Minutes of Public Safety Committee Meeting held on January 19, 2006 At the 50th Police Precinct, 3450 Kingsbridge Avenue

The committee met at 7:39 p.m. A. Garbett Feldmeier is the Chair.

PRESENT

AFFILIATION

Arlene Garbett Feldmeier Alec Diacou	CB#8 Committee Chair CB#8
Carol Hendricks	CB#8 CB#8
Todd Rubinstein	CB#8
Laura Spalter	CB#8
Bradford Trebach	CB#8
Herb Eysser	FDNY Union
Etanjalie Narraph	Riverdale Press
Glenn Encababian	Committee Member
Patrick O'Flynn	Resident
D.I. Timothy Hardiman	50 th Precinct
Det. Luis Rodriguez	50 th Precinct
Gregory Adams	50 th Precinct

- (1) The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.
- (2) Emergency preparedness awareness. The Chair reported on the emergency preparedness meeting held on January 18. She explained the types of items and information every household should have in a "go-bag" in preparation for a public emergency or disaster. The Chair was pleased with the public turnout and the volunteers who came forward to take part in CERT program training with the NYPD, NYFD and EMS. The Committee discussed various ideas for publicizing the CERT program's activities here in CB#8.
- (3) NYPD Commanding Officer's Report. Deputy Inspector Hardiman introduced the 50th Pct's new Executive Officer, Captain Duffy. Deputy Inspector Hardiman reported on the recent homicide, in which a human torso was found on Liebig Avenue and a severed head that matched the torso was later discovered near the Major Deegan Expressway. The Deputy Inspector described this homicide as a drug deal gone terribly wrong. Deputy Inspector Hardiman also reported on enforcement measures targeting illegal narcotics activity at local bars. He said that on February 8, the 50th Precinct will host a bar-owners meeting, in an effort to encourage greater cooperation with 50th Precinct enforcement efforts. Deputy Inspector Hardiman gave an overview of the main categories of crime statistics for 2005. Board member A. Diacou asked about how the 50th Precinct is dealing with subway crime on the No. 1 train. Deputy Inspector Hardiman discussed plans by the Commanding Officer at District 3 of the NYPD Transit Bureau to increase enforcement on the No. 1 train. Diacou noted that his son recently had an I-pod device stolen on the subway between the 242nd Street and 238th Street Stations.
- (4) Discussion of Fire Department Issues. The committee reviewed two recent fires and discussed procedures for dealing with problems caused by fallen trees during the recent storms.
- (5) Review of Liquor License Applications and Renewals. All renewal applications and new applications listed on the agenda were approved by the committee. The committee discussed the future prospect of local attorney John Fenwick submitting an application for a bar he is buying on Broadway.

(6) Safety at Kennedy High School. Deputy Inspector Hardiman said there has been a marked increase in problems outside the school at dismissal time. A local resident who owns a house on Corlear Avenue complained about disorderly youths from the school committing wild and violent crime on Corlear Avenue between West 231st and West 232nd Streets. He noted a recent stabbing incident, property vandalism, public urination and graffiti vandalism.

(7) Chair announced the Bronx District Attorney's event for protecting children using the Internet.

At 8:58 p.m., the committee was adjourned. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, February 16^{th} at 7:30 p.m.

Arlene Garbett Feldmeier Chairperson Public Safety Committee

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