

## **Minutes - Board Meeting 10/4/2017**

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Mineola held Wednesday, October 4, 2017 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 Public Works Thomas J. Rini

**Press Observer:** *Williston Times*

**Sunshine Observers:** 6 Observers

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

### **Resolution No. 218-17**

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. 219-17**

Resolved to approve the minutes from the meetings of the Board of Trustees of September 6 and September 13, 2017.

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		

**Resolution No. 220-17**

Resolved to authorize a grant submission to the 2017-2018 New York State Justice Court Assistance Program (JCAP) Grant submission.

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. 221-17**

Resolved to approve a request of Corpus Christi Church to use village streets for a devotional procession on Friday October 13, 2017 from approximately 9:00 PM – 10:30 PM utilizing following route:

Garfield East to Willis Avenue  
North to Grant Avenue  
West on Grant to Mineola Boulevard  
South on Mineola Boulevard to Garfield  
East on Garfield to starting place at the Church

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

*Village Clerk Joseph R. Scalero reported to the Board of Trustees on the status of the Village's TV broadcast interruption, and stated that residents were notified via email, text message, Facebook posts and the Village website.*

*Mayor Scott P. Strauss urged residents to sign up for text alerts and email messages to stay informed.*

**Resolution No. 222-17**

Resolved to approve the following payment in the amount of \$21,109.34 from the Water Reserve Fund in FY 2017-2018:

VENDOR	AMOUNT	PROJECT
Dvirka & Bartilucci	\$21,109.34	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. 223-17**

Resolved to approve the following payment in the amount of \$14,077.80 from Development Incentive Bonus Funds in FY 2017-2018:

VENDOR	AMOUNT	PROJECT
Keystone Ridge Designs, Inc.	\$14,077.80	Memorial Park Project

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. 224-17**

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

ACCOUNT	ACCOUNT NUMBER	INCREASE	DECREASE
Annual Installation Dinner	415-03	\$945.00	
Celebrations	415-05		\$945.00

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. 225-17**

Resolved to authorize a public bid for the 2017 Tree Planting Program.

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

**Vote:**  

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

**Resolution No. 226-17**

Resolved to authorize the installation of a second 10-foot curb cut at 154 Lincoln Avenue, Mineola.

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

**Vote:**  

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

**Resolution No. 227-17**

Resolved to authorize the renovation to the Women’s Restroom at Mineola Fire Department Company No. 3:

WEB Construction: \$25,000.00  
Funding Source: 2017/2018 General Fund and/or the General Fund  
Unreserved Fund Balance

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

**Vote:**  

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

**Resolution No. 228-17**

Resolved to award the contract for the Base Bid and Work Orders 1, 2 & 3 of the 2017 Roadway and Drainage Improvements Contract:

Contractor: Roadwork Ahead, Inc.  
Cost: \$1,122,891.00  
Engineers: D&B Engineers & Architects, P.C.  
Funding Source: 2017/2018 General Fund and/or the General Fund  
Unreserved Fund Balance

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

**Vote:**  

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

*Superintendent of Public Works Thomas J. Rini addressed recent comments on social media regarding tree stump removal explaining that stumps are removed several times per year. He stated that the highway department has many responsibilities including street sweeping, field and park maintenance, opening and closing the pool each season, as well as tree removal.*

**Mayor Scott P. Strauss requested a motion to close the Work Session at 7:15 PM.**

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 called the Public Meeting to order at 7:45 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.  
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Deputy Village Clerk Linda D. Pardo  
Superintendent of Public Works Thomas J. Rini

**Press Observer:** *Williston Times*

**Sunshine Observers:** 12 Observers

Mayor Scott P. Strauss began the meeting by requesting that all present observe a moment of silence for the families of Roger Fay, Lou Sanders, and the Las Vegas shooting victims for their recent losses. Mayor Strauss reported that Mineola TV has not been broadcast for several days, but will be fixed shortly; discussed several parking issues especially for Long Island Rail Road commuters; thanked John Carway for his 20+ years of service to the Village, and reported that John will be retiring from his position on the Zoning Board and will be replaced by Jim Sherry; congratulated Mathew Sanderleaf of the Mineola Fire Department Company 2 who is the recipient of the Town of Hempstead Firematic Award; congratulated Lou Santosus who was selected for the John S. DaVanzo Wall of Honor; stated that there is a new speed sign on Westbury Avenue, and an additional sign will be coming in a different area of the Village; reported that he met with the Third Precinct regarding issues at the Long Island Rail Road station, and reminded residents that October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Mayor Strauss added that the Mineola Fire Department is holding an Open House Sunday October 15 from 11:00 am – 2:00 pm, and encouraged residents to attend. Mayor Strauss commented that winter is approaching and reminded residents to move vehicles off street whenever there is more than two inches of snowfall, and not shovel snow into streets.

Trustee Paul A. Pereira discussed the problem of speeding cars, especially around schools, parks, and playgrounds, stating that parents are guilty of this too; announced the “Think Pink” girls soccer game fundraiser on Friday October 6 at Hampton Stadium at 6:30 pm; announced that the Mineola High School homecoming parade is Saturday October 7 at 4:30 pm with the inaugural football game at Hampton Stadium at 6:30 pm; congratulated Lou Santosus on being the Wall of Honor recipient; discussed the Stephen Siller Tunnel to Towers run; and extended condolences to the families of Lou Sanders, Roger Fay, and John Marks of Martins Travel Agency.

Trustee Paul S. Cusato congratulated Mat Sanderleaf on being awarded the Town of Hempstead Firematic Award and thanked the Town of Hempstead for including the Village of Mineola and Mineola Fire Department first responders; congratulated Lou Santosus on being chosen for the John S. DaVanzo Wall of Honor; reported that he attended a Mineola Historical Society meeting on September 26, and announced that a book on the history of the Village of Mineola will be released soon; announced that the Mineola Fire Department will have an Open House on Sunday October 15; extended condolences to families of Lou Sanders, Roger Fay, and Werner Gerland, proprietor of Werner’s Deli.

Trustee George R. Durham congratulated Lou Santosus for deservedly being chosen for the John S. DaVanzo Wall of Honor; discussed Breast Cancer Awareness month, the importance of early detection, and available local resources; stated that Boy Scouts Troop 45 and Cub Scouts Troop 311 have begun their annual holiday wreath sale, and announced that the Village Children’s Halloween Party is Friday October 27 from 7:00 pm – 9:30 pm.

Trustee Dennis J. Walsh congratulated Lou Santosus on being the recipient of the John S. DaVanzo Wall of Honor; extended condolences to the families of John Marks and Roger Fay, and stated that the new supermarket (formerly King Kullen) should be opening soon.

*4 Speakers addressed the Board*

**Mayor Scott P. Strauss requested a motion to close the Public Meeting at 8:54 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		