

BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS

M I N U T E S - REORGANIZATION MEETING

JANUARY 1, 2011

The Reorganization Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights was held on January 1, 2011 at 12.01 p.m. at Borough Hall, 320 Boulevard, Hasbrouck Heights, New Jersey.

The Oath of Office was administered to Councilwoman Sonya Buckman and Councilman David Gonzalez by Mayor Rose Heck with their families surrounding them.

Mayor Heck asked for a motion to open the 2011 Reorganization Meeting which was made by Councilwoman Link, seconded by Councilman Gonzalez, and unanimously carried.

Mayor Heck declared the 2011 Reorganization 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 on December 3, 2010 to The Observer, The Record and the Herald News on December 3, 2010.

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Rose Heck, Councilman Justin A. DiPisa, Councilwoman Sonya Buckman, Councilman David Gonzalez, Councilwoman Pamela J. Link, Councilman John Dingertopadre, Councilman Russell A. Lipari

Absent: None

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

SINGING OF "GOD BLESS AMERICA": Tax Collector Conchita Parker led in the singing of "*God Bless America.*"

INVOCATION: The Invocation was offered by Reverend Msgr. Lewis V. Papera, Pastor of Corpus Christi R.C. Church.

OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED TO FIRE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS:

Mayor Heck administered the Oath of Office to Fire Chief Kevin Todd, First Assistant Chief Richard Giarratana and Second Assistant Chief Patrick Hayes with their families surrounding them.

2011 BOROUGH COUNCIL COMMITTEES:

Mayor Heck requested the Borough Clerk read the following list of Borough Council Committees:

Commissioner of Finance, Social Services & Public Facilities	Pamela J. Link
Deputy Commissioner of Finance, Social Services & Public Facilities	Justin A. DiPisa
Commissioner of Police & Land Use	Justin A. DiPisa
Deputy Commissioner of Police & Land Use	David Gonzalez
Commissioner of Fire	John Dingertopadre
Deputy Commissioner of Fire	Sonya Buckman
Commissioner of Health	Russell Lipari
Deputy Commissioner of Health	Pamela J. Link
Commissioner of Streets, Sanitation & Transportation	David Gonzalez
Deputy Commissioner of Streets, Sanitation & Transportation	John Dingertopadre
Commissioner of Recreation & Parks	Sonya Buckman
Deputy Com. of Recreation & Parks	Justin A. DiPisa
Senior Citizens Ombudsman	Russell Lipari
Juvenile Outreach Ombudsman	Sonya Buckman
Library Liaison	Sonya Buckman
Drug Alliance Chairperson	Rose Heck
Municipal League Liaison	John Dingertopadre
Intergovernmental Services Liaison	Justin DiPisa
Chamber of Commerce Liaison	Sonya Buckman
Community Awareness Access for All Liaison	Pamela J. Link
Environmental & Transportation Commission Liaison	David Gonzalez
DPW Mayor's Liaison	Garrett Pepe
Fire Dept. Mayor's Liaison	Tom Meli
Recreation Dept. Mayor's Liaison	Ron Kistner
Finance Committee Mayor's Liaison	Steve Pikowski

Mayor Heck asked if there was a motion to nominate a council member as Council President for the year 2011. Councilman Gonzalez made a motion to nominate Pamela J. Link, which was seconded by Councilman Lipari, and was unanimously carried.

COMMUNICATIONS: None

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Petty Cash Funds
2. Authorize CFO to Invest Idle Funds
3. Authorize CFO to Prepare Payrolls
4. Designate Official Depositories for Borough Funds at Valley National Bank
5. Authorize CFO to Pay Medical Insurance Premiums
6. Authorize Signatures for Borough Checks
7. Designate Official Newspaper as The Observer, The Record and the Herald News
8. Set Meeting Dates for 2011 Council Meetings
9. Temporary Budget
10. Continuing Tax Settlement Committee
11. 2011 Debt Service Budget
12. Designating Number of Hours per Week as Minimum Requirement for Full Time Status
13. Authorizing Rate of Interest to be Charged for Nonpayment of Taxes
14. Adoption of By-Laws for 2011

On a motion by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilwoman Buckman, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Resolutions on Consent Agenda were adopted (Resolutions attached).

COUNCIL MEMBER TO PLANNING BOARD:

Mayor Heck asked if there was a nomination of a council member to the Planning Board. Councilman DiPisa nominated Councilman Lipari as representative to the Planning Board which was seconded by Councilman Gonzalez and unanimously carried.

NOMINATION OF PROFESSIONAL APPOINTEES FOR 2011:

Mayor Heck made the following nominations and requested confirmation by the Council:

POSITION	APPOINTEE	TERM
Borough Engineer*	Kenneth G. B. Job, P.E.	1 Year
Borough Auditor*	Paul Garbarini, Jr.	1 Year
Bond Attorney*	Steven Rogut	1 Year
Labor Attorney*	Mark Ruderman	1 Year
Appraiser*	Ernest DelGuercio, Jr.	1 Year
IT Specialist*	Cameron Arabi	1 Year
Borough Planner	Remington & Vernick	1 Year

*Subject to adoption of resolution by the Governing Body authorizing contract and further compliance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 et seq.

Chief Fin. Off.	Michael J. Kronyak	Tenure
Administrator/Treasurer/ Purchasing Agent/ Administrative Officer of Land Use	Michael J. Kronyak	1 Year
Borough Clerk	Rose Marie Sees	Tenure
Supt. D.P.W. /Recycling Coord.	William Spindler	1 Year
Asst. Supt. D.P.W.	James Schneider	1 Year
Construction Code Off./ Building Subcode Off./Prop. Maint./ Zoning Enforcement Off.	Nick Melfi	1 Year
Property Maintenance Officer	Ronald Monteleone	1 Year
Plumbing Inspector	Frank Recanati	1 Year
Electric Sub-Code Official	Scott Pomarico	1 Year
Fire Code Official	Arthur Jackson	1 Year
Hotel/Multiple Dwelling Inspector	Jesse D'Amore	1 Year
Court Administrator	Susan Paul	Tenure
Public Defender	Thomas Mason	1 Year
Public Defender Alt.	Mark Musella	1 Year
Prosecutor	Rosario Presti	1 Year
Prosecutor Alt.	Thomas Flinn	1 Year
DPW Liaison	Garrett R. Pepe	1 Year
Fire Dept. Liaison	Thomas E. Meli	1 Year
Finance Dept. Liaison	Steven Pikowski	1 Year

Borough Historian	Louise Davenport	1 Year
Dep. Borough Historian	Judi Ferrari	1 Year
Board of Health Secretary	Laura French	1 Year
Board of Health Deputy Reg.	Carol Palmieri	3 Years
Board of Health	Barbara Smith	4 Years
	Louis Castellitto	4 Years
	Lisa Ratkowski- Alt. 2	1 Year
Local Assistance Board	Mary Barone	4 Years
	Judy Mascis	3 Years
General Assessment Board	Greg Condal	3 Years
Planning Board	Mayor Rose Heck	Incumbency
Class II	Nicholas Melfi	1 Year
Alt. Class II	Dorothy Bernice	1 Year
	Henry Dobbelaar	4 Years
	Andrea Bocker	4 Years
	Dr. Gerald Sternbach	4 Years
Alt. 2	Dennis Nuzzo	2 Years
Zoning Board	Andrew Heisey	4 Years
	Andrew Link III	1 Year
Alt. 2	Cathy Brunetti	2 Years
Free Public Library	Mayor Rose Heck	Incumbency
	-Mayor's Alt. Thomas Verrastro	1 Year
	Sch. Supt. Dr. Mark Porto	Incumbency
	BOE Alt. Edwinna Carroll	1 Year
	Dr. Burnett Eglow	5 Years
Rent Leveling Board	Ronald Monteleone	1 Year
	Joan Verile	1 Year
	Concetta Militzia	1 Year
	Patricia Tobin	1 Year
	David Fanale	1 Year
	Ronald Kistner	1 Year
Recreation Programs Advisory Committee	Mayor Rose Heck	1 Year
	Council Commissioner	1 Year
	Mayor's Liaison: Ronald Kistner	1 Year
	Brenda Colaneri	3 Years
	Peter McCrystal	3 Years
	Darlene Parente	3 Years

	Anthony Bonillo	3 Years
	Katy Gasparino - Student	3 Years
Dir. Of Recreation	Robert Brady	1 Year
Committee of Community Celebrations	Laura Baker	1 Year
	Dorothy Bernice	1 Year
	Anthony Bernice	1 Year
	Mary Katherine Blanusa	1 Year
	Jennifer Brady	1 Year
	Allison Bugge	1 Year
	Michael Bugge	1 Year
	Robert Call	1 Year
	Theresa Call	1 Year
	Lois Carlson	1 Year
	Jack Coneys	1 Year
	Madeline de Velasco	1 Year
	Juana DiBisceglie	1 Year
	Kim Guido	1 Year
	Joy Hein	1 Year
	William Hein	1 Year
	Bryan Horowitz	1 Year
	Kathy Iappelli	1 Year
	Madeleine Leddy	1 Year
	Patricia Link	1 Year
	Beverly Masiello	1 Year
	Dean Masiello	1 Year
	Melissa Nazzaro	1 Year
	Helen O'Shea	1 Year
	Rose Pagan	1 Year
	Darlene Parente	1 Year
	Lisa Quish	1 Year
	Kaitlin Riordan	1 Year
	Joan Spaldo	1 Year
	Lynn Taylor	1 Year
	Louis Vizzachero	1 Year
	Brian Willard	1 Year
	Rosemary Willard	1 Year
Community Awareness Access For All Committee	Mayor Rose Heck	Incumbency
	Council Liaison: Pam Link	1 Year
	Police Chief or Designee	1 Year
	Richard Giarratana - Fire Dept. Rep.	1 Year

	Anne Ciavaglia McMahon	1 Year
	Robert Ciavaglia	1 Year
	Eric Bischoff	1 Year
	John Dingertopadre	1 Year
	Maryann Pisani	1 Year
	Brenda Colaneri	1 Year
	Dorothy McCarthy	1 Year
	Patrick McCarthy	1 Year
	Aimee McCarthy	1 Year
	Joseph Bonelli	1 Year
Environmental/Transportation Commission	Planning Board Member	3 Years
	Robert E. Maher, Jr.	3 Years
	Donna Gasser	3 Years
Ethical Standards Board:	Marilyn deRussy	4 Years
	Andrew Link III	5 Years
	Garrett R. Pepe	5 Years
Mayor's Business Community Committee	Thomas E. Meli	1 Year
	Ronald Kistner	1 Year
	Fritz Rethage	1 Year
	Ray Vorisek	1 Year
	John Kosakowski	1 Year
	Bill Kundert	1 Year
	Bill Lenox	1 Year
	Sam Papasavas	1 Year
	Mary Ellen Courtney	1 Year
	David Fanale	1 Year
	Joseph Costa	1 Year
	Jason Cosimano	1 Year
	Vickie Oller	1 Year
	Peter Gallo III	1 Year
Mayor's Research Committee	Pam Link	1 Year
	Steven Pikowski	1 Year
	William Foley	1 Year
	John Baratta	1 Year
	Carol Ann Minimi	1 Year
	Mark Nazzaro	1 Year
	Russell Lipari	1 Year
Mayor's Senior Citizens Committee	John Fitzin	1 Year

	Dorothy Fitzin	1 Year
	Peter Gallo	1 Year
	Thomas Mason	1 Year
	Andrew Link III	1 Year
	Madeleine Leddy	1 Year
	Dorothy Petroulas	1 Year
	Dolores Jones	1 Year
	Ethel Ball	1 Year
	Jack Coneys	1 Year
	Marilyn deRussy	1 Year
Mayor's Youth Committee	Robert Brady	1 Year
	Vincent Marchese	1 Year
	Kristen Marino	1 Year
	Katy Gasparino	1 Year
	Nina Messery	1 Year
	Conor DiCorcia	1 Year
	Christy McCann	1 Year
	Haleigh Machtemes	1 Year
	Chris Connors	1 Year
	David Jackson	1 Year
	Emily Condal	1 Year
	Jenna DiGiacinto	1 Year
Mayor's 9-11 Committee	Robert Brady	1 Year
	Cindy Capozzi	1 Year
	Paul Carris	1 Year
	Richard Catalo	1 Year
	Police Chief Michael Colaneri	1 Year
	Jason Cosimano	1 Year
	Councilman Justin DiPisa	1 Year
	Connie Doheny	1 Year
	Marie Gallo	1 Year
	Katy Gasparino	1 Year
	1st Asst. Fire Chief Richard Giarratana	1 Year
	2 nd Asst. Fire Chief Patrick Hayes	1 Year
	Borough Engineer Kenneth Job	1 Year
	CFO/Admin. Michael Kronyak	1 Year
	Councilwoman Pamela Link	1 Year
	Thomas Mason	1 Year
	Thomas Meli	1 Year
	The Rev. Joseph Pickard	1 Year
	School Supt. Dr. Mark Porto	1 Year
	Fritz Rethage	1 Year

	Edward Sees	1 Year
	Borough Clerk Rose Marie Sees	1 Year
	The Rev. Dianna Smith	1 Year
	DPW Supt. William Spindler	1 Year
	Fire Chief Kevin Todd	1 Year
	Chamber of Commerce Pres. Ray Vorisek	1 Year
Chief Radio		
Communications Officer	Dr. Roger Szanto	1 Year
NIMS Coordinator/ Identification Officer	Dr. Roger Szanto	1 Year
Special Law Enforcement	William Pols	1 Year
	Thomas Rubino	1 Year
	George Shihanian	1 Year
Police Matrons	Karen Carney	1 Year
	Frances L. Sanzo	1 Year
Borough Examining Drs.	Louis Napolitano, MD	1 Year
	Thomas Bellavia, MD	1 Year
	Mark Delcalzo, DC	1 Year
	David F. Porter, DO	1 Year
	Michael Shustyk, DC	1 Year
	Paul Kovatis, MD	1 Year
	Valley Health Medical Group	1 Year
School Marshals	Karen Carney	1 Year
	Jean Reyngoudt	1 Year
	Arthur Horne	1 Year
	Marilyn A. Collum	1 Year
	Christie Harrington	1 Year
	Donald E. Lucas	1 Year
	Vincent Varelas	1 Year
	Frances Sanzo	1 Year
	Renita Goldsberry	1 Year
	Agnes Anderson	1 Year
	Michael Niekrewicz	1 Year
	Paul Malin	1 Year
	Edward Powers	1 Year
	Peter Parrish	1 Year
	Robert Cuccio	1 Year

Substitute Crossing Guard and/or

Walking School Bus Guard	Gail Canavatchel	1 Year
	Helena Brady	1 Year
	Robert Blauvelt	1 Year
	Francis J. LaCorte	1 Year
	Kevin T. Makely	1 Year
	Anna Horne	1 Year
	Michael A. Gingerelli	1 Year
Fire Official U.F.S.A.	Arthur Jackson	1 Year
Assistant Fire Official	Edmund Carter, Jr.	1 Year
Fire Inspectors	Frank Pistilli	1 Year
	Albert Saulnier	1 Year
	Kenneth Kubler	1 Year
	Kevin Todd	1 Year
	Bruce Werner Jr.	1 Year
	Paul Elenio	1 Year
	Robert Knobloch	1 Year
Fire Mechanics		
Eng. Co. No.1	Christian Semenez	1 Year
Eng. Co. No.2	Michael Ratkowski	1 Year
Hook & Ladder	Peter Kolodziej	1 Year
Rescue	Daniel Wixon	1 Year
Ambulances - 603	Joseph Benkovic	1 Year
604	Patrick Mucha	1 Year
Crash/Foam Truck	James Halloran	1 Year
Public Info. Off.	Kevin Todd	1 Year
Dept. Safety Off.	Thomas Rubino	1 Year
Dept. Chaplain	Deacon Vincent deFedele	1 Year

On a motion by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilwoman Link, and unanimously carried, the foregoing Appointments were approved.

MAYOR'S YEAR END REPORT:

It is my Pleasure to present to you our Annual Report
In order to make it as interesting as possible, I have enlisted the aid of the
Council Members to read sections of it.

2010 was a very busy year that included meetings at the State House in Trenton sponsored by the League of Municipalities with Governor Chris Christie; meetings at New Jersey Transit in Newark with D.O.T Commissioner Jim Simpson and NJT Executive Director Jim Weinstein as well as monthly Breakfast meetings of the Bergen County League of Mayors held at the Arena Diner in Hackensack. All of them have been interesting with worthwhile conclusions for the Borough.

One of the Trenton Meetings was to object to the Assembly Budget Committee the Bills to dissolve the Borough of Teterboro and divide it among the Boroughs of South Hackensack, Little Ferry, Moonachie, Wood-Ridge and Hasbrouck Heights. We continue our objection not only to that dissolution, but to the proposals made by Senator Gordon and Assemblywoman Wagner that would result in the loss of revenue of close to \$200,000 divided between the Borough and the School District.

That matter has resulted in hundreds of hours of work on the part of Borough employees and this mayor to put together data and attend numerous meetings in reference to that matter.

As noted before Hasbrouck Heights will go to the courts if necessary to fight this matter and to also maintain that if that Borough is dissolved we want the return of property we gave to the Borough of Teterboro in 1918.

Our town has been prudent with its dollars; we have sought numerous grants; we have continued to make the environment better by the prudent use of open space and recycling; and we have continued our services to the community and particularly the residents of town even after the loss of over a quarter of a million dollars in revenue from the State.

I will begin with . . .

MUNICIPAL BUILDING USE

The Municipal Building continues to be very well utilized by many organizations for various meetings and gatherings. Very often every available room is occupied with three requests sometimes overlapping. This past year the Caucus Room was used for 84 events, with 87 in 2009; there were 237 events in the Community Room with 209 events in 2009; the Council Chambers was used for 60 meetings, with 69 in 2009; and the Senior Center 50 with 31 in 2009. This was in addition to the regular Senior events that occur on a daily basis, and does not take into account the Recreation Center /Community Room nights. The higher number of use in the Community Room and Senior Center was due to the 2010 Census holding training and testing in our building. The Borough Clerk's office keeps a calendar to insure that each event is recorded and there is no double booking.

PERMITS ISSUED

The Borough Clerk's office issues many permits on a daily basis. Here are some of the breakdowns for 2010. Garage Sales - 152 permits issued (not including Town Wide Garage Sale). Woodland Park - 54 permits issued. Open House signs - 5 permits issued. New Merchant - 13 permits issued. Peddler/Solicitor licenses - 27 permits issued. There were 62 requests for public records which were filled within the required time. As per new regulations, the cost for records was reduced from 75 cents for the first 10 pages, 50 cents for the next 10 pages and 25 cents for the remainder of pages to 5 cents for 8 ½ x 11 paper and 7 cents for 8/14 x 14 paper per page.

POLLING PLACE CHANGES

The polling places for Districts 3 & 4 which were moved from the Methodist Church and Districts 5 & 6 which were moved from the High School Library in 2009 appear to be working out successfully in the Senior Center and allow for easier accessibility and available parking. Districts 1 & 2 remain at Euclid School and Districts 7, 8 & 9 remain at Lincoln School. There were three elections held in 2010 including the School Election in April, Primary Election in June, and General Election in November. Special thanks to the Hasbrouck Heights Police Department and school maintenance for their invaluable assistance with elections.

AUTO WHOLESALERS LICENSES: There were 50 applications received for auto wholesaler licenses in the Industrial Zone. Renewal notices for 2011 will go out in January.

TAX COLLECTIONS AND TAX RATES

The 2010 Collection rate is on target to meet prior year collection rate at over 97%. This collection rate has been very consistent and stable over the past 10 years and is anticipated to continue to be stable. There were four residents who were granted a 100% veterans exemption on their property taxes this year.

I now call upon Police Commissioner Justin DiPisa to give the Annual Police Dept. Report.

Patrol Division

The Patrol Division is headed by Capt. Joseph Cronin.

Copies of Police Traffic Accident Reports are now available on-line as a convenience to the public and savings to the Borough. Reports can be obtained by logging on to the following site: www.hasbrouckheightsnj.policereports.us, Accident reports can be searched by report number, date and/or last name. Reports are usually uploaded 24 to 48 hours from time of accident.

In June of 2010, Sgt. Caccavella and Ptl Werner were detailed to 118 Hillside Avenue on a report of a possible drowning involving a 15 year old. Upon arrival, Officers removed juvenile from pool and began CPR. Officers continued CPR until victim started labored breathing. Juvenile was then transported to HUMC where he made a full recovery. Our congratulations are extended to the officers for the outstanding performance of their duties.

On June 12, 2010, Officer Ciccarelli was detailed to Springfield Avenue on a report of a burglary and dispute. Upon arrival accused was found at residence and arrested for burglary by Ofc. Ciccarelli. Congratulations Jim.

With cooperation from the Court and scheduling of Officers, court overtime was down from \$46,312.00 in 2009 to \$12,766.00 in 2010. This coordinated effort was initiated by Chief Colaneri who continues to do an outstanding job for the Borough in all areas.

Due to extra time, Officers worked for private contractors, the Borough was reimbursed approximately \$40,000 for the year 2010 which resulted in the purchase of a new police vehicle.

During the year, all Officers were recertified in CPR, baton and debif.

Numerous Officers were recertified with Alcotest.

Two Officers received training and became certified to operate Alcotest.

Mandatory training in firearms recert, two times a year, completed within the Borough.

The Police Department was able to answer over 11,000 calls for service

Hiring of two police officers will help with patrol duties for 2011 though the Department will still be one man down. Lt. Mullins and Ptl. Lange retired in 2010.

The Department provides security and traffic control for many Borough events, including:

The Town's Second Annual Street Fair

Memorial Day Parade

4th of July Parade

Town Day

Halloween in the Park

Christmas Parade

As well as High School sporting events.

The Department hired a Parking Enforcement Agent. This hiring helped with the parking problems on the Boulevard, freeing up parking spaces. With this hire, it also freed up patrol for other duties.

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The Department, in an attempt to share services, agreed to share our range with the Carlstadt Police, who pays the Borough a fee for its use.

In addition to answering Hasbrouck Heights 9-1-1 calls, we are a Public Safety answering point for Teterboro and Wood-Ridge who pay for these services.

Lt. Archer continues to install/check car seats. Due to a Safe Route to Schools Grant, crossing guards were outfitted with new reflective jackets and new flashing LCD stop signs paid for with that grant money.

Detective Bureau

The Detective Bureau is headed by Capt. Jack DeLorenzo.

Sgt. Joseph Rinke is assigned to the Juvenile Bureau and has taken over as the DARE Officer and is now teaching the core curriculum due to the retirement of Lt. Shawn Mullins.

The 11th Annual Junior Police Academy was held and was a huge success.

All our 2nd grade students were fingerprinted and photographed for Operation I.D.

Currently assigned to the Detective Bureau are Detective Michael Colaneri, Jr., Detective Alan Baker and Detective Scott Adamo.

The Detectives opened 205 criminal cases this year thus far. Approximately 100 arrests were made.

The Detective Bureau charged seven actors with burglary this year including three during the arrest made by Officer Armeli. Ofc. Armeli observed a wanted vehicle near the circle and a stop was made and three individuals were in possession of items from a local residence they had burglarized. These three individuals were turned over later to East Rutherford PD when proceeds from a burglary were also located in the vehicle.

Two bank robberies were solved with the assistance of the FBI, the Monmouth County Prosecutor's Office and Marlboro NJ Police Department. Maurice Richardson was charged with these robberies. Richardson was known as the shaving kit bandit.

We are currently working with the U.S. Secret Service, Greenwich CT, Middletown NJ Police Departments and Bank of America Security on the ATM skimming case.

The Department received over \$60,000 in cash and two vehicles from criminal investigations. These monies were confiscated from a case they helped solve. That case was initiated by Hasbrouck Heights. The monies are held at the Prosecutor's office for use by our department for police equipment purchases, etc.

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Numerous tours were given of Police Headquarters to school children and scouting groups.

The Department has seen a rise in identity theft reports which reflects a national trend. So we ask residents to use care and caution when responding to emails, phone calls and other solicitors who ask for personal information.

“That concludes the Police Report,” says Councilman DiPisa.

(Mayor Heck again takes over the report) My personal thanks to Chief Colaneri and his department for their outstanding work in keeping us safe.

I now ask the New Fire Commissioner John Dingertopadre to present the Fire Department's Annual Report.

2010 Fire Chief Joe Taylor supplied the following information:

- The Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department is compliant with fit testing.
- The Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department is NFPA-compliant in hose, ladder and pump testing.

As of Firematic Year ending 11-30-10:

Number of EMS Calls --- 1,469 Number of Fire Calls --- 468

Equipment Purchased in 2010:

A new ambulance, paid for in part, by a generous donation from the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey.

In 2010:

- Along with other training, Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department members attended Right to Know and Bloodborne Pathogens training.
- The Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department visited all the schools in town for Fire Prevention Week.
- Department members provided fire safety and first aid training to the Boy Scouts. They also provided fire safety information to other youth groups.
- Engine Company Two celebrated 90 years of service.
- The Department also participated in town events which included: Easter Egg Hunt, Annual Street Fair, 5K Run, Fourth of July Children's Parade, Fourth of July Fireworks, Town Day, Halloween in the Park, Ragamuffin Parade, Holiday Parade

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and Tree Lighting, Santa Around Town. Also participated in "Salute to Veterans"
ceremonies at NJ Aviation Hall of Fame in Teterboro.

(Mayor Heck thanks Councilman Dingertopadre and continues)

"I want to take the this time to recognize Former Fire Commissioner David Gonzalez for his work over the past three years and congratulate him for his work in the pursuit of the \$80,000 the Borough received from the Port Authority. That money helped us buy the new state-of-the-art ambulance we now have in service. Thank you Dave."

Councilwoman Sonya Buckman will now present the Recreation Department report.

The Hasbrouck Heights Recreation Department under the very able direction of Robert Brady has had another fun-filled exciting year. Rob always gives his thanks all of our great volunteers, and of course our many participants in the Borough's recreation programs.

The goal for our recreation department is and always will be: to include as many participants that we can safely accommodate into every single program that we offer, and to offer the most organized and fulfilling programs to our citizens and their families.

In 2010 the Recreation Department offered 12 different programs for the children of our community, six different programs for the adults in town, and nine different programs for our senior citizen community. The recreation department also runs the many different community events that the entire family can enjoy, such as Town Day and Halloween in the Park.

The Hasbrouck Heights Recreation Department does not operate but contributes Borough funds to the following other great town organizations: Little League, Junior Football/Cheering, Men's Softball, The Leisure Club, Hasbrouck Heights Soccer Association, Aviator Soccer Club, and Senior Babe Ruth.

This past year the recreation department has given over 1,000 children a safe place to play, run, shoot a basketball, wrestle, or hit a softball with their friends and families watching and cheering them on. Rob and his team also works diligently in giving the community the opportunity to enjoy special events like Town Day and Halloween in the Park in which residents participate as a family. The recreation department also offers a great working environment for many high school and college age residents: either in the Borough's Summer Camp, recreation center, or in our many sporting events.

2010-Year Highlights

- . Recreation Softball had four teams finishing at the top of their divisions in the South Bergen Softball League.
- . Continuing a partnership with 24 Hour Fitness for the benefit of our Recreation

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Youth Basketball Program, holding our First and Second Grade Clinics at 24-hour fitness with certified basketball instructors.

- The Recreation Wrestling team won the Passaic County Youth Wrestling League, and also crowned another State Wrestling Champion, Sean O'Malley.
- Actively involved with many great town events like the "Hasbrouck Heights Street Fair".
- Hosting Halloween in the Park for over 400 residents and children.
- Recreation Wrestling hosting our Hasbrouck Heights Invitational Tournament and District 5 Championship Tournament.
- Assisting the Mayor & Council in upgrading the walking path at Woodland Park, and the basketball courts and playground at Miers Park.
- Organizing our Recreation Department Senior Citizen Halloween Costume Party.
- In 2010 we had our largest summer camp registration for our "Camp Rec Trek." Added four new and exciting trips to the 2010 Summer Camp Day Trip Schedule.
- Recreation Fifth-Sixth Grade Girls' Traveling Basketball Team coached by Ken Partyka placing second in the very competitive South Bergen League Championship Game.
- Volunteer Coach, Tony Bonillo recognized as "Volunteer of the Year" by the Bergen County Executive and Board of Chosen Freeholders.

Rob, along with the entire Mayor and Council sends their thanks and appreciation to our many great volunteer coaches and programs advisors that give up so much time from their family to make sure the children and adults in our community have a safe and fun experience in our recreation programs. These volunteers make Hasbrouck Heights Recreation Department the best it can be.

That concludes the Recreation Dept. Report. Sonya turns it back to Mayor Heck

Mayor Heck comments:

On behalf of the entire Mayor and Council we thank Rob Brady for his outstanding dedication to the Recreation Department over the past years, and recognize his efforts to meet new challenges and make the Hasbrouck Heights Recreation Department better each year!

Building Department Report:

According to our Building Department residents continued the tradition of taking pride in their homes and chose to make upgrades to their property despite the downturn in the economy. After a disappointing 2009 that saw no new houses built in Hasbrouck Heights, this year we had six new houses started.

The Building Department issued 789 permits as of the beginning of 2010.

TOTAL PERMIT INCOME - \$179,663.00

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TOTAL INSPECTIONS by the Building Department were 1,608. Only 87% passed on the first inspection.

The retirement resignation of our long time Plumbing Sub Code and Inspector Richard Van Natta was accepted with thanks for his service. The appointment of Frank Recanati as the Plumbing Sub Code and Inspector brings someone on board with many years of experience and continues providing the residents with expertise in all phases of plumbing. He joins the current members of the team: Artie Jackson, Fire SubCode/Inspector, Scott Pomarico, Electrical SubCode/Inspector and Ron Monteleone, Property Maintenance Inspector.

Three applications were submitted to the Planning Board. The two subdivisions were approved and the third application for additional cell antennas was withdrawn. The Planning Board also met twice to deliberate on proposed ordinances.

26 Letters of Denial were written during 2010. 14 of these chose to continue the filing process and be heard by the Board of Adjustment. There are two residents working on the check list and are planning to be heard in January. The remaining 10 have chosen not to pursue the variance.

Property Maintenance has continued to respond to complaints and insure compliance was achieved. Necessary legal action was taken when required. Many of the unoccupied homes which took up so much of the inspector's time have been purchased during the latter half of the year and the new homeowners are being advised how to maintain the properties. We wish to thank the neighbors at some locations who cut the grass and maintained the property of their neighbors who lost their homes during the summer months. These are difficult times for residents due to the economy.

The Construction Code Official/Zoning Officer has office hours on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. The Property Maintenance Inspector has Office hours from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. on Monday and Wednesday. These office hours were established to better serve the public. The Construction Code Official has 20 working days to give plan approval on permit applications and this department's goal has met the goal of getting the applications through the approval process in a much shorter time.

Our thanks to Nick Melfi and Dorothy Bernice for all of their hard work; this is one of those departments that has lots of responsibility in the performance of their very difficult duties.

I would like to call upon Board of Health Commissioner Russell Lipari to give that department's annual report.

- Secretary/Registrar Laura French is to be congratulated for her work.
- The following is a list Health Department Services provided for the year 2010
- Fees Collected for 2010: \$85,268.60

- Health Inspections: 740 of various natures, by Mid-Bergen Health Commission
- Dog Licenses: 1168 licenses
- Dog License Fees: \$17,205.00
- Animal Control Services: 356 responses of various natures
- Births Recorded: 106 babies born to town residents.
- Town Resident Deaths: 87 residents
- Total Deaths Recorded: 1015 Deaths
- Marriage Licenses Issued: 45 Applied
- Civil Union: 0 Applied
- Certified Transcripts: 2,315 issued (Deaths, Marriages & Births)

The Board of Health was very successful this year with providing services and information to the residents of Hasbrouck Heights. The Health Dept. published valuable information about "Six Tips for Optimal Sleep" and "The Facts About Norovirus." The Health Department held its first "Annual Blood Screening Program" on Thursday, May 27th. This program is an excellent opportunity to check on your body's internal wellness. Another program offered was the Family & Friends CPR course on Wednesday, July 14th. The class helped families learn specific CPR skills for an infant and adult/child. The Board of Health also offers important Health Clinics like the Annual Senior Flu Program, which was held on Friday, Oct. 22nd. The Board of Health in conjunction with Mid-Bergen Regional Commission also held two "All in One" flu & H1N1 vaccine program for children on Nov. 8th and Dec. 6th. Another important event is the annual Health Fair, which was held on Saturday, Oct. 16th. This year's event had 29 vendors and medical personnel offering valuable health screenings, samples, and literature to the many who attended. This year's Senior Wellness Luncheon was held on Thursday, Aug. 19th and was a big success. There were over 100 seniors who enjoyed the complimentary lunch donated by Care One at Wellington. The speaker during the luncheon was Kate McDougall, from H.A.R.P. who spoke about the importance of certain vaccinations for adults. Along with other programs offered like the Child Health Services, the monthly Health Consultations, AARP Safe Driver Program, and the Annual Dog Census, The Board of Health is dedicated in improving all our resident's health and well being through valuable services and education. The Board of Health meet once a month in the Council Chambers and residents are encouraged to attend.

Mayor Heck gives the Annual Library Report

The Library is a very friendly and busy place with so much to offer our residents. Mimi Hui is its director and she leads a very wonderful and talented library staff.

The Free Public Library of Hasbrouck Heights continues its resource sharing among 75 member libraries of the Bergen County Cooperative Library System (BCCLS). Our community has access to over 5.5 million items. Hasbrouck Heights was the very first member library to go online.

Annual Circulation Stats (as of Dec. 27th)

* 116,941 items were circulated to date. An increase of 3% from last year's total circulation of 113,192.

This is the highest figure ever recorded in the history of this Library.

- * 578 people use the computers each week.
- * 123,892 people walked through the doors of our library.
- * 7,855 residents have a Hasbrouck Heights library card.
- * 4,356 reference questions were answered.

Library services include circulating a variety of books and media to our patrons, programs for residents of all ages, and interpersonal services such as reference and referral, material loans, free internet access, notary public services, proctoring exams and computer training classes. Patrons' needs are anticipated by keeping an eye on current trends and cutting edge technology. The Library offers free downloading of audio-books and e-books. In the coming year the library's collection of DVDs will grow to include foreign films (such as Bollywood, Korean, Chinese) and possibly blu-ray titles will be expanded.

Programming:

The Free Public Library's programs continue to flourish and draw people of all ages. To date, 4,861 people attended 317 library sponsored programs. There are book discussion groups for children and teens, a variety of self-help seminars for adults, and craft programs.

The very popular Crafts-to-Share Club draws a dedicated following under the very able direction of Reference Librarian Melissa Singlevich. The ladies from the program have continued to volunteer their time, materials, and talent to knit and crochet blankets, hats and other items to donate to the Hackensack Medical Center. A total of 3,893 hours of donated time was given in 2010

The attendance for the Young Adult Programs continues to grow under the care and direction of Reference/Young Adult Librarian Catherine Dodwell. They include innovative and successful cross generational craft and educational programs where teens and adults are in one room as they learn from one another. This past year, we collaborated with the American Bridget Association (ABA) to offer lessons on how to play bridge for teens and adults.

Children's activities continue to bring in high attendance. There are always wonderful and creative year round programs being sponsored for all age groups. After 24 years, our beloved Children's Librarian Rosalie Nickles retired at the end of July. In her place, Marie Joyce is the new Children's Librarian. She continues the tradition of all the wonderful programs the Hasbrouck Heights Public Library has always offered the children of our community.

The Library facilities continue to offer space for local organizations to meet – 145 groups used the meeting rooms this year. A total of 1,978 people met at the Library for meetings.

The public can register for various library programs from the comfort of their homes by going to the library's website – <http://hasbrouckheights.bccls.org>

2010 Memorable Moments

In March, the Library entertained the NJ Library Champion and Ringmaster Johnathan Iverson and the Clowns from the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus for a "one of a kind performance" to promote the importance of reading. 245 people registered for this event. As Mayor I presented the Ringmaster with the Key to the Borough and the Library dedicated two children's books in his honor.

In August, the Library held its annual family summer bash. This year's theme was called -- Enchantment Under the Sea. Special thanks to all the borough agencies and individuals involved in making it a smashing success. This event was held to promote and to encourage families to spend quality time together. 350 people were in attendance

Funding included a Per Capita State Aid Grant of -- \$ 5,000 that was used towards operating Expenses.

Friends Of The Library are to be thanked for their many years of Library support. President Judy Mascis and the Friends help finance all children's and young adult programs, and pay for all the refreshments and prizes. They have been diligent in planning fundraisers throughout the year to help support library activities. Besides having two seasonal book sales, they also held an Afternoon in Italy Luncheon, a Wine & Delights fundraiser in partnership with the Chamber of Commerce, and participated in the Town-wide Street Fair. To date, \$ 10,576 has been donated to support ongoing activities. This year it included a portable wireless sound system. Through the generous donations of community minded individuals, the Friends' Endowment Fund, whose mission is to provide for library programming and to keep the Library on the cutting edge of technology, paid for part of the installation of the computer reservation system. This allows the public equal time and use of the public computers.

In conclusion, the Library continues to provide the community with outstanding public service. Mimi and her staff work hard to offer quality service as we move forward to meet whatever challenges come their way. We are very proud of the library and congratulate them on another banner year of service to the community. The Library continues to offer a wealth of resources and services to the community and an opportunity for lifetime learning.

This concludes the Library Report and now Department of Public Works and Environmental and Transportation Commissioner David Gonzalez will present their Annual Report.

The following information was prepared by D.P.W. Superintendent Bill Spindler.

It is a review of the many improvements and events that the Department of Public Works has been involved in throughout 2010.

The Department of Public Works aids and assists other departments and agencies within the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights.

The DPW helps assist Robert Brady with many of the events sponsored by the Recreation Department. Town Day and Halloween in the Park are just two of many fine programs that we are proud to help with. Other events such as the "Fourth of July;" Fireworks show sponsored by the Hasbrouck Heights Lions Club is another great tradition that we proudly assist with every year.

A lot of preparation goes into our Holiday Parade that is featured on the Friday that follows Thanksgiving. The streets and sidewalks in the business district are cleaned and swept as well as barricades and cones are put in place for traffic control. A complete clean-up after the parade is needed to allow for a pleasant day of shopping on Saturday. Another great event is our Street Fair which usually takes place in early spring. The DPW provides garbage and recycling collection along with any assistance that may be needed. When the events are over the DPW works quickly to put the Boulevard back in order.

The Public Works Department evaluates its performance after each event making future improvements that will effectively streamline the operation and insure a safe environment to be enjoyed by all.

The D.P.W. works in cooperation with the Board of Education in such capacities of tree trimming and removal, snow removal as well as providing road salt during the winter months, garbage and recycling collection programs, and mechanical repairs to some BOE vehicles.

The Department of Public Works provides many services under several different headings such as Buildings & Grounds, Shade Tree, Leaf Removal, Recycling, Road Repairs/Maintenance, Garbage and Trash Collection, Sewer Maintenance, Parks and Playgrounds.

Last year the department responded six (6) snow events. Three storms brought out the DPW salting equipment and the other three (3) totaled snow accumulations of 43 inches over the winter season. The Borough was reimbursed \$9,530.00 by Bergen County for services rendered on the county roads within our town limits.

A Nor'easter hit Hasbrouck Heights on March 13, 2010 causing severe damage which brought down 24 borough trees and power outages that lasted up to seven (7) days. William Spindler and Michael Kronyak met with a representative of FEMA and submitted costs related to the storm clean up. The Borough will be reimbursed in 2011.

Several parks have had improvements completed with funding available through the use of grants. Miers Park is complete with new certified playground mulch under a new multi-task playground set surrounded by new fencing. A shade canopy was installed replacing the older outdated one that could not be repaired. Two new basketball courts were also installed and a new retaining wall and walkway was part of the improvement.

At Woodland Park, a new walking pathway was designed and created not only for walking but for jogging, bike riding, or pushing a baby stroller. The pathway can be enjoyed by all.

New curbing and asphalt were installed around and near the pavilion area to prevent soil erosion that was occurring in that area. The "Strata Stone" was also installed in the playground area. The stone is used for rock climbing and is the only one of its kind in the State. We have applied for more grants so Hasbrouck Heights can keep improving its park facilities.

Our enhanced Recycling Program continues to be successful. At 2009 year end, Recycling vs. Solid Waste, the Borough recycled 1,021.40 tons of cardboard, newspaper, commingled, and metal for a savings of \$83,754.80. (Had these items been disposed of in the landfill). We also received \$14,718.59 in revenue from a declining market for a total savings of \$98,473.39. We are proud of those numbers and will work to encourage residents and businesses to increase their recycling efforts so that the Borough's disposal costs can be further reduced. Totals for the 2010 will not be available until the Recycling Tonnage Report is filed with the State in May.

Hasbrouck Heights is part of a shared service agreement with several communities in conjunction with the Teterboro Airport Wildlife Management Team. The airport purchased a Goose Feces Collection Sweeper that can be used to clean areas throughout the town where geese are flocking. Other participants include Moonachie, South Hackensack, and Little Ferry.

The DPW underwent several State inspections in 2010 such as OSHA, Right-To-Know (RTK), and Department of Labor. The results were forwarded to the Borough Administrator with complete approval by the State.

The DPW is continuing to explore new programs this year such as liquid salt brine application to our streets before snow events, expanding recycling to include carpeting to avoid solid waste dumping fees, and experimenting with pesticide free products in our parks in conjunction with the Environmental Commission.

We are very proud of D.P.W. Supt. Bill Spindler and Asst. D.P.W. Supt. Jim Schneider and all the members of The Department of Public Works for the outstanding work they do in so many areas. We are told the D.P.W. is ready for the challenges in 2011.

Thank you for the wonderful work you all performed during and after the Blizzard of Dec. 26, 2010.

Finance Commissioner Pamela J. Link will present the Finance Report submitted by Borough Administrator and Chief Finance Officer Michael Kronyak

Capital Improvements:

Miers Park and Woodland Park

Miers Park received a much needed improvement. The project included removal of the old pavilion, concrete slab and fencing. A new 18'X18' pavilion was installed on a new concrete slab. The basketball court has been reconstructed and new playground equipment

The improvements at Woodland Park continue. This project included the rebuilding and extending of the walking path. The asphalt on the basketball courts next to the pavilion has been removed and replaced and a new barrier curb installed at the west side to prevent erosion. Future improvements will include the replacement of the pavilion with the help of a \$69,500.00 Open Space Grant.

The total budget for the Miers Park/Woodland Park improvements to date is \$250,000.00 with \$46,208.00 from a Community Development Block Grant and \$80,000.00 from Bergen County Open Space funds.

BOULEVARD STREETScape

This year brought about the continuation of the Boulevard Streetscape Improvement project. The Borough was awarded two Department of Transportation Trust Fund grants in the amount of \$150,000.00 each for a total of \$300,000.00. The Borough put up \$50,000.00 for each grant received bringing the total for Phase I and II to \$400,000.00. With the installation of the cross walks and striping the first two phases have been completed.

The good news is the project continues with the award of \$140,000.00 in Department of Transportation Funding towards Phase III. This project is scheduled for 2011 construction. Hopefully we will be successful in our application for future funding and the improvement plan can continue. Our application for Phase IV has been submitted to the Department of Transportation.

Grant Applications

The following grants were either utilized in the 2010 operating budget or have been awarded this year for use in 2011 to pay for services that would otherwise have to be funded by your tax dollars:

Governors Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse	11,356.00
Clean Communities Program	17,159.25
Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund	7,055.19
Alcohol Education and Rehabilitation Fund	1,717.15
Recycling Tonnage Grant	14,367.03

Grants are also sought for the funding of Capital Projects. These grants help us complete large projects, which do not fall within the operating budget, without incurring additional debt.

The following projects are either completed or in progress in 2010 as a result of grants received:

Boulevard Streetscape Improvement Phase I & II	150,000.00
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Improvements to Miers Park and Woodland Park	126,208.00	
Boulevard Streetscape Improvement Phase III	140,000.00	
Improvement of a Portion of Jefferson Avenue	90,000.00	
Safe Routes to Schools Program	173,000.00	
Installation of a New Pavilion at Woodland Park	69,500.00	
Additional Improvements to Depken Field	75,000.00	
Side/Curb Replacement along Terrace, Boulevard And Passaic	135,000.00	
Improvements to Burton and Collins Avenues	81,000.00	

In addition to the above, the Mayor and Council have already applied for grants that will fund projects such as:

- Acquisition of Gear and Equipment for the Fire Department
- Improvement of a Portion of Division Avenue
- Barrier Free Curb Ramps along Burton Avenue and Summit Avenue
- Improvements to Fireman's Memorial, Veteran's Memorial and Polify Park

Tax Collections and Tax Rates

The 2010 tax collection rate should remain relatively stable at over 97%. The Borough has suffered a loss in rateables and collections due to increased tax appeals as a result of the economic downturn.

Borough Debt

As of the end of 2010 the Borough's Net Debt was \$9,180,718.48, or approximately 0.49% of Net Assessed Valuation, well below the allowable limit of 3.5% of Net Assessed Valuation. The Borough paid off \$1,050,500.00 in 2010 and incurred additional debt in the amount of \$110,000.00, a net reduction in debt in the amount of \$940,500.00 for the year ended Dec. 31, 2010.

Thank you Pam I will continue with the Budget and Finance Committee Report

The Budget and Finance Committee comprised of Finance Chair Pam Link, Vice Chair Justin A. DiPisa, CFO Michael Kronyak and I worked very hard to formulate a Budget that both met the needs of the residents and minimized the impact on taxes. New for 2010 was a requirement that the budget comply with both the 4% Tax Levy Cap and the Budget Appropriation Cap, our budget met these requirements. This was no easy task. The total Borough Budget increased by only \$128,345.94 in 2010. This includes all salary increases as well as increases in utilities, fuel and all other expenses as well as an increase in the amount of \$102,839 for Pension Costs. Health benefits increased by \$112,000.00, which was partially offset by employee contributions in the amount of \$41,000.00.

We continue to take advantage of the decreased interest rates to apply more funding to retiring debt. The 2010 budget paid off Bonds in the amount of \$375,000.00 and Notes in

On the revenue side of the budget State Formula Aid was decreased by \$278,447.00. Other revenues are affected by the economy such as interest on investments and construction permits and this all needs to be considered by the Finance Committee. Total anticipated revenues for 2010 decreased by \$415,421.00, the loss of revenues was the bigger budget problem for 2010.

As challenging as the 2010 budget was it looks as if 2011 will be even tougher. Revenues have not rebounded and we might be facing additional aid cuts. The finance committee will work with the same dedication in an effort to formulate a budget that meets the needs of the residents with a watchful eye on the tax rate. These are challenging times and they require much time and work.

I am proud of the work we all did in 2010 but will ask for more sacrifice and hard work in 2011.

As we go through the year, I will report as to our progress and continue to reach out to those experts who offer their expertise and help to our already exceptionally talented staff. We are indeed fortunate to have people like Michael Kronyak and Rose Marie Sees in leadership roles. They keep us well informed and run a tight ship.

In closing it is incumbent upon me to commend our volunteers without whom we would not be able to offer so much to our residents. As you are aware we also have created a special Committee to plan for the 2011 Commemorative Program and Project and we have 21 people who have agreed to serve; My thanks to each and every one of you.

My sincere thanks and appreciation to those in every department as noted in previous reports and especially to the volunteers on all of the following important committees and boards:

- Planning and Zoning Board Members
- Board of Health Members
- Library Board Members
- Recreation Program Advisory Committee Members
- Food Pantry Staff Members
- Ethical Standards Board Members
- Local Assistance Board Members
- Rent Leveling Board Members
- Members of the Environmental and Transportation Commission
- Members of the Community Awareness Access for All Committee
- The Mayor's Community Celebrations Committee Members
- The Mayor's Research Committee Members
- The Mayor's Senior Citizens Committee Members
- The Mayor's Youth Committee Members

The Mayor's Business Community Committee Members

Mayor's Liaisons

Garrett Pepe - the D.P.W.

Tom Meli - the Fire Dept.

Steve Pikowski - the Finance Dept.

Ron Kistner - the Recreation Dept.

I know that the residents of Hasbrouck Heights are happy to know that we have a very diligent and hard working core of people who care for us and our Borough 24/7. When in need they are there for us. And Remember you are the eyes and ears of our community. That is why I am in the Library on Saturdays from 10 am to noon so that you may stop by to talk with me; let me know what you like and don't like; what new programs you would like to see; what new ideas you have to share and last but not least, if you want to serve on a committee, please let me know.

Thank you all, and Happy New Year!

MISCELLANEOUS FROM THE COUNCIL:

Councilman DiPisa wished everyone a Healthy and Happy New Year, thanked his wife Rosemarie and family, the councilmembers and esteemed Mayor Rose Heck who works tirelessly to listen and to work for the benefit of all residents of Hasbrouck Heights.

Councilwoman Buckman wished everyone a Happy New Year, and thanked her family, her husband Jack and children Joe and Bridget. Being on the council takes up a lot of time not only for meetings, but committees and various organizations. She also thanked the Mayor and Council, Mike Kronyak, Ro Sees for their guidance and looks forward to working for the people of Hasbrouck Heights, to be their sounding board and be available. Her cell phone number is 201-927-5562; e-mail is scbuckman@ verizon.net.

Mayor Heck congratulated Councilwoman Buckman and Councilman Gonzalez on their successful election.

Councilman Gonzalez thanked his family, including his wife, mother-in-law, sister-in-law and niece who was thrilled to hold the Bible for him today. He thanked the residents for giving him another three years. He thanked our Police and Fire Departments and DPW, noting that a lot of work is done behind the scenes. He also thanked Mike Kronyak and Ro Sees for their never ending time. He thanked the Mayor and Council members for their support. He said the most difficult thing faced in 2010 was the possible dissolution of Teterboro and the Mayor's work in making sure that did not happen, especially at the open meeting in Hackensack and the impact she had. He wished everyone a healthy and Happy New Year and asked everyone to keep God first place in your heart, he could take you to places you never dreamed of.

Councilwoman Link again congratulated Councilwoman Buckman and Councilman

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Gonzalez and wished everyone a Healthy and Happy New Year. She thanked all Borough employees, volunteers and invited everyone at the end of this meeting to join them in the Senior Center for some light refreshments.

Councilman Dingertopadre wished everyone a Happy New Year and hoped this year would be better for everybody.

Councilman Lipari thanked everyone including Mayor Heck, Councilman DiPisa and Councilwoman Link, to Connie Doheny, Lori French, Michael Kronyak, Ro Sees and Ralph Chandless. It was an honor to serve and hoped next year would be a healthy, happy and prosperous year for everyone.

Mayor Heck asked for a motion to open the meeting to the public which was made by Councilman DiPisa, seconded by Councilwoman Link and unanimously carried.

Mayor Heck said that she and the Council enjoy doing this work, it is an obligation but also a pleasure, that this is a council dedicated to residents. It is a great team.

Andrew Link (former Councilman), 221 Harrison Avenue, asked for two things, a silencer for the entrance door and a handicap ramp at the rear of the building. He thanked the Borough department heads, the Mayor and Council. The Borough of Hasbrouck Heights proves that they do work together and this Borough maintains itself in appearance, it is a pleasure to drive down any streets as the houses are well maintained.

There being no one else wishing to speak, Mayor Heck requested a motion to close the public hearing which was made by Councilman Gonzalez, seconded by Councilwoman Buckman, and unanimously carried.

BENEDICTION: The Benediction was offered by Deacon Vincent DeFedele of Corpus Christi R.C. Church.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to be conducted by the Mayor and Council, Mayor Heck asked for a motion to adjourn which was made by Councilman Lipari, seconded by Councilman Gonzalez, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 1:36 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 Reorganization Meeting held on January 1, 2011.

Rose Marie Sees
Borough Clerk