

**BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 8,**  
**Traffic and Transportation Committee**  
**Minutes of November 15, 2016 Meeting**

Committee Attendance:

M. Heller  
D. Fuchs  
A. Creaney  
E. Bell  
N. Friedman  
S. Alexander  
G. Santaigo  
H. Young  
S. Sarao  
J. O'Brien  
M. Joyce, Community committee member

Non-Committee Board Attendance:

David Gellman

Guests:

Councilman Cohen  
Assembly Dinowitz  
Josh Stevenson, representing Councilman Cohen  
Christina Lang, representing Senator Klein  
Robert Usher, resident  
Joe Benmir, resident  
To be further populated

The meeting opened at 7:40 PM. The October 2016 minutes were reviewed. The Committee approved unanimously.

In follow up, Mr. Heller spoke with principal of PS 307 with respect to the play street application blocking Claflin Avenue northbound. They agreed to engage in further discussion on the matter. Sylvia Alexander confirmed the school is not moving and a new lease is on the way... Horace Mann: no changes in Tibbett Avenues street status, waiting for PD law department. Consensus is to leave it alone for now. No playschool application is pending. May be changed in the future. Heller said he plans to write HHB resolution for submittal to MTA Bridges and Tunnels, including urge to reconsider bike lane expansion. He also would like a review to connect bike path to Dyckman Street somehow. A discussion of bike path ensued.

Robert Usher: Spoke against moving bus stop from 254 street on Riverdale Avenue from north to south of the intersection, apposing north Riverdale plan. We have not seen updated plan yet, so board has no opinion yet. There was a discussion of similar plans elsewhere within the city.

Joe Benmir – Discussion of 237 street parking by BJ's. Mid-day legal Parking has been removed and should be restored. No parking 9 am to 10 pm, should be changed to allow parking as was previously permitted, two hour muni meters, though people now park illegally. After much discussion, we will review. Josh Stevenson said DOT would not implement unregulated parking. He will look again and we will review.

Bx10 Issue. Heller introduced the subject and mentioned the petition being circulated by activists was sent. He wants the TA to look at BX 20 too. The lack of non-peak services makes A train access a 2 fare zone. They will come to January meeting, as the TA is coming to December meeting to discuss 215 street bridge. General remarks about BX10 by Assemblyman Dinowitz that it needs to run more regularly – more buses are necessary; their traffic counts may not reflect actual conditions. Some people have been put in two fare zones; the legislature had passed a no two-fare zone bill, governor vetoed. General discussion of bus routes for improved service. Councilman Cohen asked if Bus-Time is being effectively used to improve bus service, something we will question TA reps about. David Gellman suggested expanding Bx 1 “up the hill.”

New Business: Eric Bell – west 238 street, no crosswalk to entrance by subway from Kingsbridge Avenue. He will submit a drawing and follow up.

Old Business:

- Follow up walk on 254 Street to review sidewalk situation, Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup>, 9AM.
- Myra Joyce: Discussed towing situation at Key Food in North Riverdale. Mr. Heller discussed crackdown on people parking illegally in the supermarket parking lot. She believes parking configuration is dangerous and should be fixed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:56 PM.

Next meeting, Tuesday, December 20, 2016. Location TBD.

Minutes submitted by Michael Heller.