

**Minutes - Board Meeting – 05/16/2018**

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Mineola held Wednesday, May 16, 2018 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 D. Pardo  
Village Treasurer Giacomo Ciccone  
Superintendent of Buildings Daniel B. Whalen

**Press Observers:** *Mineola American*  
*Williston Times*  
*Newsday*

**Sunshine Observers:** 13 Observers

**Mayor Scott P. Strauss called the Public Hearing to order at 6:35 PM**

*A Public Hearing was held at 6:35 PM at the Village Hall, 155 Washington Avenue, Mineola, New York, 11501 in order to receive public comment upon the following:*

**APPLICATION OF ABSOLUTE FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES, INC. FOR A SPECIAL USE PERMIT PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 550 OF THE CODE OF THE INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF MINEOLA, ENTITLED “ZONING”, SECTION 550.12 ENTITLED “B-1 DISTRICTS”, SUBSECTION (B) ENTITLED “SPECIAL USES” TO ESTABLISH A RECREATIONAL CENTER FOR SPECIAL NEEDS STUDENTS UPON THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS 185 WILLIS AVENUE, MINEOLA, NEW YORK, KNOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE NASSAU COUNTY LAND AND TAX MAP AS SECTION 9, BLOCK 410, LOTS 562-565.**

*No speakers addressed the Board*

**Resolution 132-18**

Resolved to declare the Special Use Application of Absolute Family Support Services, Inc. for a Special Use Permit pursuant to Chapter 550 of the Code of the Incorporated Village of Mineola, entitled “Zoning”, Section 550.12 entitled “B-1 Districts”, Subsection (B) entitled “Special Uses” for the purpose of establishing a recreational center for special needs students upon the property known as 185 Willis Avenue, Mineola, New York, known and designated on the Nassau County Land and Tax Map as Section 9, Block 410, Lots 562-565, as a Type II action pursuant to S.E.Q.R.A.

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 133-18**

BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF MINEOLA  
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In the Matter of the Application of

ABSOLUTE FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES, INC.

**DECISION**

For a Special Use Permit pursuant to Chapter 550, Section 550-12.B of the Code of the Incorporated Village of Mineola, at premises known as 185 Willis Avenue, Mineola, New York, known and designated on the Nassau County Land and Tax Map as Section 9, Block 410, Lots 562-565.  
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NAME OF APPLICANTS:	Absolute Family Support Services, Inc.
SUBJECT PROPERTY:	Section 9, Block 410, Lots 562-565
STREET LOCATION:	185 Willis Avenue Mineola, New York 11501
ZONING DISTRICT:	"B-1" District
RELIEF REQUESTED:	Application For a Special Use Permit pursuant to Chapter 550, Section 550-12.B to establish a recreational facility for special needs students upon the second floor of the Property.
PUBLICATION & POSTING:	All in accordance with applicable laws, rules and regulations.
DATE OF HEARING:	May 16, 2018
APPEARANCES:	Hiyam Hammad, Officer of the Corporation

**DECISION:**

Absolute Family Support Services, Inc. (hereinafter, "Applicant") is before this Board, pursuant to Chapter 550, Section 550.12.B of the Municipal Code of the Incorporated Village of Mineola, for a special use permit to establish a recreational facility for special

needs students upon the property known as 185 Willis Avenue, Mineola, New York (known and designated on the Nassau County Land and Tax Map as Section 9, Block 410, Lots 562-565) (hereinafter, the “Property”).

By Notice of Disapproval, dated March 19, 2018, Applicant’s building permit was denied. The Building Inspector determined that the proposed application is contrary to the Village’s zoning regulations. Applicant was thus required to seek relief before the Board of Trustees for a special use permit to establish a recreational facility upon the Property.

Based upon the evidence adduced at the public hearing, and the documentation submitted to the Board in support of the application, the Board makes the following findings of fact:

- 1) Applicant is seeking a special use permit to establish a recreational center for special needs students upon property known as 185 Willis Avenue, Mineola, New York;
- 2) The hours of operation will be 8:00 am to 8:00 pm 7 days a week;
- 3) Applicant anticipates a maximum of 30 students; and
- 4) The proposed use, subject to the conditions imposed by this Board, will provide a desirable service and convenience to the Village.

Based upon the above findings, it is hereby determined that the proposed use, subject to the conditions stated below, is harmonious to the “B-1” District, will conform to the general character of the neighborhood, and that the public health, morals, safety and general welfare of such neighborhood will be secured by the granting of the requested Special Use Permit. Further, it is hereby determined that the Special Use Permit will provide a desirable facility to the area and will not be incongruous to the neighborhood by reason of excessive traffic.

**IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED**, that the Special Use Permit is **GRANTED** subject to the following conditions:

- 1) Applicant shall obtain and maintain all necessary licenses, permits and approvals from all agencies having jurisdiction with respect to the operation of the business;
- 2) Applicant shall utilize the rear parking lot for pick-ups and drop-offs and not Willis Avenue;
- 3) The operation of the center shall be self-contained within the interior of the building;

- 4) Each of these conditions is material to the approval granted by the Board of Trustees. Violation of any of these conditions shall subject the applicant or its successors to enforcement pursuant to the Village's Municipal Code, including possible revocation of this Special Use Permit;
- 5) The representations made by Applicant on the record in this proceeding have been deemed material to this application and have been relied upon by the Board of Trustees in its deliberations and decisions. Said representations are deemed to be part of the conditions of this Special Use Permit; and
- 6) Violation of a condition set forth in this decision shall be deemed a violation of the Village Zoning Law and shall subject the owner or occupant of the premises to all penalties set forth in the Zoning Law.

Dated: Mineola, New York  
May 16, 2018

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

Village Clerk Joseph R. Scalero polled the Board:

**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 Hearing to order at 7:07 PM**

**Sunshine Observers:** 17 Observers

*A Public Hearing was held at 7:07 PM at the Village Hall, 155 Washington Avenue, Mineola, New York, 11501 in order to receive public comment upon the following:*

**PROPOSED LOCAL LAW CREATING SECTION 376-23-A OF  
THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE INCORPORATED VILLAGE  
OF MINEOLA, ENTITLED "AGGRESSIVE PANHANDLING".**

*3 speakers addressed the Board*

**Mayor Scott P. Strauss requested a motion to reserve decision and keep the hearing record open for 30 days at 7:30 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 7:40 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 D. Pardo  
Village Treasurer Giacomo Ciccone

**Press Observers:** *Williston Times*  
*Mineola American*

**Sunshine Observers:** 14 Observers

Mayor Scott P. Strauss congratulated two new Eagle Scouts from Troop 200, Nicolas Gorbea and Robert Dodson; congratulated Mineola Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary incoming President Flore Rowe; discussed the necessity of the Aggressive Panhandling local law; announced that the summer concert series will begin next month and will run through September, and encouraged residents to come out for the Memorial Day parade and ceremony on Monday May 28.

Trustee Paul A. Pereira reported that he was a presenter at the Good Deed Awards ceremony, which recognizes teenagers throughout Nassau County, and added that Rabbi Perl runs an excellent event; reported that the Mineola High School student service center awards breakfast is next week; stated that Mineola is a very service-oriented community, and commented on the Aggressive Panhandling local law.

Trustee Paul S. Cusato reported that the Nassau County Firemen's Memorial Service was held May 6, and Ex-Captain and Honorary Chief Joseph Conlon was recognized, and congratulated Mineola Fire Department member Alex DaSilva who will received the Nassau County Firematic Award.

Trustee George R. Durham discussed the NYCOM conference and annual meeting he recently attended which covered the 2020 census, cancer disabilities insurance for volunteer firefighters, abandoned properties, and self-driving cars; reported that the school budget passed, and that the PILOT line increased by \$550,000, now \$2.4 million, which is more than state aid.

Trustee Dennis J. Walsh stated that he missed the Good Deeds award ceremony in order to attend a Town of North Hempstead third track meeting with other Mayors and officials from surrounding villages; reported that work on third track has begun; congratulated new Chamber of Commerce president Joel Harris, and announced that the Alheirense Center picnic is the Sunday before Memorial Day weekend.

*No speakers addressed the Board*

**Mayor Scott P. Strauss requested a motion to close the Public Meeting at 7:55 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 Work Session to order at 7:55 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 D. Pardo  
Village Treasurer Giacomo Ciccone

**Press Observers:**

*Williston Times*  
*Mineola American*

**Sunshine Observers:**

14 Observers

**Resolution No. 134-18**

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. 135-18**

Resolved to award the contract for annual pool shuttle bus transportation services to the lowest responsible bidder, All Island Transportation in the amount of \$8,344.00.

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. 136-18**

Resolved to approve a request by the Mineola Leisure Club for the use of the Community Center auditorium on Tuesdays from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM and a general purpose room for arts and crafts from 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM from September 11, 2018 – June 4, 2019.

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. 137-18**

Resolved to approve a request by the Mineola Leisure Club for the use of the Community Center general purpose room for a board meeting on Tuesday June 26, 2018 at 10:30 AM, and a general purpose room for new members' registration on Tuesday August 28, 2018.

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. 138-18**

Resolved to authorize the following bank to be designated as a Depository for deposits of monies received by the Treasurer of the Village of Mineola:

Hanover Community Bank - Mineola Branch

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. 139-18**

Resolved to approve the following payments in the amount of \$33,247.94 from the Water Reserve Fund in FY 2017-2018:

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>PROJECT</u>
Dvirka & Bartilucci	\$26,079.42	Well #1
Dvirka & Bartilucci	\$7,168.52	Well #1

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. 140-18**

Resolved to approve budget transfers within the Fire Department budget for FY 2017/18:

Account Name	Account Number	Increase	Decrease
Equipment	10341020000	\$6,000.05	
Hose & Equipment	10341020006	\$65.65	
Stationery & Printing	10341040400	\$191.35	
Badges & Plaques	10341040602	\$883.06	
Turnout Gear	10341040613	\$3,760.15	
Communications	10341041800	\$3,873.59	
Rental Equipment	10341042002	\$476.54	
Repairs- Equipment	10341045513	\$4,453.01	
Dues & Conferences	10341048000	\$91.65	
Computers	10341040606		\$6,314.02
Scott Masks	10341040628		\$2,211.03
OSHA Medicals	10341041300		\$5,900.00
Defensive Driving	10341048100		\$5,370.00
	TOTALS	\$19,795.05	\$19,795.05

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		

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

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		