

## **BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS**

### **MINUTES**

**January 10, 2006**

A Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights was held on January 11, 2006 at 8:01 p.m. at Borough Hall, 320 Boulevard, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ.

Borough Clerk Rose Marie Sees stated that the meeting complied with the Sunshine law, adequate notice of this meeting having been made to all members of the Council by personal service on January 3, 2006 and transmitted to The Observer, The Record and The Herald News on January 3, 2006.

**ROLL CALL:** Present: Mayor Ronald R. Jones, Councilwoman Maryetta Saccomano, Councilwoman Carol J. Skiba, Councilman Leonard Introna, Councilman Thomas E. Meli, Councilman Ronald F. Kistner, Councilman Justin A. DiPisa

Absent: None

**SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor Jones led in the Salute to the Flag and Pledge of Allegiance.

**INVOCATION:** The Invocation was given by Councilman Justin DiPisa

#### **AMERICAN RED CROSS:**

Councilwoman Saccomano had volunteered to collect donations to the American Red Cross following Hurricane Katrina. Sheread a thank you from them which read: "On behalf of the people affected by Hurricane Katrina, residents of Hasbrouck Heights is hereby recognized for exemplary dedication to the American Red Cross Mission by your generous support which made it possible for us to respond when needed. Together we can save a life."

#### **PROCLAMATION:**

A Proclamation honoring Elizabeth and Anthony Gulino was read to Mr. Gulino by Councilman Meli, with Mayor Jones and Councilwoman Saccomano assisting. This would be formally presented to Mr. Gulino on "Gulino Day" Sunday, January 15 at a special dedication in his and Mrs. Gulino's honor. The Proclamation read as follows:

"WHEREAS, it is hereby resolved to acknowledge the contributions of Elizabeth and Anthony Gulino, faithful and constant servants and supporters of the Hasbrouck Heights Free Public Library; and

**PROCLAMATION (cont'd):**

WHEREAS, Elizabeth "Betty" Gulino tutored English as a Second Language for over 20 years and carried it a step further by becoming a friend and confidant to those who needed more than just a teacher; and

WHEREAS, Betty sadly passed away this year, leaving a legacy of stories and memories that will never be forgotten; and

WHEREAS, Anthony "Tony" Gulino has given over 20 years as a tutor of English as a Second Language, organized Friends of the Library Book Sales, taking on the tremendous task of categorizing the books and organizing the leftover books that would be saved for the next sale; and

WHEREAS, Betty and Tony Gulino have volunteered their time and talent to the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights without hesitation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that we do hereby extend most sincere gratitude to Betty and Tony Gulino for giving of themselves so unselfishly for the betterment of Hasbrouck Heights, and offer our deepest sympathy to Tony Gulino and his family on the loss of one so special as Betty Gulino.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council hereby declare Sunday, January 15, 2006 as "Gulino Day" in the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights."

/s/ Mayor and Council

**PROCLAMATION:**

A Proclamation was read to Harry M. Maisch, Jr., by Councilman Meli, with Mayor Jones assisting, which would be formally presented to him at the Fire Department Installation Dinner on January 14, 2006. It read as follows:

"WHEREAS, Harry M. Maisch, Jr. was appointed to the Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department, Hook and Ladder Company#1 on October 16, 1963; and

WHEREAS, Harry M. Maisch, Jr. has served the community diligently for many years in many capacities. He served as Secretary to the Ambulance Squad in 1964, Lieutenant from 1965-1967, Captain from 1967-1969; Treasurer of Hook & Ladder Company #1 in 1964, Lieutenant from 1970-1972 and 1976-1977, Captain from 1972-1974 and 1977-1978; Lieutenant of Emergency Squad in 1966-1968 and Captain from 1968-1970; Second Assistant Chief of the Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department from 1981-1983, First Assistant Chief from 1983-1985, Fire Chief from 1985-1987 and Mechanic of Hook and Ladder Company; and

**PROCLAMATION (cont'd):**

WHEREAS, Harry M. Maisch, Jr., who has served the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights faithfully and with exceptional dedication over the past 42 years, tendered his resignation as of December 31, 2005; and

WHEREAS, during these 42 years he actively and unrestrainedly performed the duties of firefighter and/or ambulance squad member to assure the safety and well being of the residents of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that we do hereby extend sincere appreciation to Harry M. Maisch, Jr. for his dedication and perseverance which have influenced and enhanced the Borough and the progress of our community and accept his resignation with sincere regret, wishing him and his family all good health and happiness in the future.”

/s/ Mayor and Council

**PRESENTATION:**

Certificates of Accomplishment were presented to All County Football Award Recipients Joseph Armeli, Anthony Yeswita and Jeff Seidel. Councilman Kistner, assisted by Mayor Jones, presented the certificates to Joseph Armeli and Anthony Yeswita. Chief Colaneri, assisted by Mayor Jones, presented the certificate to Jeff Seidel.

A Certificate of Accomplishment was presented to Nicholas DeIcalzo who received the Bergen County Coach of the Year Award by Councilman Kistner and Mayor Jones. Coach DeIcalzo thanked the Community for all its support.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

- 1) Letter from Euclid and Lincoln School PTAs Drug Awareness Chairpersons announcing National Drug Awareness Week from Jan. 16-20, 2006 in the Hasbrouck Heights School District
- 2) Letter from Ralph Izzo, President and Chief Operating Officer of PSE&G with regard to increase in gas supply rates for residential customers.
- 3) Passaic Valley Sewerage Commission 2006 Operating Budget
- 4) Cablevision Updated Tariff Rates List effective Feb. 1, 2006

Mayor Jones asked for a motion to accept the Communications. A motion was made by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilman Meli, and unanimously carried.

**PETITIONS:** None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** None

**BILLS:**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the claims and accounts amounting to \$3,099,119.35 specified in the schedule hereto annexed, having been examined and approved by the Finance Commissioner, or his Deputy, be paid and that warrants be issued therefor.

Signed Andrew Link III  
Commissioner of Finance

On a motion by Councilman Kistner, seconded by Councilman Meli, the foregoing Resolution was approved.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**CONSENT AGENDA:** 16. Approving and Adopting Standard Tort Claim Notice Claim Forms Required by the New Jersey Intergovernmental Insurance Fund

On a motion by Councilwoman Saccomano, seconded by Councilman Meli, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Consent Agenda Resolution was approved (Copy attached).

**RESOLUTIONS:** 17. Authorizing Certain Professional Contracts Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. and 19:44A-20.5 et seq.

18. Acknowledging Tenure of Court Administrator Susan Paul

18. Authorizing Agreement for Public Health Services with Bergen County Department of Health Services

Councilman DiPisa congratulated Court Administrator Susan Paul on her accomplishment.

On a motion by Councilwoman Skiba, seconded by Councilman Meli, with Councilman Kistner abstaining from Resolution No. 17, the foregoing Resolutions were approved (Copies attached).

**APPOINTMENTS:** Emergency Management Council (Local Emergency Plan Committee) - 1 Year:

**APPOINTMENTS (cont'd):**

Ronald R. Jones, Mayor/Chairperson  
Michael Colaneri, Police Chief-EM Coord./Co-Chair  
Dr. Roger J. Szanto-Deputy EM Coord.  
Thomas E. Meli, Councilman  
Joseph Taylor, Fire Chief  
Arthur Jackson, Fire Official  
William Spindler, Acting DPW Supt.  
Marilyn deRussy, Board of Health Registrar  
Nicholas Melfi, Construction Official/Building Inspector  
Michael Kronyak, CFO/Administrator  
Robert Brady, Recreation Director  
Ralph W. Chandless, Jr., Borough Attorney  
Joseph Luongo, Superintendent of Schools  
Catherine M. Brunetti, Editor, The Observer  
Michele Reutty, Library Director

Derek Hernandez to Fire Department Engine Company One  
Francisco Lopez to Fire Department Engine Company One  
Andrea Bocker to Planning Board as Alt. 2 - 1 Year  
Anthony Niosi to Zoning Board of Adjustment - 3 Years  
Dr. Burnett Eglow to Library Board - 3 Years

On a motion by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilman Introna, with Councilwoman Skiba recusing herself from the Planning Board or Zoning Board Appointments, the foregoing Appointments were approved.

**RESIGNATIONS:** Andrea Bocker from Zoning Board of Adjustment  
Anthony Niosi from Planning Board  
Harry M. Maisch, Jr., from Fire Department Hook and Ladder Company #1 effective December 31, 2005  
Louis Castellitto from Board of Health

On a motion by Councilman Meli, seconded by Councilwoman Saccomano, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Resignations were accepted with regret.

**PRESENTATION:** A Certificate of Accomplishment was presented to Rob Brady, Recreation Director and High School Track Coach, on his being named B.C. Track Coach of the Year in 2005.

**ORDINANCE(S) ON INTRODUCTION:** None

**ORDINANCE(S) ON PUBLIC HEARING:** None

**MISCELLANEOUS FROM PUBLIC:**

Mayor Jones opened the meeting to the public. There being no one wishing to speak the Public Portion was closed.

**RECESS FOR WORK SESSION:**

Mayor Jones announced that the meeting would be recessed for Work Session, to which he invited all present to stay.

**ADJOURN:**

There being no further business to be conducted by the Mayor and Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

I, ROSE MARIE SEES, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights, do hereby certify that the foregoing Minutes are to the best of my knowledge a true account of the Mayor and Council Meeting held on January 10, 2006.

Rose Marie Sees, RMC  
Borough Clerk