



Thomaston Bulletin

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Dedication of the Robert Stern Village Hall

On Wednesday, September 9th a crowd of more than thirty guests joined Mayor Steven Weinberg and the Board of Trustees in honoring former Mayor Robert Stern for his many years of dedicated service to the Village.

Mayor Weinberg opened the dedication ceremony outside by unveiling the new “Robert Stern Village Hall” sign. Guests then gathered inside where Mayor Weinberg began the program with a speech which highlighted Bob Stern's many accomplishments during his eighteen year tenure as Mayor.

Among those in attendance were former Thomaston resident and current New York State Comptroller, Tom DiNapoli; New York State Senator, Jack Martins; Sandra Portnoy on behalf of New York State Assemblywoman Michelle Schimel; Town of North Hempstead Supervisor, Judi Bosworth; Nassau County Legislator, Ellen Birnbaum; Great Neck Plaza Mayor Jean Celender and Lake Success Mayor Ron Cooper, all of whom praised former Mayor Stern for his tireless commitment and dedication to serving the residents of the Village of Thomaston

In 1995, Bob Stern was elected Trustee of the Village of Thomaston. He was elected Mayor of the Village in 1997, and served as Mayor until his retirement on September 9, 2014. During his tenure as Mayor, the Village entirely rebuilt its infrastructure of roads and sidewalks, planted hundreds of new trees, reorganized and completely re-equipped its Public Works Department, streamlined Village administration for greater economic efficiency, and instituted many other projects, and innovations. This was all accomplished with a keen sense of fiscal responsibility. Despite all the Village's new activities and services, the average annual Village property tax rate for the past ten years has increased by less than 1%, with no increase in the Village tax rate for past six consecutive years.



Mayor Weinberg addresses the guests



Former Mayor Robert Stern



NYS Comptroller Tom DiNapoli presents a proclamation to Robert Stern



NYS Senator Jack Martins



Mayor of Great Neck Plaza, Jean Celender



Town of North Hempstead Supervisor Judi Bosworth



Nassau County Legislator Ellen Birnbaum



DPW Superintendent William Mazurkiewicz, Bldg. Inspector Joe Chearmonte & DPW Laborer Dave Distilli with Bob Stern