

Minutes - Board Meeting 12/06/2023

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Mineola held Wednesday, December 6, 2023 at Village Hall, 155 Washington Avenue, Mineola, New York 11501.

PRESENT: Mayor Paul A. Pereira
Trustee Paul S. Cusato
Trustee Janine Sartori
Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark
Trustee Donna M. Solosky

ALSO PRESENT: Village Attorney John P. Gibbons, Jr.
Village Clerk Bryan L. Rivera
Deputy Village Clerk Linda Pardo
Village Treasurer Giacomo A. Ciccone
Superintendent of Public Works Thomas J. Rini
Superintendent of Buildings Liam P. O’Keefe

Press Observer: None

Sunshine Observers: 2 Observers

Mayor Paul A. Pereira called the Work Session to order at 6:30 PM.

Resolution No. 299-23

Resolved to approve bills and payroll.

Motioned by Trustee Paul S. Cusato
Seconded by Trustee Donna M. Solosky

Vote:

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Mayor Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Janine Sartori		
Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark		
Trustee Donna M. Solosky		

Resolution No. 300-23

Resolved to approve the minutes of the meetings of the Board of Trustees from November 1, and November 15, 2023.

Motioned by Trustee Janine Sartori
Seconded by Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark

Vote:

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Mayor Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Janine Sartori		
Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark		
Trustee Donna M. Solosky		

Resolution No. 301-23

Resolved to approve the purchase of an upgrade of the village utility and tax programs to allow for online water bill and property tax payments at a cost of \$4,510 by Tyler Technologies.

Motioned by Trustee Paul S. Cusato
Seconded by Trustee Janine Sartori

Vote:

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Mayor Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Janine Sartori		
Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark		
Trustee Donna M. Solosky		

Resolution No. 302-23

Resolved to approve the membership of the following candidates as recommended by the Mineola Fire Department, effective November 20, 2023:

Marvin Cruz Martinez	Company 2
Jacquelin B. Manzanares	Company 2
Matteo Agudelo	Company 2
Jay Rosario	Company 1

Motioned by Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark
Seconded by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Vote:

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Mayor Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Janine Sartori		
Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark		
Trustee Donna M. Solosky		

Resolution No. 303-23

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 3, 2024 at 1:00 PM.

Motioned by Trustee Janine Sartori
Seconded by Trustee Donna M. Solosky

Vote:

Yes

No

Abstain

Mayor Paul A. Pereira

Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Trustee Janine Sartori

Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark

Trustee Donna M. Solosky

Resolution No. 304-23

Resolved to authorize Change Order No. 1 to the New Fire Department Headquarters (HVAC Work).

Contractor: RMS Industries of New York Inc.

PCO# G003 – Modified Steel for RTU Substitution (\$14,399.00)

H2M Additional Services – Reviewing revised structural loads (\$3,000.00)

This change order represents a **credit** to the Owner to offset the additional cost as a result of the Rooftop A/C Unit.

Funding Source: Capital Projects Fund

Motioned by Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark

Seconded by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Vote:

Yes

No

Abstain

Mayor Paul A. Pereira

Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Trustee Janine Sartori

Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark

Trustee Donna M. Solosky

Resolution No. 305-23

Resolved to authorize Change Order No. 2 to the New Fire Department Headquarters (HVAC Work).

Contractor: RMS Industries of New York Inc.

Credit to the Owner of unused General Allowance (\$20,370.00)

Credit to the Owner of unused General Allowance for Temp Heat (\$5,000.00)

Funding Source: Capital Projects Fund

Motioned by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Seconded by Trustee Donna M. Solosky

Vote:

Yes

No

Abstain

Mayor Paul A. Pereira

Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Trustee Janine Sartori

Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark

Trustee Donna M. Solosky

Resolution No. 306-23

Resolved to authorize the following Service Award payment from the Fire Service Award Fund to the following Mineola Fire Department Volunteer Firefighter, pursuant to the Length of Service Awards Program (LOSAP) effective January 1, 2024:

Scott P. Strauss \$740.00 monthly payment

Motioned by Trustee Janine Sartori
Seconded by Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark

Vote:

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Mayor Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Janine Sartori		
Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark		
Trustee Donna M. Solosky		

Resolution No. 307-23

Resolved to authorize the purchase of one, new 2024 International HV507 4x2 Chassis with one, new Galion 10 foot 453U Stainless Steel Dump Body, Central Hydraulic Controls for Dump, Snow Plow and Spreader Functions and one, new 10 foot Wausau Snow Plow from Onondaga County Contract No. 0010914.

Vendor: Navistar, Inc.
Cost: \$261,312.00
Delivering Dealer: Syosset Truck Sales, Inc.
Funding Source: 2023/2024 General Fund Budget and/or the General Fund
Unreserved Fund Balance

Motioned by Trustee Donna M. Solosky
Seconded by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Vote:

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Mayor Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Janine Sartori		
Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark		
Trustee Donna M. Solosky		

Resolution No. 308-23

Resolved to accept the resignation of Joseph DiMarzo, Laborer in the parking Meter Division of the Department of Public Works and approve a lump sum payout of \$2,306.55 for unused accumulated time in accordance with the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Motioned by Trustee Janine Sartori
Seconded by Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark

Vote:

Yes

No

Abstain

Mayor Paul A. Pereira

Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Trustee Janine Sartori

Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark

Trustee Donna M. Solosky

Resolution No. 309-23

Resolved to approve the promotion of Assistant Parking Field Supervisor Daniel Ramalhete to the position of Parking Field Supervisor with a 3% salary increase.

Motioned by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Seconded by Trustee Donna M. Solosky

Vote:

Yes

No

Abstain

Mayor Paul A. Pereira

Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Trustee Janine Sartori

Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark

Trustee Donna M. Solosky

Resolution No. 310-23

Resolved to approve the transfer of Sanitary Sewer Laborer Eric Ritcher to the position of Water Servicer Trainee in the Water & Sewer Division of the Department of Public Work. Work days and hours are Tuesday through Thursday, 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM, and Friday and Saturday, 3:30 PM – 12 AM. Current salary to remain the same.

Motioned by Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark

Seconded by Trustee Donna M. Solosky

Vote:

Yes

No

Abstain

Mayor Paul A. Pereira

Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Trustee Janine Sartori

Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark

Trustee Donna M. Solosky

Resolution No. 311-23

Resolved to authorize the hiring of Peter Diglio as a Water Servicer Trainee in the Water & Sewer Division of the Department of Public Works. Work days and hours are Sunday through Thursday, 3:30 PM – 12 AM with a starting salary of \$18.00 per hour.

Motioned by Trustee Janine Sartori

Seconded by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Vote:

Yes

No

Abstain

Mayor Paul A. Pereira
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Trustee Janine Sartori
Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark
Trustee Donna M. Solosky

Superintendent of Buildings Liam P. O’Keefe reported that there has been an increase in the issuance of notice of violations and stop work orders, encouraged residents to reach out to the Building Department to obtain proper permits, stated that residents need to comply with the Village ordinance regarding property maintenance issues, reminded residents that the amnesty program ends on December 29, 2023, and discussed the importance of clearing snow off sidewalks and around fire hydrants as winter is approaching.

Resolution No. 312-23

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

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; and

WHEREAS, Hearing Officer Loughran held a hearing on August 10, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees is now in receipt of the Findings and Recommended Decision, dated November 20, 2023, from Hearing Officer Loughran; and

WHEREAS, Hearing Officer Loughran has found, among other things, that the Village did not violate Article 12 of the CBA; and

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 November 20, 2023, and denies the Grievance filed by the Village employee.

Motioned by Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark
Seconded by Trustee Donna M. Solosky

Vote:

Yes

No

Abstain

Mayor Paul A. Pereira
Trustee Paul S. Cusato
Trustee Janine Sartori
Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark
Trustee Donna M. Solosky

Mayor Paul A. Pereira called the Public Meeting to order at 6:45 PM.

PRESENT: Mayor Paul A. Pereira
Trustee Paul S. Cusato
Trustee Janine Sartori
Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark
Trustee Donna M. Solosky

ALSO PRESENT: Village Attorney John P. Gibbons, Jr.
Village Clerk Bryan L. Rivera
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Press Observer: None

Sunshine Observers: 3 Observers

Mayor Paul A. Pereira extended his condolences to the families of former Trustee Betty Conlon and past President of MAA soccer Fred Wachter and discussed their contributions to the Village, stated that the Village tree lighting was a great success, encouraged residents to come to the Holiday Market on Saturday, December 9 from 1:00 to 4:00 PM in the Morgan Parc courtyard, reported that he attended the Long Island Smart Growth Summit sponsored by Vision Long Island and was a panel member discussing downtown revitalization, smart growth and transit oriented development. Mayor Pereira wished residents a happy Hanukkah and commented that two interns who have been working at the Village for three months would be returning to Portugal and thanked them for their help.

Trustee Janine Sartori thanked the Recreation Department for making the Village Tree Lighting a great success and wished residents a wonderful holiday.

Trustee Paul S. Cusato expressed his condolences to the family of Fred Wachter and reminded residents to schedule their Operation Santa visits which start Friday, December 8.

Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark wished residents a happy Hanukkah and merry Christmas, reminded residents to clear snow around fire hydrants in the case of a snowstorm, complimented Mayor Pereira on his presentation at the Long Island Smart Growth panel and commented that the lights on Mineola Boulevard and Second Street look very festive.

Trustee Donna M. Solosky announced that the Mineola Memorial Library is accepting letters to Santa and responses from Santa will be available for pickup, reminded residents that the Toys for Tots donation bin will be at the library through December 15, wished residents a happy holiday season and encouraged residents to shop locally.

3 speakers addressed the Board

Mayor Paul A. Pereira requested a motion to close the Public Meeting at 7:05 PM.

Motioned by Trustee Janine Sartori
Seconded by Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark

Vote:		
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Mayor Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Janine Sartori		
Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark		
Trustee Donna M. Solosky		

Respectfully submitted,

Bryan L. Rivera
Village Clerk