

**Minutes - Board Meeting 12/2/2015**

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Mineola held Wednesday, December 2, 2015 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  
Village Treasurer Giacomo Ciccone  
Superintendent of Buildings Daniel B. Whalen

**Press Observer:** *Mineola American*  
*Williston Times*

**Sunshine Observers:** 5 Observers

**Mayor Scott P. Strauss called the Work Session to order at 6:45 PM.**

**Resolution No. 323-15**

Resolved to approve bills and payroll.

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

**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. 324-15**

Resolved to approve a request by the Daughters of Portugal for the use of village streets Sunday June 12, 2016 to conduct a Portugal Day Parade along the following route, conditional upon the parade organizes notifying residents along the parade route of traffic any impacts:

South Saville Road/Jackson Avenue  
East on Jericho Turnpike to Roslyn Road  
South to Westbury Avenue  
East on Westbury Avenue to Union Street  
South on Union Street ending at Wilson Park

Motioned by Trustee Paul A. Pereira  
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. 325-15**

Resolved to approve a request by the Mineola Portuguese Center, Inc. for the use of Wilson Field and Field #2 Friday June 10 through Sunday June 12, 2016 and the use of one Wilson Field soccer field Saturday June 11 and Sunday June 12, 2016 to conduct a Portuguese American Feast.

Motioned by Trustee Paul A. Pereira  
Seconded by Trustee George R. Durham

**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. 326-15**

Resolved to approve a request by the Veterans of Foreign Wars Pvt. Adolph Block Post No. 1305 for the use of a Village Hall Community Center general purpose room to conduct its 2016 monthly meetings on the following dates:

January 27	July (no meeting)
February 24	August (no meeting)
March 23	September 28
April 27	October 26
May 18	November 16
June 22	December 21

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

**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. 327-15**

Resolved to approve the following payment in the amount of \$178,244.19 from the Development Incentive Bonus Funds in FY 2015-2016:

VENDOR	AMOUNT	PROJECT
Pratt Brothers, Inc.	\$ 134,188.90	2nd Street Parking Lot
Dvirka & Bartilucci Consulting Engineers	\$ 2,319.58	2nd Street Parking Lot
Web Construction Corp	\$ 37,000.00	Wilson Park Pavilions
Dvirka & Bartilucci Consulting Engineers	\$ 1,213.56	Memorial Park
Dvirka & Bartilucci Consulting Engineers	\$ 1,171.12	Memorial Park
Dvirka & Bartilucci Consulting Engineers	\$ 2,351.03	Well #1

TOTAL \$ 178,244.19

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. 328-15**

Resolved to authorize the following benefit payouts from the Fire Service Award Fund to the following Mineola Fire Department Volunteer Firefighters, pursuant to the Length of Service Awards Program (LOSAP) effective January 1, 2016:

John J. Gayson, Jr.	\$ 420.00 per month
James P. Duffy	\$ 17,428.54 lump sum payout

Motioned by Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
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

*Superintendent of Buildings Danial B. Whalen presented a monthly report of Department activities for the months of October and November 2015.*

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

**Resolution No. 329-15**

Resolved that the Board of Trustees authorizes the Village Clerk to publish a legal notice in *Newsday* for a proposed Local Law amending Section 550-5 of the Municipal Code of the Incorporated Village of 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

Mayor Scott P. Strauss requested a motion to close the Work Session at 6:55 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

**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

**Press Observer:**

*Mineola American*  
*Williston Times*

**Sunshine Observers:**

9 Observers

Mayor Scott P. Strauss began the meeting by requesting that all present observe a moment of silence for the victims of the day's terrorist acts in San Bernardino, CA. Mayor Strauss reported on the Chamber of Commerce's recent "Taste and Style of Mineola" event, the grand opening of Azzuro's Restaurant, and their annual support of the holiday street light decorations, thanking DPW Superintendent Thomas J Rini and his staff for their efforts in installing the decorations for the holiday season. Mayor Strauss also commented on the annual Senior Appreciation Day luncheon, 3 new Mineola Eagle Scouts, noted that Hanukah was beginning this weekend, and reminded residents that, despite unusually warm weather recently, snow season is approaching and reminded residents of the village snow regulations. Mayor Strauss also reminded residents that the annual Christmas Tree lighting is December 5, 2015.

Trustee Paul A. Pereira commented on the upcoming snow season, the tree lighting festivities, and the "Taste and Style of Mineola" event, noting that two former Mineola High School students (Class of 2002) served as its emcees.

Trustee Paul S. Cusato commented on the Chamber of Commerce and especially its "Taste and Style of Mineola" event and its emcees; reported on the Mineola Fire Department's participation in the United States Marine Corps' "Toys-for-Tots" toy collection program, and the Island Harvest food drive; and reminded residents that the MFD's "Operation Santa" was ongoing December 11-23.

Trustee George R. Durham commented on the Thanksgiving holiday, reported on Winthrop University Hospital's Holiday Tree Lighting earlier this day, announced that the Mineola Athletic Association's Spring registration is now open; and thanked all those who supported Boy Scout Troop 45 and Cub Scout Troop 311 during their annual holiday wreath sale, and congratulated two scouts on earning the Eagle Scout rank.

Trustee Dennis Walsh reported that President of the New York Federal Reserve Bank at a November meeting delivered an address focusing on the regional need for more housing along the

Long Island Railroad, development of more Transit Oriented Development (TOD), and a commitment to developing bio-medical research facilities and opportunities as critical to ensuring LI's future prosperity. Trustee Walsh noted that Mineola is one of the communities leading the way in smartgrowth housing and TOD on LI.

*2 Speakers addressed the Board*

**Mayor Scott P. Strauss requested a motion to close the Public Meeting at 8:00 PM.**

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

**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		