

## **BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS**

### **M I N U T E S - S I N E D I E M E E T I N G**

**JANUARY 1, 2007**

An adjourned meeting of December 27, 2005 of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights was held on January 1, 2007 at 11:49 a.m. at Borough Hall, 320 Boulevard, Hasbrouck Heights, New Jersey

Mayor Jones declared the Sine Die Meeting in session, and Borough Clerk Rose Marie Sees stated that the meeting complied with the Sunshine Law, due notice having been made to all members of the Council by personal service on December 12, 2006, and transmitted to The Observer, The Record and the Herald News on December 12, 2006.

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

Absent: None

#### **REPORTS:**

**SOCIAL SERVICES AND TRANSPORTATION:** Under Social Services, Commissioner Skiba reported the following donations received: Women of St. John's Church, Lynn and Rick Taylor, Contemporary Club, Rose Purcell, Mrs. Shock, Joan Turner, Rosary Society, Amy Sees, Brownie Troop 526, Friendly Neighbors, Jane Ferrarini, the Saccomano's, Connie Margagliano, Elizabeth Carnicer, Jackie Altobelli, Mrs. Gant's Third Grade, Beverly Massiello and Troop 612, DeSantis Family, Melissa Smentkowski and Brownie Troop 1109 and Troop 1161. Under Transportation, she reported she and Police Chief Colaneri are working with NJ Transit regarding bus stops. She reported on the NJ DEP air quality study at Teterboro Airport.

**POLICE AND RECREATION:** Commissioner Kistner gave a report on his two years as Police commissioner and three as Recreation commissioner. He thanked Chief Colaneri and Recreation Director Robert Brady, noting the improvements to the soccer field at Woodland Park, concerts in the park, Halloween in the Park, Recreation Center, Battle of the Bands, basketball programs, wrestling programs. He offered his time with regard to the Athletic Field project which he strongly urged the new council to complete what he started. He thanked Councilman Meli for his friendship, Rose Marie Sees, Michael Kronyak, Councilman Justin DiPisa, former councilpersons Garrett Pepe and Marlene Verrastro.

**FIRE:** Commissioner Meli congratulated Messrs. DiNanno and Altobelli. His report included the culmination of his five years as Chamber president, four years as Library Trustee and three years as councilman. He thanked Chief Colaneri, Rose Marie Sees, Michael Kronyak, Mimi Hui and the Library Trustees. His Fire Department report included thanking Chief Thomasey, Chief Taylor, Chief Roccamo and Chief Ratkowski and the many accomplishments during his three years, new equipment received, Hurricane Katrina and Pascagoula, Mississippi and the bus crash on Route 17. He commended the members of the Fire Department as the most dedicated individuals. He thanked Mayor Jones, Councilman Kistner, Councilman DiPisa, the members of the council and the people of Hasbrouck Heights.

**PROCLAMATION:**

A Proclamation to honor Councilman Ronald F. Kistner was read by Mayor Jones which read as follows:

**WHEREAS**, it is hereby resolved to acknowledge the contributions of Ronald F. Kistner who has faithfully and effectively served as a Councilman of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights since January 1, 2004; and

**WHEREAS**, Councilman Kistner served as Commissioner of Streets and Transportation, Parks, Police and Recreation and as Deputy Commissioner of Police, Recreation, Streets and Transportation, Fire, and as Juvenile Outreach Ombudsman; and

**WHEREAS**, Councilman Kistner was instrumental in establishing and organizing the Recreation Center, Summer Outdoor Concert Series, being the liaison with townwide sports organizations and transforming the idea of making improvements to the Gary Depken Athletic Field a reality, and of sharing his time and talent on numerous occasions;

**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 gratitude to Ronald F. Kistner for his many years of service to the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights, and wish him, his wife Marie and his family good health and happiness in the future.

Signed by Mayor Jones and Members of the Council

Councilman Kistner was then presented with a Key to the City by Mayor Jones.

**PROCLAMATION:**

A Proclamation to honor Councilman Thomas E. Meli was read by Mayor Jones which read as follows:

**WHEREAS**, it is hereby resolved to acknowledge the contributions of Thomas E. Meli who has faithfully and effectively served as a Councilman of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights since January 1, 2004; and

**WHEREAS**, Councilman Meli served as Commissioner of Fire for three years making an indelible mark on that department, served as Commissioner of Sanitation, Parks and Finance, and as Deputy Commissioner of Finance, Police, Recreation and Transportation, and as liaison with the Free Public Library; and

**WHEREAS**, Councilman Meli was instrumental in establishing the Firemen's Walk of Honor, Boulevard Beautification Program, VFW Campaign, Farmer's Market, Town Wide Garage Sale; organized the trucks and equipment delivery to Pascagoula, MI after Hurricane Katrina; and has worked earnestly and tirelessly with the Chamber of Commerce and Christmas Parade Committee for many years;

**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 gratitude to Thomas E. Meli for his many years of service to the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights, and wish him and his wife Michele good health and happiness in the future.

Signed by Mayor Jones and Members of the Council

Mayor Jones then presented Councilman Meli with a Key to the City.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

<b>CONSENT AGENDA:</b>	193. Payroll
	194. Authorizing Transfer of Current Taxes Received to Taxes Overpaid
195.	2006 Budget Appropriation Transfers
196.	Interfund Transfer

On a motion by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilman Meli, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Consent Agenda resolutions were adopted. (Copies of Resolutions attached).

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Since all the business to come before the Governing Body for the year 2006 has been completed, Mayor Jones declared the Sine Die Meeting adjourned at 12:33 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 Sine Die Meeting held on January 1, 2007.

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Rose Marie Sees  
Borough Clerk