

**Minutes of Public Safety Committee
Meeting held on November 16, 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	CB#8 Committee Chair
Todd Rubinstein	CB#8 Committee Vice Chair
Saul Scheinbach	CB#8
Philip Friedman	CB#8
Anthony Creaney	CB#8
Warren Dolny	CB#8
Herb Young	CB#8
Gregory Adames	50th Precinct Community Council
Tommy Hallissey	Riverdale Press
William Taylor	Resident
Captain Dermot Shea	50th Precinct
Det. Luis Rodriguez	50th Precinct
Nadine Baker	Schervier Nursing Care Center
Ed Meehan	Schervier Nursing Care Center

1. Introduction of the committee
2. Minutes approved by voice vote
3. Chairperson's report: Schervier Home invited to speak on safety planning. This will provide a comparison with the problems experienced by Atria during last summer's blackout at the Atria facility.
4. Captain Shea and Detective Rodriguez report on crime statistics.
 - Homicide is up from 4 to 8 partly as a result of a murder suicide in Van Cortland Park. A suspect in another homicide was just arrested
 - Increase in stolen cars from 206-226 for the year, up 2 for last 30 days.
 - Grand larceny up 3% largely as a result of identity theft.
 - Burglary down 13%
 - Felony assaults up 13%, 134 v 118 for last year.
 - Robbery down 11% 153 v 170 for last year
 - Rape up 13%

Auto break-ins continue to be a problem but they are not tracked by NYPD so no individual statistics. The Committee is considering following up with letters to the DA and the court, to inform the court in the event of conviction of a criminal with a long record, thus informing the court of the affect of the crimes on the community.
5. No Fire report this month.
6. Liquor license renewals were approved for Riverdale Yacht Club, Goodfella's II and J.C. Macs. Submitted in September.
7. Schervier Home report- The Schervier Home is both a nursing home and a senior residence. The nursing home has an emergency backup plan. The home has a back up diesel generator with 48 hours of fuel. There is a contract to resupply fuel and to supply a back up generator within a short period of time. The water supply system has an alarm that notifies the administration if there is a problem. There are 600 gallons of bottled water on premises. All systems are tested. There is an evacuation plan and staff can be called in on short notice also.
The residence does not have the same plans but benefits from the nursing home facility. The circuits are adapted to allow for quick installation of an emergency generator. Water can be pumped from the nursing home. Staff can be reallocated to the place of greatest

need. Supplies can be shifted between the facilities. Atria has an additional facility on the upper floors which may require the kind of plans that Schervier has.

8. Manhattan College has met with community residents concerning the problems on 238th street and Waldo Ave. The outcome is not yet known

9. NYPD is holding hearings on changes to the parade rules.

10. The Bronx DA is holding identity theft workshop.

11. In December the Committee is invited to ride along with the 50th Precinct. Please contact Arlene Feldmeier concerning dates.

12. Next meeting Jan 16th.

Arlene Garbett Feldmeier
Chairperson
Public Safety Committee

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