

Minutes of Public Safety Committee
Meeting held on January 18, 2007
At the 50th Police Precinct, 3450 Kingsbridge Avenue

PRESENT

AFFILIATION

Arlene Garbett Feldmeier
Todd Rubinstein
Alec Diacou
Philip Friedman
Warren Dolny
Carol Hendricks
Tommy Hallissey
Herb Eysser

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1. Committee members introduced themselves.
2. The November meeting minutes were approved.
3. The chairperson reported that a follow up meeting would be held concerning the Atria at Health and Hospitals Committee meeting. She and Karen Pesce, Chair of the Aging committee would be in attendance.
4. Detective Rodriguez reported an overall decline in serious crime of 26% for the 2 week period at the beginning of the year including:
 No Rapes nor Homicides
 Robbery 9 v 3 in 2006
 Car theft 7 v 8 in 2006
 Grand Larceny 6 v 13 in 2006
 Burglary 4 v 10 in 2006
 Felony Assault 6 v 5 in 2006
 Discussion was held concerning car break-ins during Christmas Eve. Also discussed was lack of compliance with stop signs in and around West 246 Street.
 The report on Van Cortlandt Park violence was discussed as being largely misleading. Many of the crimes occur between the sports teams or people leave bags unattended. In addition even the numbers show the park as far safer than the other parks (**please see attached**).

 Captain Shea reported on staffing which is declining slightly. The NYPD is having problems retaining recruits. Also discussed was the arrest of 10 JFK students after a dispute between two groups that resulted in a stabbing. The victim went to the emergency room at Lincoln Hospital.
5. There were 11 fires over a three month period. Some were quite serious. No injuries were reported.
6. Liquor Licenses: the committee agreed to revise its practice. All liquor license applications will be considered at the first time they are on the agenda. All licenses and renewals were approved.
7. New Business: The request for a 4 way Stop sign on W 232 St. and Fairfield Avenue was recommended. Suffolk County is holding an exam for Police Officers. NYPD received the highest level of accreditation for its training program. NYPD is recruiting Police Administrative Aides.
8. Meeting Adjourned at 8:15

Arlene Garbett Feldmeier
Chairperson
Public Safety Committee

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Enclosure