

**Minutes - Board Meeting 05/02/2018**

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Mineola held Wednesday, May 2, 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  
Village Treasurer Giacomo Ciccone  
Superintendent of Public Works Thomas J. Rini  
Superintendent of Buildings Daniel B. Whalen

**Press Observer:** *Williston Times*

**Sunshine Observers:** 3 Observers

**Mayor Scott P. Strauss called the Work Session to order at 6:40 PM.**

**Resolution No. 107-18**

Resolved to approve bills and payroll.

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

**Vote:**

<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. 108-18**

Resolved to approve the minutes of the meetings of the Board of Trustees from April 2, April 4, April 11, and April 18, 2018.

Motioned by Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
Seconded by Trustee George R. Durham

**Vote:**

<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		



**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. 112-18**

Resolved to approve an annual lump sum payout to the following Mineola Fire Department Volunteer Firemen who have earned the Post-Entitlement Age (PEA) service credits as per the Village of Mineola Service Award Program:

James Carlson	\$480.00	Colin Kaletsky	\$720.00
Walter Crosby	\$1,200.00	Richard Kotowski	\$1,440.00
Arlindo Cunha	\$1,920.00	Thomas O'Brien	\$240.00
Paul Cusato	\$1,920.00	William O'Connell	\$960.00
Mark Danielson	\$720.00	Daniel Redmond	\$1,920.00
Martin Dawber	\$1,920.00	Louis Santosus, Jr.	\$1,920.00
Michael DeSorbo	\$1,200.00	Leonard Schmitt	\$240.00
Peter Fagiola	\$480.00	Joseph Sellitto, Jr.	\$1,920.00
Jack Fernandes	\$240.00	Stephen Stolarik, Sr.	\$1,920.00
Donald Franz	\$1,920.00	Joseph Tartaglia	\$1,920.00
Eleuterio Gauto	\$240.00	Lawrence Ueland	\$1,920.00
William Gresalfi	\$1,920.00	Kenneth Williams	\$480.00

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

**Vote:**

Yes

No

Abstain

Mayor Scott P. Strauss  
  
Trustee Paul A. Pereira  
Trustee George R. Durham  
Trustee Dennis J. Walsh

Trustee Paul S. Cusato

**Resolution No. 113-18**

Resolved to authorize one-time lump sum payouts in the amount of \$80.00 each to Mineola Fire Department Volunteer Firemen Daniel Dempsey, Stephen Hopkins, Alexander Klein, Andrew Martone, and Mathew Sanderleaf (representing a retroactive adjustment of 4 payments of \$20.00 for January 1, 2018 to April 1, 2018) pursuant to the Village of Mineola Service Award Program.

The new monthly benefit amounts will be as follows:

Daniel Dempsey	\$580.00
Stephen Hopkins	\$420.00
Alexander Klein	\$280.00
Andrew Martone	\$640.00
Mathew Sanderleaf	\$180.00

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. 114-18**

Resolved to authorize the expansion of the curb cuts at the following locations:

1. 235 East Jericho Turnpike, on Barwick Boulevard – 16 foot curb cut
2. 232 Wellington Road – 16 foot curb cut
3. 187 Parkway Court – Close existing 12 foot, 6 inch curb cut and open new 16 foot curb cut

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. 115-18**

Resolved to convert the existing 12 hour parking meters on Front Street, between Main Street and Station Plaza North, to 2 hour meters.

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. 116-18**

Resolved to authorize the installation of a “Handicap Reserved” parking space in front of 317 Congress Avenue, Mineola.

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. 117-18**

Resolved to authorize a day off for the essential employees required to work on Wednesday, March 21, 2018 for “Winter Storm Toby” when Village Offices were closed. The day off must be used within one year of the date of occurrence or it expires March 21, 2019. The day off must be used as a full day off, not partial day(s).

Motioned by Trustee George R. Durham  
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. 118-18**

Resolved to approve the hiring of Peter Pinheiro, Adelino Ferreira, and Jeremy Garcia as Laborers in the Department of Public Works, Parks Division, with a starting salary in accordance with the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Motioned by Trustee Dennis J. Walsh  
Seconded by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

**Vote:**

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
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Trustee George R. Durham		
Trustee Dennis J. Walsh		

*Superintendent of Buildings Daniel B. Whalen discussed pool installation requirements, and New York State’s new regulations which complicate pool permits, and encouraged residents to submit pool applications early; gave an update on ongoing projects, and presented a monthly report of Department activities for April 2018.*

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

**Resolution No. 119-18**

Resolved to approve the Incorporated Village of Mineola entering into a two (2) year lease with 42 Mineola Realty LLC for temporary office space at 42 East Second Street, Mineola, New York for the Water Department during construction of the new Administrative Building and hereby authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement.

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		

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

**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

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

**Sunshine Observers:** 4 Observers

Mayor Scott P. Strauss congratulated Mineola resident Edith Kahlbach on celebrating her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday; congratulated John Lodigkeit who was named Mineola Junior Firefighter of the Year; congratulated Trustee Pereira on his 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of teaching; thanked Girl Scout Troop 1447

for creating a rock garden at Mineola Memorial Library; stated that there will be two public hearings next Wednesday May 9, and stated that the Village of Mineola was ranked as one of the top 10 healthiest real estate markets in New York State as reported in *Newsday*. Mayor Strauss stated that this ranking along with the recent Moody's upgrade are positive signs.

Trustee Paul A. Pereira thanked everyone for their well wishes on his 25 years of teaching; acknowledged eight colleagues who are retiring this year from Mineola High School, and congratulated the Class of 2018.

Trustee Paul S. Cusato stated that he attended the Mineola Historical Society meeting, and they are planning an open house September 30 from 1:00 pm-4:00 pm; congratulated Mineola Junior Firefighter of the Year John Lodigkeit, and thanked Rich Nicoletto, Judi Bosworth, Maureen O'Connell, and Edward Ra for attending the Mineola Junior Fire Department installation dinner.

Trustee George R. Durham discussed the Third Precinct community forum which was held on April 24 where Inspector Daniel Flanagan met with residents and local officials, and he congratulated Nicolas Gorbea and Robert Dodson of Boy Scout Troop 200 on becoming Eagle Scouts.

Trustee Dennis J. Walsh congratulated Trustee Pereira on 25 years of teaching and recalled when they first met when Trustee Pereira was teaching in the Carle Place school district; commented on the Third Precinct community forum; reported that aggressive panhandling is not against the law per New York State, and discussed dealing with the homeless in the Village of Mineola.

Mayor Scott P. Strauss added that there will be a public hearing on Wednesday May 16 which will address aggressive panhandling, and to call 911 for all issues per the Nassau County Police Department.

*No speakers addressed the Board*

Mayor Strauss acknowledged *Williston Times* report Rebecca Klar for donating a kidney to her father.

**Mayor Scott P. Strauss requested a motion to close the Public Meeting at 7:50 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