

**Minutes - Board Meeting 11/06/2019**

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Mineola held Wednesday, November 6, 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:** *None*

**Sunshine Observers:** 3 Observers

**Mayor Scott P. Strauss called the Work Session to order at 6:35 PM.**

*Presentation of the Annual Financial Statement for the fiscal year ending May 31, 2019 by William A. Barrett, CPA of Rynkar, Vail & Barrett, LLP.*

**Resolution No. 259-19**

Resolved to approve bills and payroll.

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

<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. 260-19**

Resolved to approve the minutes of the meetings of the Board of Trustees from October 2 and October 16, 2019, as amended.

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. 261-19**

Resolved to approve a request by Girl Scouts Daisy Troop 1200 for the use of the Village Hall Community Center auditorium Friday November 8, 2019 from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM to hold an investiture ceremony.

Motioned by Trustee Paul A. Pereira  
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. 262-19**

Resolved to approve a request by the Evening Star Quilters for the use of a Community Center general purpose room Saturday January 11, 2020 from 9:30 am – 4:00 pm to conduct a quilting workshop.

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. 263-19**

Resolved to approve a request by the Irish American Society of Nassau, Suffolk & Queens, Inc. for the use of village roads to conduct a St. Patrick's Day Parade on Sunday March 1, 2020 at 1:00 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

**Resolution No. 264-19**

Resolved to approve a request by the Evening Star Quilters for the use of the Community Center Thursday November 5 – Sunday November 8, 2020 from 9:00 am – 8:00 pm to conduct a Quilt Show.

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. 265-19**

Resolved that the Board of Trustees accepts and adopts the audit report of the Justice Court for the fiscal year ended May 31, 2019 as prepared and submitted by the Village's independent outside auditors.

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. 266-19**

Resolved that the Board of Trustees accepts and adopts the audit report relative to the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Village for the fiscal year ended May 31, 2019 as prepared and submitted by the Village's independent outside auditors.

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

**Vote:**

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

**Resolution No. 267-19**

Resolved to approve the following payments in the amount of \$34,594.22 from the Water Reserve Fund in FY 2019-2020:

VENDOR	AMOUNT	PROJECT
Dvirka & Bartilucci	\$16,325.58	Well #1
Dvirka & Bartilucci	\$6,868.64	Well #1
J.K. Electric Co., Inc.	\$11,400.00	Well #1

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

**Vote:**

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

**Resolution No. 268-19**

Resolved to authorize the following parking restrictions changes on Horton Highway, Wellington Road and Marcellus Road between First Street and Garfield Avenue:

A. On the West Side:

No Stopping Here to Corner from the north curb line of First Street north for approximately 25 feet

2 Hour Parking, Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 8 a.m. – 7 p.m., except Sundays and Holidays

No Parking Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, 8 a.m. – 7 p.m.

No Stopping Here to Corner from the south curb line of Garfield Avenue south for a distance of approximately 25 feet

B. On the East Side:

No Stopping Here to Corner from the north curb line of First Street north for approximately 25 feet

2 Hour Parking, Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, 8 a.m. – 7 p.m., except Sundays and Holidays

No Parking Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 8 a.m. – 7 p.m.

No Stopping Here to Corner from the south curb line of Garfield Avenue south for a distance of approximately 25 feet

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. 269-19**

Resolved to authorize the removal of the “Loading Zone” located 132 East Second Street, Mineola.

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. 270-19

Resolved to authorize the installation of an 11 foot curb cut at 179 Cleveland Avenue, 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

*Superintendent of Public Works Thomas J. Rini reviewed the Leaf Removal Program.*

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

Village Attorney John P. Gibbons, Jr. introduced the following resolution:

**Resolution No. 271-19**

**WHEREAS**, the United Public Service Employees Union filed a grievance on behalf of a Village employee;

**WHEREAS**, the Village resolved to appoint Gerard Loughran as Hearing Officer for the Village of Mineola with respect to the grievance filed by the Union;

**WHEREAS**, Hearing Officer Loughran held a hearing on August 7, 2019;

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees is now in receipt of the Findings and Recommended Decision, dated October 29, 2019 from Hearing Officer Loughran;

**WHEREAS**, Hearing Officer Loughran has recommended to the Board of Trustees that the relief sought in the filed Grievance be denied.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees adopts the Findings and Recommended Decision, dated October 29, 2019.

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

<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		

**Mayor Scott P. Strauss requested a motion to close the Work Session at 7:08 PM.**

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

<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		

**Mayor Scott P. Strauss called the Public Meeting to order at 7:30 PM.**

<b>PRESENT:</b>	
	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:** 5 Observers

Mayor Scott P. Strauss reported that parking regulation changes off First Street were approved at the Work Session; stated that the annual audit report shows that the Village is doing great financially; congratulated those elected/re-elected yesterday, especially Presiding Officer Rich Nicoletto; congratulated Mineola resident Terence Timlin on being chosen as the Nassau County Chamber of Commerce Businessperson of the Year; thanked the Recreation staff and the Department of Public Works who made the Village Halloween Party a success; reminded residents that Veterans Day is November 11; reviewed snow regulations, and congratulated Girl Scout Sarah McGowan who earned her Silver Award for researching and presenting new playground equipment for Wilson Park.

Trustee Paul A. Pereira discussed the Lions Park re-dedication; announced a new community group called the Mineola Dads Club; discussed his visit to Hampton Street School where he addressed second graders and answered many questions, and congratulated Dr. Michael Nagler on being named New York State Superintendent of the Year.

Trustee Paul S. Cusato congratulated election winners; thanked the Recreation staff for another successful Halloween Party; congratulated the Mineola High School Marching Band who are New York State champions again; discussed the work of the Mineola Historical Society who acquired film footage of old Mineola Fairs and are trying to preserve it digitally; reported that Daylight Savings Time was the time to check batteries in smoke detectors; announced that “Toys-for-Tots” collection boxes will be located at Village Hall, both fire departments and Mineola Memorial Library through December 12; stated that the Mineola Memorial Library is holding a blood drive November 17 and has a food collection box at the front desk until November 22, and congratulated Ex-Captain Carl Nunziata who is the 2019 Town of Hempstead Firematic Award recipient.

Trustee George R. Durham encouraged residents to visit Lions Park; congratulated Rich Nicoletto and all election winners, and thanked Troop 45 wreath sale supporters.

Trustee Dennis J. Walsh reported on his hip replacement; stated that he is very grateful for family owned pharmacies, especially Mineola Family Pharmacy on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, and stated that his attendance at Board of Trustees meetings motivated his re-hab.

*1 speaker addressed the Board*

**Mayor Scott P. Strauss requested a motion to close the Public Meeting at 7:55 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