori

Seconded by Trustee Donna M. Solosky

**Vote:**

**Yes**

**No**

**Abstain**

Mayor Paul A. Pereira

Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Trustee Janine Sartori

Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark

Trustee Donna M. Solosky

**Resolution No. 011-23**

Resolved to approve a salary increase of \$8,000.00 for Donna Thompson, Secretary to the Planning Board, effective January 1, 2023.

Motioned by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Seconded by Trustee Donna M. Solosky

**Vote:**

**Yes**

**No**

**Abstain**

Mayor Paul A. Pereira

Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Trustee Janine Sartori

Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark

Trustee Donna M. Solosky

**Resolution No. 012-23**

Resolved to approve a salary increase of \$9,000.00 for John Chilcott, Building Inspector, effective January 1, 2023.

Motioned by Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark

Seconded by Trustee Janine Sartori

**Vote:**

**Yes**

**No**

**Abstain**

Mayor Paul A. Pereira

Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Trustee Janine Sartori

Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark

Trustee Donna M. Solosky

**Resolution No. 013-23**

Resolved to accept the resignation of Superintendent of Buildings Daniel B. Whalen, effective December 29, 2022 and to approve a lump sum separation payout for unused accumulated time in accordance with the adopted Village policy in the amount of \$181,717.83. The lump sum payout will be paid out over three years with three equal payments to be disbursed in January 2023, January 2024 and the final payment in January 2025.

Motioned by Trustee Donna M. Solosky  
Seconded by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

**Vote:**  

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Mayor Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Janine Sartori		
Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark		
Trustee Donna M. Solosky		

**Mayor Paul A. Pereira requested a motion to close the Work Session at 6:45 PM.**

Motioned by Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark  
Seconded by Trustee Janine Sartori

**Vote:**  

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Mayor Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Janine Sartori		
Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark		
Trustee Donna M. Solosky		

**Mayor Paul A. Pereira called the Public Meeting to order at 7:40 PM.**

**PRESENT:**  
Mayor Paul A. Pereira  
Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
Trustee Janine Sartori  
Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark  
Trustee Donna M. Solosky

**ALSO PRESENT:**  
Village Attorney John P. Gibbons, Jr.  
Village Clerk Bryan L. Rivera  
Deputy Village Clerk Linda Pardo  
Village Treasurer Giacomo A. Ciccone

**Press Observer:** *Williston Times*

**Sunshine Observers:** 4 Observers

Mayor Paul A. Pereira wished everyone a happy new year; thanked the Mineola Fire Department for another successful year conducting Operation Santa and the Mineola Memorial Library for collecting Toys for Tots; discussed the new sanitation schedule and changes during holiday weeks, and encouraged residents to sign up for email alerts, check the mailer, Village website, Facebook or call the Village with questions.

Trustee Janine Sartori announced that the Mineola Memorial Library is holding a winter coat drive in collaboration with the Long Island Coalition for the Homeless through the month of January and wished residents a happy new year.

Trustee Paul S. Cusato wished residents a happy new year; commended all the firefighters who participated in Operation Santa, which included visiting over 275 homes, several apartment buildings, NYU Langone Hospital, the Village tree lighting ceremony, and a Feliz Navidad event at Mitchel Field Athletic Complex. Trustee Cusato stated that according to Ex-Chief Gary Mazur who organizes Operation Santa, over 3,000 children were visited this holiday season. Trustee Cusato also congratulated Company 2 Firefighter of the Year Nick D’Imperio and Company 3 Firefighter of the Year Ex-Captain Mickey DeSorbo.

Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark congratulated the Mineola Fire Department on another fantastic year of running Operation Santa; reminded residents to clear fire hydrants after it snows, and wished residents a happy new year.

Trustee Donna M. Solosky wished residents a happy new year and discussed Operation Santa.

Mayor Paul A. Pereira reported that residents can find meeting notices on the Village website, in the Nassau Illustrated News and on Facebook, and announced that there will be another Community Forum on Wednesday, January 25 at 7:00 PM at Village Hall and encouraged all residents to attend.

*4 speakers addressed the Board*

**Mayor Paul A. Pereira requested a motion to close the Public Meeting at 9:05 PM.**

Motioned by Trustee Janine Sartori  
Seconded by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

<b>Vote:</b>		
<b><u>Yes</u></b>	<b><u>No</u></b>	<b><u>Abstain</u></b>
Mayor Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Janine Sartori		
Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark		
Trustee Donna M. Solosky		

Respectfully submitted,

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Bryan L. Rivera  
Village Clerk