

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JERSEY VILLAGE, TEXAS, HELD ON JANUARY 21, 2011 AT 11:30 A.M. IN THE CIVIC CENTER, 16327 LAKEVIEW, JERSEY VILLAGE, TEXAS.**

This was a posted Special Meeting of the City of Jersey Village City Council for the purpose of attending a City of Jersey Village Staff Retirement luncheon honoring Police Chief Charles N. Wedemeyer, Jr. held on January 21, 2011 at 11:30 a.m. in the Civic Center, 16327 Lakeview, Jersey Village, Texas.

A quorum of the members of the Jersey Village City Council met to attend the luncheon ceremony as follows:

Mayor, Russell Hamley  
Council Member, Joyce Berube  
Council Member, Rod Erskine  
Council Member, Curtis Haverty  
Council Member, Mark Maloy

Mike Castro, City Manager  
Lorri Coody, City Secretary

Council Member Jill Klein was not present.

Staff in attendance: Mark Bitz, Fire Chief; Eric Foerster, Chief of Police; Danny Segundo, Director of Public Works; Isabel Kato, Director of Finance; and Michael Brown, Director of Parks.

No official business for the City of Jersey Village was conducted at this ceremony. This writing is for historical purposes only in order to record the events of this occasion.

The event began at 11:30 a.m. with the arrival of guests and the guest of honor, Charles N. Wedemeyer, Jr. Detective Sergeant, C. J. Harper opened the program by welcoming the honoree, his family, and guests. After Fire Chief, Mark Bitz gave the blessing, all were invited to enjoy a meal of barbeque prepared and served by Gabby's BBQ.

At or near 12:00 p.m., the formal portion of the Retirement Luncheon began with opening remarks from City Manager, Mike Castro who introduced the present Chief of Police, Eric Foerster to make a few brief remarks.

Chief Foerster congratulated Chief Wedemeyer on his retirement and told those gathered about Chief Wedemeyer's 14 years of service with the City of Jersey Village. Under Chief Wedemeyer's leadership, the Jersey Village Police Department has made tremendous progress. Due to the Chief's contributions and innovative ways, a culture of enrichment for the entire departmental staff had been created. Additionally, he created a positive working relationship with other Criminal Justice entities and area organizations that will certainly benefit the police department for years to come.

In completing his remarks, Chief Foerster introduced C.J. Harper, the Master of Ceremony for this event who recognized special guests attending the event. Some of those recognized included:

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Mayor, Russell Hamley and Council Members Joyce Berube, Rod Erskine, Curtis Haverty, and Mark Maloy

Carolyn Cross – Lone Star Chevrolet

Ralph Samuels – Joe Meyers Imports

Lynn Wedemeyer – Scott Wedemeyer – Eric Wedemeyer – Jennie Wedemeyer

Dave Straughn and Ralph Gonzalez - Cy-Fair ISD

Eddie Macaluso – Harris County Sheriff's Office, Retired

Don Knighton – Harris County Sheriff's Office, Retired

Dr. John Matthews – Harris County Sheriff's Office, Retired

Dr. Mark Keller – Harris County Sheriff's Office, Retired

Investigator J. J. Freeze – Harris County Sheriff's Office

Investigator Steve Conroy – Harris County Sheriff's Office

There were over 120 attendees at this luncheon, which was entirely funded by donations.

In completing the recognitions, Detective Sergeant Harper asked the City Manager to come forward to make the presentation of special items given to Chief Wedemeyer in memory of the event. The items were as follows:

- Presentation of computer by Carolyn Cross – Lone Star Chevrolet
- Presentation of Proclamation from County Commissioner Jerry Eversole by City Manager Castro
- Presentation of framed shirt by City Manager Castro
- Presentation of firearm by City Manager Castro
- Presentation of briefcase by City Manager Castro on behalf of the Jersey Village Police Department employees,
- Presentation of badge and retired credentials by Chief Foerster
- Presentation of flowers to Lynn Wedemeyer by Chief Foerster

Chief Wedemeyer addressed the group following the presentation of gifts. He expressed his thanks for the gifts. He was very touched by the number of friends attending, and was especially touched that his entire family was present.

The event closed with thanks to all for coming and a photo session with Chief Wedemeyer in order to prepare a visual keepsake of the event.

The event concluded at 12:45 p.m.

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Lorri Coody, City Secretary