

BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 8

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON FEBRUARY 16, 2017
50TH POLICE PRECINCT, 3450 KINGSBRIDGE AVENUE**

PRESENT

Joseph O'Brien
Herb Young
Margaret Donato
Diomarys Escaño
Diego Santiago
Myra Joyce

AFFILIATION

Chair, CB8 Public Safety Committee
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Community Committee Member

Robert Press
Michele Rossetti
Jean Parnieque
Kristien Garcia
Jonathan Bing
Bruno Gioffe
Mindy Birnbaum
Jennifer Klein
Mario Curanas Salvatores
Daphne Kohavy
Fenwick's Pub

Bronx Voice
Wave Hill
Buffalo Wild Wings
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3541 Riverdale Corp.
Great Performances
Community Resident
Soho

Absent: Mary Yamagata, Shalva Gozland, Lenora Croft

Chair O'Brien called the meeting to order at 7:03pm

Minutes of the January 19, 2017 meeting were approved unanimously (J. O'Brien, H. Young, M. Donato, D. Santiago, D. Escaño, M. Joyce)

Police report presented by Detective Inspector O'Toole
28 day CompStat report ending February 12th.

	2017	2016
Murder	0	0
Rape	0	1
Robbery	6	12
Felony Assault	18	9
Burglary	9	8
Grand Larceny	52	31
Grand Larceny Auto	4	4
Total	89	65

In response to inquiries DI O'Toole said that anyone experiences a problem with the State Police could report it to the precinct.

Five individuals were slashed in an incident at Silhouettes, 5668 Broadway. The incident started in the bar and went out to the parking lot. Six people were arrested. DI O'Toole praised the owner of Silhouettes for his cooperation.

In the last 28 day period there were 41 arrests.

Grand larceny remains the biggest problem.

There was 1 fatality on Major Deegan, a woman walking on the Deegan. DI O'Toole said the police do not know why she was walking there.

Burglaries have been reported around the Knolls Crescent area. Arrests have been made.

DI O'Toole was asked if there were any ICE arrests and he said there were none. There were incidents of smashing of windows - criminal mischief. 2 weeks ago an arrest was made.

The department knows where these are occurring and have an unmarked car on patrol.

Daphne Kohavy spoke about the city staircase from Irwin Avenue complaining that the lights were out during a construction project there. She asked they be turned on. DI O'Toole said he look into it.

Threats were called in to Jewish Centers, including the Riverdale Y. DI O'Toole spoke with the temple by RKA.

Liquor Licenses

New License

3541 Riverdale Corp., 3541 Riverdale Ave., Bruno Gioffe representing.

New owners are renovating the location. They distributed menus and photos of how the place will look after the renovation. Planning on having a full bar, but it will be a food driven restaurant. Owner has extensive experience, running 2 restaurants. No issues at any. We advised Mr. Gioffe about the stipulation to close at 2 a.m. for new applicants. They will be in compliance.

Music: jazz, acoustic.

Committee approved the application unanimously (J. O'Brien, H. Young, M. Donato, D. Santiago, D. Escaño, M. Joyce)

Renewals

Buffalo Wild Wings, 193 W. 237th Street, Jonathan Bing representing Kristian Garcia is the general manager. Nothing has changed since they originally opened.

Committee approved the application unanimously. (J. O'Brien, H. Young, M. Donato, D. Santiago, D. Escaño, M. Joyce)

Great Performances/Artists as Waitresses, Inc. and Wave Hill Incorporated
Mindy Birnbaum, General Counsel representing
There have been no problems in the past at this location.

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McGoos did not show

A question was asked about drones regulation.
DI O'Toole responded: There are no-fly zones, e.g., near airports.
The drone issue is being addressed in relation to counter-terrorism.
DI said some are used by real estate agents.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30

Submitted by Myra Joyce