

Minutes - Board Meeting 02/07/2024

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Mineola held Wednesday, February 7, 2024 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
Superintendent of Public Works Thomas J. Rini

Press Observer: None

Sunshine Observers: 2 Observers

Mayor Paul A. Pereira called the Work Session to order at 6:45 PM.

Resolution No. 023-24

Resolved to approve bills and payroll.

Motioned by Trustee Janine Sartori
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. 024-24

Resolved to approve the minutes of the meetings of the Board of Trustees from January 3, January 10, and January 17, 2024.

Motioned by Trustee Donna M. Solosky
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. 025-24

Resolved to approve a request by the Knights of Columbus Corpus Christi Council Number 2502 for the use of six metered parking spaces on Jericho Turnpike adjacent to their premises Saturday, February 24, 2024 to facilitate a charity event.

Motioned by Trustee Paul S. Cusato
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. 026-24

Resolved to approve a request by the St. James Restaurant and Chamber of Commerce to hold a St. Patrick’s Day Parade Block Party on Sunday, March 3, 2024 from 11:00 AM – 5:00 PM on Second Street between Mineola Boulevard and Main Street.

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. 027-24

Resolved to approve a request by the Evening Star Quilters for the use of the Community Center auditorium for monthly meetings on the following Thursdays from 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM for the following dates:

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| June 6, 2024 | January 2, 2025 |
| August 1, 2024 | February 6, 2025 |
| September 5, 2024 | March 6, 2025 |
| October 10, 2024 | April 3, 2025 |
| November 7, 2024 | May 1, 2025 |
| December 5, 2024 | |

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

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. 028-24

Resolved to approve a request by the Evening Star Quilters for the use of a general purpose room for guild member sessions on Saturday, February 24, 2024 and Saturday, March 23, 2024 from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM.

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. 029-24

Resolved that the Board of Trustees adopts the standard work days and reporting requirements for certain titles of elected and appointed officials and that the resolution be posted for 30 days on the Village's bulletin board and website.

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

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. 030-24

Resolved to approve a request by Marta DeSousa-Lapierre to execute the employee health benefit buy-back option pursuant to the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

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

Abstain

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. 033-24

Resolved to authorize the Superintendent of Public Works and the Supervisor of Water Plant Operations to attend the AWWA - New York Section Water Conference in Saratoga Springs, New York from Monday, April 8 through Thursday, April 11, 2024.

Approximate Cost: \$2,000.00
Funding Source: 2023/2024 Water Fund Budget

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. 034-24

Resolved to accept the retirement resignation of William Symington and authorize the benefit time payout of \$55,787.01 in accordance with the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Motioned by Trustee Paul S. Cusato
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. 035-24

Resolved to authorize the posting of a Water Servicer Trainee position in the Water Division of the Department of Public Works.

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

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. 036-24

Resolved to authorize the \$1.00/hour salary increase for Danny Donnelly of the Water & Sewer Division as the Village’s backflow preventor tester.

Motioned by Trustee Paul S. Cusato
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

Mayor Paul A. Pereira requested a motion to close the Work Session at 6:55 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

Mayor Paul A. Pereira called the Public Meeting to order at 6:55 PM.

PRESENT:

Mayor Paul A. Pereira
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Trustee Janine Sartori
Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark
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ALSO PRESENT:

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Mayor Paul A. Pereira discussed a press conference held by Governor Hochul on January 18 where the Village of Mineola was presented with a \$4.5 million grant, discussed the NY Forward grant application process and what the funds can be used for, thanked Tom Savino and Bryan Rivera and added how proud he is of this recognition, welcomed new businesses Willow Cove Salon and Pristine Jewelry which both had ribbon cutting ceremonies recently, discussed the Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast, congratulated the Mineola High School girls bowling team on winning the Nassau County championship for the third time and wished them luck at the state tournament, announced that there will be an Irish Flag Raising ceremony on Friday, March 1 at 5:00 PM in front of Mineola Fire Department headquarters, invited all residents to come out for the St. Patrick’s Day parade on Sunday, March 3, and reported that an issue of *Mineola Moments* will be mailed to all residents soon which will include the summer concert series schedule.

Trustee Janine Sartori thanked Tom Savino and Bryan Rivera for their hard work on the NY Forward application, congratulated the Mineola High School girls bowling team on their three-peat winning the Nassau County championship, and thanked two new businesses for choosing to open in Mineola.

Trustee Paul S. Cusato congratulated everyone involved in getting the \$4.5 million grant from Governor Hochul and thanked the restaurants which donated food and the volunteers who worked to make the Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast fundraiser a success.

Trustee Jeffrey M. Clark welcomed all residents to come out for the St. Patrick’s Day parade on Sunday, March 3 and announced that the Grand Marshal dinner is February 25 at the Irish American Center.

Trustee Donna M. Solosky announced that the Mineola Volunteer Ambulance Corps will hold a Mardi Gras fundraiser at Biscuits & Barbecue on Friday, February 23 from 4:00 PM to closing.

1 speaker addressed the Board

Mayor Paul A. Pereira requested a motion to close the Public Meeting at 7:15 PM.

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		

Respectfully submitted,

Bryan L. Rivera
Village Clerk