

BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 8

**MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING HELD ON FEBRUARY 12, 2013
AT THE RIVERDALE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
4765 HENRY HUDSON PARKWAY**

PRESENT: S. Alexander, S. Balicer, B. Bender, S. Catechis, A. Cohen, B. Contant, A. P. Creaney, P. Ellis, A. G. Feldmeier, B. Fettman, P. Friedman, M. Galvin, R. Ginty, M. Goodman, M. Heller, M. Khury, G. O. Koppell, D. Kornbluh, I. Ladimer, D. Lennon, R. Pochter-Lowe, C. G. Moerdler, A. Moore, P. Mullen, D. Padernacht, L. Parker, J. M. Pilsner, A. Piscitelli, R. Press, L. Spalter, A. A. Spett, I. W. Stone, S. Villaverde, M. Wolpoff, H. Young

ABSENT: R. Abbott, R. Fanuzzi, D. Kirksey-Floyd, S. Froot, M. Ginzburg, T. Lim, S. Marquez, D. McShane, K. Pesce, J. Reyes, P. Reyes, X. Sanchez, G. Santiago

STAFF: N. Stent – District Manager
D. Bay – Community Associate
P. Manning – Community Associate

GUESTS: J. Dinowitz, Assemblyman
M. Blaustein – rep. State Senator Jeffrey Klein
J. DeSio – rep. Bronx Borough President Ruben Diaz, Jr.
A. Durrett – rep. State Senator Jeffrey Klein
D. Johnson – Office of Assemblyman Jeffrey Dinowitz
A. Sandler – Office of Councilman G. Oliver Koppell
D.I. K. Burke – 50th Precinct, NYPD
P.O. B. Lacavides - 50th Precinct, NYPD
A. Diaz – Uptown Sports
M. Allina
L. A. Bethea
T. Blanco
R. Brown Barbier – Riverdale Library
J. Cox
L. Daub
T. Doctor
A. Durrett
R. Epps
G. Feliciano
J. Firestone
J. Fulgencio
Rev. M. Hafele – Riverdale Presbyterian Church
A. Fella – North Riverdale Merchants Association
B. Haase – Riverdale Nature Preservancy
G. Hernandez – BOEDC
C. Joseph
M. Lam – Riverdale Review
Y. Levy
A. Lopez
S. Mahoney – Kingsbridge Heights Community Center
M. McCarthy
D. Moya
N. Nunez – Riverdale Neighborhood House
T. O'Connor

P. Moerdler
H. Siesfeld – Wave Hill
G. Sua
C. Taylor – Friends of Van Cortlandt Park
T. Tureski – Spuyten Duyvil Library
A. Williams
G. Williams – Riverdale Community Center
L. Williams
S. Williams
A. Wisnieski – Riverdale Press
C. Worchel – KRVC Development Corp.

Vice Chair Khury called the meeting to order at 7:40 PM. She advised that Chairman Fanuzzi was absent due to illness.

Vice Chair Khury acknowledged the presence of the host, Rev. Hafele, Pastor of Riverdale Presbyterian Church, and thanked him for graciously accommodating the Board for its meeting. She invited the pastor to address the Board.

Rev. Hafele welcomed the Board and offered congratulations and praise to the honorees of the Yankees Youth Leadership Award.

1. **Public Hearing:** Report and comments on responses from City Agencies on the Fiscal Year 2014 Capital and Expense Budget Requests for the Preliminary Budget.

Budget Committee Chair B. Contant opened the hearing and provided background information on the purpose of the budget hearing. He advised that the budget request report on the city agency responses had been sent to the Board and proceeded to give an overview of the status of the budget priorities. He noted items on which Bronx Community Board 8 had fared well; i.e. restoration of funding for NY Public Libraries, and Out of School Time funding for community centers.

Following discussion, the public hearing was closed.

2. Gallery Session

- A. Gerson Hernandez, Bronx Overall Economic Development Corp., presented information on the Bronx Energy Efficiency program which provides homeowners of one to four family units, and renters the opportunity to have a free energy assessment conducted at their residence. A specialist will visit and perform a thorough inspection of the premises, including the roof in order to determine which measures to adopt to achieve greater energy efficiency. Assistance with low cost loans is available. Pamphlets were left with contact information.
- B. Tanya Doctor, Help USA, Home Base II, Homeless Prevention Community Resource Center, provided information on the services offered by the Center, which include rental assistance, shelter programs, Housing Court issues, and up to 70% of rent payments. Funding is provided by the Department of Homeless Services. Flyers were left.
- C. Heidi Siesfeld, Wave Hill, announced special events and a free admission for programs from February 16th through 24th but closed on the holiday, February 18th. She reminded everyone that Tuesdays are always free admission. The Wave Hill house is undergoing construction and completion is slated for end of July 2013.
- D. Yael Levy announced Riverdale Riverfest 2013 will be held at College of Mount Saint Vincent, on Sunday, June 30th, from 12:00 noon to 6:00 PM. There will be music, food, exhibits, boat rides and more. She encouraged attendance at planning meetings and volunteering at the festival.

Ms. Levy also gave an update on the Hudson River Greenway and the Bronx Greenway link plan. She advised that it is nearing completion. The plan will be featured at Riverfest and she distributed maps showing the existing Greenway and the 1, 2, and 3 link stages.

3. Approval of regular Board Meeting Minutes of January 8, 2013

The minutes were approved unanimously.

4. Discussion of the Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of February 6, 2013

M. Heller made a revision to the Health, Hospitals and Social Services Committee report's 2nd bullet point to reflect that the committee is "*considering*" conducting another Health Care forum. D. Padernacht added a comment to the Traffic and Transportation Committee's minutes regarding the "play street" that the matter would be on the Committee's agenda.

The minutes were accepted as revised.

5. New York Yankees Youth Leadership Awards Presentations

Vice Chair Khury welcomed and thanked Dr. Roscoe Brown, famed Tuskegee Airman, educator and long-time Riverdalian and much more, for attending to present the Yankee Youth Leadership Awards on behalf of the Yankee's Youth Council, and for being a wonderful example of great leadership.

Dr. Brown enthusiastically spoke about the good works of the NY Yankees organization and its commitment to youth. This year the Youth Leadership stipend award has been raised to \$750, and is awarded to five outstanding youths in each community board who meet the criteria of performing 50 hours of volunteer work as a tutor, mentor community unity developer, and/or a youth leader against violence and substance abuse in the community.

Dr. Brown called upon the following honorees:

- **Tyrone Blanco** was nominated by Riverdale Community Center (RCC). He is high school senior at Riverdale Kingsbridge Academy MS/HS 141. Volunteered as a youth mentor and leader at the RCC After School Program. Teaches fitness, dance and sports programs such as Step/Stomp and Hip Hop dance classes, basketball and flag rugby to the middle school participants; and he is a mentor and leader to up and coming middle school students.
- **Jaylen Edwards** was nominated by Kingsbridge Heights Community Center (KHCC). He is a high school senior at the Riverdale Kingsbridge Academy MS/HS 141. Jaylen is a youth leader and member of the student government Youth Leadership Council developing skills in community outreach, public relations, scheduling and event planning and verbal presentations. He advocated for KHCC programs against the budget cuts and spoke at the public hearings. He is a trained Peer Mediator who helps his peers to resolve day to day conflicts. He participated as a "Reading Buddy" in the after school program helping students in improving their reading level and completing homework.
- **Jaquan Cox** was nominated by Ft. Independence Community Center. He is a high school junior at the Bronx Theater High School. Jaquan is the Vice President of the Ft. Independence Teen Council providing leadership and guidance skills to the Council and his peers. He led activities in the After School Program; organized various fundraisers for the teen center and is also the choreographer and Co-Captain of the Hollywood All-Stars Dance Team, promoting team work and participates in shows throughout the Metropolitan area. He is also a volunteer at the New York Public Library as a Homework Assistant.

- **Jazmine Fulgencio** was nominated by Kingsbridge Heights Community Center. She is a high school senior at Marble Hill High School for International Studies. Jazmine is a youth leader and member of the student government Youth Leadership Council. She has acted as mentor to youth in the Special Needs Program through the Helping Hands initiative promoting social skill building among special needs youth. She is a trained Peer Mediator who helps her peers resolve day to day conflicts and she a role model and mentor to younger girls in the after school program.
- **Griffin Sua** was nominated by Riverdale Neighborhood House (RNH). He is a high school freshman at the Riverdale Kingsbridge Academy MS/HS 141. Griffin is a volunteer with the Friends of Van Cortlandt Park as a Junior Naturalist working in the community with the maintenance and preservation of Van Cortlandt Park and as a participant in several Forest and Garden Volunteer events. His commitment as a Junior Naturalist and Trails Crew Program member helped to support RNH vision for sustaining and maintaining neighborhood parks. He also volunteers his time and supports various festivals and fundraising events at PS 81 and PS 24.

Each and every honoree was applauded and commended for their spirit of dedicated volunteerism and strong leadership qualities.

Vice Chair Khury thanked the Youth Chair L. Parker, and Committee members S. Alexander and R. Press for their work with the review of the nominations and selection of candidates for the NY Yankees Youth Leadership Awards 2013.

6. Vice Chair Khury welcomed D.I. Burke and invited him to address the Board.

D.I. Burke announced the security program sponsored by NYPD for registration of iPhones. The 50th will take part in the iPhone registration event at the Riverdale YM/YWHA on February 24th, from 9:00AM to 1:00PM. He urged registration as an aid for recovery of stolen property. The Deputy reported on arrests for drug sales at 3971 Corlear Avenue, \$36,000 was uncovered, two arrests for home invasion occurred and a robbery at 3921 Orloff Avenue. He discussed a spike in car break-ins. Additionally, he discussed the charges of cocaine drug dealing at Hudson's Grill and how it appears that the operation was orchestrated by an employee.

7. Vice Chair Khury welcomed Councilman G. Oliver Koppell and invited him to address the Board.

Councilman Koppell reported that the City Council voted on legislation to require a study on the feasibility of burying power lines underground in order to prevent power outages. Additionally, the Council will vote on legislation to increase native plant species on City-owned properties making less room for invasive, non-native plant species that are not suitable to the city's climate. The Councilman encouraged checking the website to gather information on producing "green friendly" homes.

C. Moerdler issued a thank you to Councilman Koppell for intervening with Landmarks Preservation Commission to acquire the Commission's Rules for the Fieldston Historic District. The formation of the rules is now in process.

8. Vice Chair Khury welcomed Assemblyman Jeffrey Dinowitz and invited him to address the Board.

Assemblyman Dinowitz informed that the State Legislature had passed the Co-operative and Condominium tax abatement extension with some enhancements. The Legislature is planning to look at legislation dealing with credit reporting abuses. The Assemblyman is having discussions with Con Edison concerning plans to alleviate power outages in critical areas of the district.

9. Report of Bronx Borough President – J. DeSio

- Bronx Borough President Ruben Diaz, Jr. released statistics highlighting the decrease in murders in the Bronx in 2012. Last year the Bronx had a total of 112 murders, down from 148 in 2011 and an all time low in the borough since the early 1960's. The Bronx murder rate is lower than Philadelphia, Boston, Newark and other major cities.
- The Borough President's Black History Month Celebration will be held on Wednesday, February 13, 2013, at 5:30 pm, at Dreiser Loop Community Center, 177 Dreiser Loop, Co-op City. RSVP – 718-590-3522 or lroldan@bronxbp.nyc.gov. Borough President Ruben Diaz, Jr., State of the Borough Address will be held on Tuesday, February 19, 2013, at 11:00 am, at James Monroe High School, 1300 Boynton Avenue. RSVP – sotb@bronxbp.nyc.gov or 718-590-6116.

10. Vice Chair Report

- Vice Chair Khury wished Irving Ladimer a Happy 97th years young birthday.
- Congratulations were extended to Lamont Parker on his being honored for exemplary leadership by Senator Jeffrey Klein's Black History Month celebration.

11. Treasurer's Report

P. Friedman reported that funds to the Community Board's budget were restored for FY2013 but not for 2014.

12. District Manager's Report

No report.

13. Committee Reports

A. Economic Development – S. Villaverde

1. Before presenting the following resolution from the Committee at its February 5, 2013 meeting, S. Villaverde corrected his vote to reflect that he exercised privilege of chair and did not vote.

BE IT RESOLVED, that Bronx Community Board No. 8 recommends approval of the following applications for Street Activity Permits:

- South Riverdale Merchants Fair – A Block Party to be held on September 29, 2013 on Riverdale Avenue between West 236th and 238th Streets. This event has previously been held.
- North Riverdale Merchants Fair – A Block Party to be held on May 19, 2013 on Riverdale Avenue between West 258th and 259th Streets.
- Johnson Avenue Merchants Fair – Single Block Festival to be held on November 10, 2013 on Johnson Avenue between West 235th and 236th Streets. This event has previously been held.

Discussion ensued. The question was called for a vote.

A block vote was taken on all three applications. R. Ginty abstained from voting on the North Riverdale Merchants Fair application only.

Vote: 28 in favor, 1 opposed, 4 abstentions, 1 abstention with cause and 1 abstention for North Riverdale Merchants Fair only.

In Favor –

S. Alexander, S. Balicer, B. Bender, A. Cohen, B. Contant, A. P. Creaney, P. Ellis, B. Fettman, M. Galvin, R. Ginty, M. Goodman, M. Heller, M. Khury, D. Kornbluh, I. Ladimer, D. Lennon, R. Pochter-Lowe, A. Moore, P. Mullen, D. Padernacht, L. Parker, J. M. Pilsner, A. Piscitelli, L. Spalter, A. A. Spett, I. W. Stone, S. Villaverde, M. Wolpoff

Opposed –

A. G. Feldmeier

Abstentions –

S. Catechis, P. Friedman, R. Press, H. Young

Abstention for North Riverdale Merchants Fair –

R. Ginty

Abstention with Cause –

C.G. Moerdler

B. Education – S. Alexander

1. NYC Department of Education sent a letter to the State Education Department outlining the teacher evaluation goals and steps to implement them. The described plan would include student feedback, surveys and consideration for teachers with English Language Learners. The new deadline is March 1.
2. NYC schools offered a contest and will award a programmer \$50,000 for the best mobile STEM application to improve middle school math education. STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. Our ability to produce a workforce capable of leading a global economy is compromised by the gap between the projected need of STEM workers and our ability to prepare a diverse workforce with these skills.
3. Lastly, to answer Joyce Pilsner's question regarding DeWitt Clinton High School, the Panel for Education Policy will vote this month to cut the enrollment of the school by 2016-2017 school year. They propose to reduce the 125 classrooms now in use to 75 classrooms and add two new high schools to occupy the space vacated and the three schools will share the 3 gyms, auditorium, cafeteria, library, pool and dance room.
4. The Committee will hold its next meeting on February 26, 2013, Board office, at 7:30 PM.

C. Environment and Sanitation – L. Spalter, Vice Chair

1. Refer to minutes.
2. A presentation was made by the Department of Sanitation regarding recycling and Adopt-A-Basket programs. They are hoping to place recycle bins in and around the NYCHA houses. A meeting will be held with Marble Hill Houses to set guidelines for recycling.
3. A representative from the Department of Environmental Protection will present to the Committee at the February 20th meeting concerning property sewer and water service lines protection.

D. Health, Hospitals and Social Services – M. Heller, Vice Chair reported on behalf of the chair

The Committee along with S. Alexander, Education Chair is working to develop a forum on the topic of "Underage Drinking."

E. Housing – S. Balicer

1. A representative from NYC Clean Heat program presented on fuel oil conversions and the clean energy law at the January Committee meeting.
2. The next meeting will be held on February 25th, at the Board Office, at 7:30 PM.

F. Land Use – C. Moerdler

The Committee met on February 4, 2013 and postponed the Landmarks Preservation Commission (LPC) application for 430 West 250th Street. However LPC approved the application on February 5th, in spite of Department of Buildings violations served on the property.

G. Law, Rules and Ethics – R. Ginty

1. No January meeting.
2. Next meeting February 28th, at Riverdale Mental Health Association, at 7:00 PM.

H. Libraries and Cultural Affairs - M. Wolpoff reported on behalf of the Chair.

1. The new Library Network Manager is Michael Alvarez.
2. Jerome Park Library will be closed for painting as of March 9, 2013.

I. Parks and Recreation – B. Bender

1. Minutes for January 23rd meeting have been circulated.
2. Locations for Block Tree plantings were identified.
3. A public meeting will be held on the Greenway plan.
4. The Committee's next meeting will be held on February 27th, at the Board office, at 7:00 PM.

J. Public Safety – A. G. Feldmeier

1. A representative from the Department of Consumer Affairs presented on Cabaret licensing at the January meeting. The Committee will work with establishments on such licensing.
2. Applicants of new State Liquor Authority applications will be asked to post a Public Safety Committee meeting notice regarding the application in the window of establishment.
3. Z'Novia/Winners Bar and Restaurant sent notice of their liquor license withdrawal.
4. Resolutions approved by the Public Safety Committee for liquor license were presented and voted on as follows:

- **BE IT RESOLVED**, Bronx Community Board No. 8 approves the following **Renewal Applications** for liquor license:

- Bronx Post No. 95, 3960 Orloff Avenue
- Mr. Vigg's, 5670 Mosholu Avenue
- Mulgriff Tavern, Inc., D/B/A The Punch Bowl, 5820 Broadway

Vote: 34 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions

In Favor –

S. Alexander, S. Balicer, B. Bender, S. Catechis, A. Cohen, B. Contant, A. P. Creaney, P. Ellis, A. G. Feldmeier, B. Fettman, P. Friedman, M. Galvin, R. Ginty, M. Goodman, M. Heller, M. Khury, D. Kornbluh, I. Ladimer, D. Lennon, R. Pochter-Lowe, C. G. Moerdler, A. Moore, P. Mullen, D. Padernacht, L. Parker, J. M. Pilsner, A. Piscitelli, R. Press, L. Spalter, A. A. Spett, I. W. Stone, S. Villaverde, M. Wolpoff, H. Young

- **BE IT RESOLVED**, Bronx Community Board No. 8 approves the following **Renewal Application** for liquor license:

- Hudson's, 3713 Riverdale Avenue

Vote: 27 in favor, 3 opposed, 4 abstentions

In Favor –

S. Alexander, S. Balicer, R. Bender, S. Catechis, A. Cohen, B. Contant, A. P. Creaney, P. Ellis, A. G. Feldmeier, B. Fettman, M. Galvin, M. Goodman, M. Heller, D. Kornbluh, I. Ladimer, D. Lennon, R. Pochter-Lowe, A. Moore, P. Mullen, L. Parker, A. Piscitelli, R. Press, L. Spalter, A. A. Spett, I. W. Stone, M. Wolpoff, H. Young

Opposed-

R. Ginty, M. Khury, S. Villaverde

Abstentions –

P. Friedman, C. G. Moerdler, D. Padernacht, J. Pilsner,

- **BE IT RESOLVED**, Bronx Community Board No. 8 approves the following **Renewal Application** for liquor license:

- TCR Tennis Club of Riverdale, Inc., 2600 Netherland Avenue

Vote: 32 in favor, 1 opposed, 1 abstention

In Favor -

S. Alexander, S. Balicer, R. Bender, S. Catechis, A. Cohen, B. Contant, A. P. Creaney, P. Ellis, A. G. Feldmeier, B. Fettman, P. Friedman, M. Galvin, R. Ginty, M. Goodman, M. Khury, D. Kornbluh, I. Ladimer, D. Lennon, R. Pochter-Lowe, A. Moore, P. Mullen, D. Padernacht, L. Parker, J. M. Pilsner, A. Piscitelli, R. Press, L. Spalter, A. A. Spett, I. W. Stone, S. Villaverde, M. Wolpoff, H. Young

Opposed –

M. Heller

Abstention -

C. Moerdler

- **BE IT RESOLVED**, Bronx Community Board No. 8 approves the following **Renewal Application** for liquor license:

- Ginger Grill, 3717 Riverdale Avenue

Vote: 32 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstentions

In Favor –

S. Alexander, S. Balicer, R. Bender, S. Catechis, A. Cohen, B. Contant, A. P. Creaney, P. Ellis, A. G. Feldmeier, B. Fettman, P. Friedman, M. Galvin, R. Ginty, M. Goodman, M. Heller, M. Khury, D. Kornbluh, I. Ladimer, D. Lennon, R. Pochter-Lowe, A. Moore, P. Mullen, D. Padernacht, L. Parker, J. M. Pilsner, A. Piscitelli, R. Press, L. Spalter, A. A. Spett, S. Villaverde, M. Wolpoff, H. Young

Abstentions –

C. Moerdler, I. W. Stone

- **BE IT RESOLVED**, Bronx Community Board No. 8 approves the following **New Application** for liquor license:

- Rebel Inc., D/B/A The Local, 171 West 231st Street

Vote: 9 in favor, 15 opposed, and 10 abstentions

In Favor –

S. Catechis, B. Contant, M. Galvin, D. Lennon, R. Pochter-Lowe, A. Moore, A. Piscitelli, R. Press, S. Villaverde

Opposed -

S. Alexander, S. Balicer, A. Cohen, A. P. Creaney, A. G. Feldmeier, B. Fettman, M. Goodman, M. Heller, I. Ladimer, P. Mullen, L. Parker, A. A. Spett, I. W. Stone, M. Wolpoff, H. Young

Abstentions –

R. Bender, P. Ellis, P. Friedman, R. Ginty, M. Khury, D. Kornbluh, C. G. Moerdler, D. Padernacht, J. Pilsner, L. Spalter

The resolution did not pass.

- **BE IT RESOLVED**, Bronx Community Board No. 8 approves the following **New Application** for liquor license:

- Grill 26, Inc., 2600 Netherland Avenue

Vote: 29 in favor, 2 opposed, 3 abstentions

In Favor –

S. Alexander, S. Balicer, R. Bender, S. Catechis, A. Cohen, B. Contant, A. P. Creaney, P. Ellis, A. G. Feldmeier, P. Friedman, M. Galvin, R. Ginty, M. Khury, I. Ladimer, D. Lennon, R. Pochter-Lowe, C. G. Moerdler, P. Mullen, D. Padernacht, L. Parker, J. M. Pilsner, A. Piscitelli, R. Press, L. Spalter, A. A. Spett, I. W. Stone, S. Villaverde, M. Wolpoff, H. Young

Opposed –

M. Heller, B. Fettman

Abstentions –

D. Kornbluh, M. Goodman, A. Moore,

- **BE IT RESOLVED**, Bronx Community Board No. 8 voted on the following **New Application** for liquor license:

- Escape 123 Inc., D/B/A Escape, 123 West Kingsbridge Road

Vote: 27 in favor, 1 opposed, and 6 abstentions

In Favor -

S. Alexander, R. Bender, S. Catechis, A. Cohen, B. Contant, A. P. Creaney, P. Ellis, A. G. Feldmeier, B. Fettman, M. Galvin, R. Ginty, M. Goodman, M. Heller, M. Khury, I. Ladimer, D. Lennon, R. Pochter-Lowe, A. Moore, P. Mullen, D. Padernacht, L. Parker,

J. M. Pilsner, R. Press, L. Spalter, A. A. Spett, I. W. Stone, M. Wolpoff

Opposed –

H. Young

Abstentions -

S. Balicer, P. Friedman, D. Kornbluh, C. G. Moerdler, A. Piscitelli, S. Villaverde

K. Traffic and Transportation – D. Padernacht

1. The following resolutions were presented:

- **BE IT RESOLVED**, that Bronx Community Board No. 8 approves the following two Unenclosed Sidewalk Cafe Applications:
 - *Renewal*: Burke's Beal Bocht Corp. d/b/a An Beal Bocht, 445 West 238th Street.
 - *New application*: Yo-Burger 3720-3726 Riverdale Avenue.

Vote: 33 in favor, 0 opposed, and 1 abstention

In Favor –

S. Alexander, S. Balicer, R. Bender, S. Catechis, B. Contant, A. P. Creaney, P. Ellis, A. G. Feldmeier, B. Fettman, P. Friedman, M. Galvin, R. Ginty, M. Goodman, M. Heller, M. Khury, D. Kornbluh, I. Ladimer, D. Lennon, R. Pochter-Lowe, C. G. Moerdler, A. Moore, P. Mullen, D. Padernacht, L. Parker, J. M. Pilsner, A. Piscitelli, R. Press, L. Spalter, A. A. Spett, I. W. Stone, S. Villaverde, M. Wolpoff, H. Young

Abstention –

A. Cohen

- **BE IT RESOLVED**, Bronx Community Board No. 8 approves the following two Street Activity Permit Applications:
 - Amalgamated Nursery Spring Bazaar – Street Festival to be held on May 19, 2013 on Gale Place between Orloff Avenue and Van Cortlandt Park South. This event has previously been held.
 - Israeli Independence Day – Single Block Festival to be held on April 25, 2013 on Netherland Avenue between West 236th Street and the Northbound Henry Hudson Parkway Service Road. This event has previously been held.

Vote: 34 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions

In Favor –

S. Alexander, S. Balicer, R. Bender, S. Catechis, A. Cohen, B. Contant, A. P. Creaney, P. Ellis, A. G. Feldmeier, B. Fettman, P. Friedman, M. Galvin, R. Ginty, M. Goodman, M. Heller, M. Khury, D. Kornbluh, I. Ladimer, D. Lennon, R. Pochter-Lowe, C. G. Moerdler, A. Moore, P. Mullen, D. Padernacht, L. Parker, J. M. Pilsner, A. Piscitelli, R. Press, L. Spalter, A. A. Spett, I. W. Stone, S. Villaverde, M. Wolpoff, H. Young

2. Moerdler made a proposal for the Traffic and Transportation Committee to discuss traffic and parking issues in the area of West 254th and Arlington Avenue.
3. The Committee discussed Riverdale Crossings and the issue of the proposed use of Putnam Avenue by trucks for BJ's deliveries. The plan was revised; trucks will exit Major Deegan at West 230th Street and travel along Bailey Avenue.

4. A request for street repavings will be sent to board members for input.
5. The next meeting will be held on February 19th, at Manhattan College, 3840 Corlear, RLC-205, at 7:30 PM.

L. Youth Services – L. Parker

1. The Committee met on January 23rd at Fort Independence Community Center.
2. The following resolution was presented:
 - **BE IT RESOLVED**, Bronx Community Board No. 8 approves the Farmers Market Street Activity Permit Application for Marble Hill Youthmarket, to operate at West 225th Street between Broadway and Exterior Street, on Thursdays from July 11, 2013 through November 21, 2013.

Vote: 34 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions

In Favor –

S. Alexander, S. Balicer, R. Bender, S. Catechis, A. Cohen, B. Contant, A. P. Creaney, P. Ellis, A. G. Feldmeier, B. Fettman, P. Friedman, M. Galvin, R. Ginty, M. Goodman, M. Heller, M. Khury, D. Kornbluh, I. Ladimer, D. Lennon, R. Pochter-Lowe, C. G. Moerdler, A. Moore, P. Mullen, D. Padernacht, L. Parker, J. M. Pilsner, A. Piscitelli, R. Press, L. Spalter, A. A. Spett, I. W. Stone, S. Villaverde, M. Wolpoff, H. Young

3. L. Parker proudly announced that there will be a Youth Day at the Van Cortlandt Ice Rink on February 18th. The first 50 youths will have FREE admission.

M. Aging – A. Cohen

The Committee will meet on February 26th at Van Cortlandt Jewish Center, at 1:30 PM. DFTA will attend to discuss budget priorities.

Meeting adjourned 10:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted by,

Patricia Manning
Community Associate

Reviewed by,

Joyce Pilsner
Secretary