

**BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 8
MINUTES OF THE AGING COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON MARCH 15, 2016 AT
RIVERDALE HOUSE**

PRESENT

Lisa Daub
Anthony Creaney
Marvin Goodman
Irving Ladimer
Karen Pesce
Georgia Santiago
I.W. Stone
Sharon Asherman
Enrie Morales
Diana Amador
Barbara Clark
Maritza Ortiz
Amy Joy Robateau
Lourdes Santacruz
Francine Scherer
+20 Community Residents
+ 7 NYPD Officers

AFFILIATION

CB8 Committee Chair
CB8 Committee Vice Chair
CB8 Committee Member
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TUC Management – Riverdale House
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Ft. Independence Sr Center / MMCC
CB8
Methodist Home
Community Resident
List available in CB8 office
NYPD Community Affairs Bureau

The meeting commenced at 2:40 PM.

Introductions

- Welcome – Chair thanked everyone for attending and introduced the Committee, highlighting Irving Ladimer on his 100th, who also welcomed attendees. Thanks to Riverdale House for hosting the meeting and the impressive turnout of NYPD Community Affairs officers
- Confirmed no objection to move approval of minutes to later in meeting. Announced the Senior Resource Guide and that we will distribute copies after NYPD's presentation
- Sergeant Johnson Alejo introduced his team and distributed bags with helpful information to meeting +participants

Speakers – NYPD Community Affairs Bureau, Bronx, Sergeant Johnson Alejo & Team

The Community Affairs Bureau conducts outreach and education to the community and helps crime victims connect with resources. They hear concerns of seniors and presented recent scams (bi-lingual presentation), including (1) Tax season scams – calls from “IRS” demanding SS#, DOB, etc, and pop-up tax preparers that are not legitimate, (2) Green dot cards – pretending to be from utility or other company demanding payment via pre-paid cards, (3) Calls demanding ransom for loved ones or pretending to be relative in need of cash, (4) Lotto or sweepstake scam – send victim a check for deposit and then pull money from victim's bank account, (5) Mailbox fishing – pulling checks from mail boxes and erasing/re-writing checks.

The Officers also presented suggestions for street safety – for self and belongings and answered questions from attendees. The city is placing more police officers on neighborhood

streets, starting in communities with greatest need. Types of crimes to watch out for are posted on website.

Community Affairs is bridge between the police precincts and residents to help victims walk through processes. They respond along with NYPD precinct officers and always for crimes involving children and seniors. They put people in touch with counseling and other services, as needed.

Minutes

- January 19, 2016 minutes approved (9/0/0)
- February 16, 2016 minutes approved (8/0/1) Approved: Creaney, Daub, Goodman, Ladimer, Pesce, Santiago, Asherman, Morales. Abstention: Stone

Old Business

- Update on Resource Guide distribution, press, and ideas for getting the word and guide out to community

FY2018 Budget Priorities

- Brief discussion of FY2017 expense budget requests, response, and Budget Chair's suggestions for presenting FY2018
- Chair distributed a form for all committee members to complete and bring to next meeting, to share at least three (3) suggested requests for FY2018

New Business & Updates

- Vice Chair Creaney is arranging speaker for next meeting - of interest to veterans
- Chair reminded all that Housing Forum is March 28th - financing for affordable housing
- Shared flyer from NYC HRA, expanding health insurance access and identifying local community organizations to reach older adults
- Mr. Ladimer announced next Bronx luncheon on May 5th to honor adults age100+

The Committee will hold its next meeting on Tuesday, April 19th at **3:30PM** – location to be announced.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 pm

Prepared and submitted by
Lisa Daub, Chair, Aging Committee