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2015 Year in Review

Mayor Recaps Township's Many Accomplishments

Mayor Doug Tomson presided over his last Township Committee meeting on Tuesday, December 29th as his Mayoral term nears an end. Before getting to the general business of the meeting, the outgoing Mayor recapped the 2015 term as a year of many accomplishments for the Township.

"It certainly is no secret as I tout this every chance I get, but I love this town, my hometown, Hillsborough, New Jersey. It has been my honor and my pleasure to have had the tremendous fortune to serve as the Mayor of my hometown, Hillsborough Township, for the year 2015," began Mayor Tomson.

"Hillsborough had yet another stellar year; some of the highlights included: increased communication with the redesigned weekly e-newsletter, actively utilizing Twitter, and further expansion of the Honeywell Instant Alert Messaging System. The Township also kept to the promise made to the residents last January to ensure that we kept our budget below the 2% property tax cap and did not take advantage of any of the loopholes allowed by law. We have continued to focus on our Senior Community by hosting the second annual Hillsborough Senior Olympics while the Senior Transportation Program received a new 2015 Ford Goshen Bus. Our Veterans remain a focal point of our appreciation with the Annual Salute to Veterans Breakfast, the Annual Purple Heart Ceremony and the Veterans Day evening ceremony," added Mayor Tomson.

"In terms of recognition for the Township, Hillsborough was once again named to Money Magazines Best Places to Live for 2015, the only town in New Jersey to be on the 2015 list. Additionally, Hillsborough ranked the 7th best place to live in New Jersey according to the PhillyVoice. Hillsborough, according to Niche, was a top suburb to raise a family and

SafeWise ranked Hillsborough 11th safest town. The Township was also recognized for adopting a Complete Streets Policy, received the New Jersey Smart Workplaces Platinum Award and re-certified at the Silver Level for Sustainable Jersey,” continued Mayor Tomson.

“We brought back the Town Calendar in 2015 and are awaiting the 20th Anniversary edition of the Business Community Map and finally we saw the opening of a dog park located at AVM,” concluded the Mayor.

“Not once, but twice Hillsborough participated in the New Jersey Devils My Town Series in which Hillsborough Township was highlighted at a National Hockey League game at the Prudential Center, home of the New Jersey Devils,” added Mayor Tomson.

“As I say my last good byes, it has been quite a year and once again I thank the amazing residents of the Township for your continued support. Hillsborough would not have been able to earn all of this recognition without our fine Municipal employees; I thank them as well, their tireless dedication to our residents is truly appreciated. And lastly, my colleagues here on the dais, I have been truly honored to work with you as Mayor this past year and I am thankful for your continued friendship and support,” concluded Tomson.

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