

CBI MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 2014

DATE: Tuesday, October 28, 2014

TIME: 6:00 PM

PLACE: The National Museum of the American Indian

Chairperson Catherine McVay Hughes called the meeting to order at 6:00pm, EDT.

I. **Public Hearing**

A) Community Board 1 Capital and Expense Budget Requests for FY 2016.

1. Hope Cohen (Battery Conservancy)

- Urged CBI members to support improvements to Battery Park by the Battery Conservancy as the board's #3 capital budget priority.

II. **Public Session**

1. Ed Sullivan (Public Advocate Letitia James)

- The Public Advocate released a report with recommendations on the proposed NYPD body cameras pilot program. The NYPD is starting a trial program.
- The Public Advocate introduced legislation in the City Council to help New York college students fight back against sexual assault.

2. Paul Goldstein (Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver)

- Working on sound issues resulting from use of dividers at Peck Slip School located in Tweed Court House. Looking at how to use two conference rooms as classrooms.
- Working on World Trade Center campus security plan. Speaker Silver hosted a meeting last week with community members. The plan will be rolled out this week. The plan will limit traffic and control pedestrian flow.
- A 25 mile per hour speed limit is going into effect in Manhattan on November 7.

3. Dan Campanelli (Comptroller Scott Stringer)

- An audit by the Comptroller found that contracts are not being awarded to enough minority and women owned businesses.

- Department of Health failed to respond to 24% of rodent complaints according to an audit.
 - There will be a shred your documents day on October 30 at Penn South.
4. Morris Chan (Borough President Gale Brewer)
- There will be upcoming trainings available for community board members.
 - The community board application will be distributed soon. Sixteen year olds can now serve.
 - Please observe the 25 MPH speed limit taking effect on November 7.
 - Promoting the .nyc domain names. You must live in New York City to qualify for a domain.
 - There will be an event regarding Ebola on October 30, 2014.
 - See newsletter for other events and updates.
5. Sam Spokony (Councilmember Margaret Chin)
- Strongly supports the new speed limit.
 - CM Chin allocated money for local food pantries.
 - This would have been the 84th birthday for legendary trumpeter Clifford Brown.
6. Sarah Diaz (Assemblymember Deborah Glick)
- Sponsoring a forum on hydrofracking.
 - Sponsoring a bill to tax luxury housing owned by non-residents.
 - Wrote a letter urging the Landmark Preservation Commission to expand the Tribeca Historic District.
 - Tracking conversations about 346 Broadway.
7. Mary Cooley (Senator Daniel Squadron)
- Save the date: Senator Squadron's annual community convention will take place Tuesday, December 9.
 - Tenant rights forum coming up.
 - This is Mary's last CB1 meeting.
8. Andrew DeCurtis (NYC Rescue Mission)
- Thanked CB1 for help with operational issues at the Mission. Communication with NYC agencies and elected officials has improved.
9. Billie Andersson (Shakespeare Downtown)
- This is a new theatre company. They will be the resident Shakespeare company at Castle Clinton. May 9 – June 15 will be the dates.

10. Arthur Piccolo (History of Site)

- Discussed the historic value of the U.S. Customs House, the venue for this meeting.

11. Jean Larkin (CB1 Resident)

- N. Moore Street is in poor condition and should be repaired.

12. Margarit Ordukhanyan (CB1 Resident)

- Supports improving North Moore Street. The conditions are poor.

13. Michael Fortenbaugh (North Cove Marina)

- Wants to remain as operator of the North Cove marina. They have 200 letters of support from individuals and local elected officials.

14. Wendy Chapman (PS 150 PTA)

- Thanked CB1 and elected officials for supporting the school community.
- PS 150 won a national award.
- Working on overcrowding in downtown schools.

15. Graeme Birchall (Downtown Boathouse)

- Buying new boats this winter.

16. Jonathan Schrag, Nancy Fried, Alistair Smith (Bogardus Plaza)

- Opposed to some aspects of the Bogardus Capital Project.

17. Victoria Weil, Theodore Tirschwell, Annie Tirschwell, Dale Zeide, David Breen (NYC DOT), Andrea Pivnick, Erin Reese, Morgan Brill (Bogardus Capital Project)

- Support the Bogardus plaza project.

18. Tamara Downey, Dennis Spates, Loretta Thomas, Stacey Mayesh, Stan Sandberg (67 Murray Street)

- Concerned about the karaoke bar proposed for 67 Murray Street, the building where they live.

19. Matthew Foster, Andrea Taetle, Ben Betenn Hausen, Melody Malekan (Newsstand at Canal Street)

- Opposed to the proposed newsstand at Canal and Watts Streets.

20. Terry Hirst (313 Church Street)

- Concerned about the nightclub in the basement of her residential building.
- Concerned with renovations that will limit access to the building lobby and create possible security issues.

III. **Welcome**

1. John Haworth, Senior Executive, National Museum of the American Indian in New York

- Welcomed CB1 to the museum.
- 20th Anniversary of the museum is today.
- Bob Townley complimented the way the museum staff accommodates young students who visit for educational purposes.

2. Dorothy Dougherty, Programs Director, National Archives at New York City

- Thanked CB1.
- Moved facility here in 2012. Visitation has increased dramatically since the archives moved to this location.
- The national archives were started in the 1930s.

IV. **Business Session**

The Business Session began at 7:00pm, EDT.

A) Adoption of September 2014 minutes

- Passed as adopted

B) Chairperson's Report, Catherine McVay Hughes

- The full Chair's report is available at the following link on the Community Board 1 website: http://www.nyc.gov/html/mancb1/html/archives/chairpersons_report.shtml.

A few highlights:

- Fencing around 1 World Trade Center along Vesey and West Streets came down (mid-October). Busy pedestrian zone at WTC widened with fences coming down at 2 WTC and shifting south along Vesey Street between Church Street and West Broadway (10/06/14)

- Peck Slip Park eastern portion paved and opened to public as new active space (10/05/14)
- NYC Economic Development Corporation said that they will come back to CB1 for an update on helicopters
- Press Conference - WTC Victim's Compensation Fund October 12th deadline to file for cancer – with US Representatives Nadler and Maloney, responder and survivor advocates (10/06/14)
- Testimony - Int. 378, a Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to reducing greenhouse gases by eighty percent by two thousand fifty before the Committee on Environmental Protection (City Hall, 10/23/14)
- Citizen Preparedness Training Program – co-sponsored by CB1 with Governor Cuomo and other elected officials at P.S. 276, Battery Park City, 55 Battery Place. Free Go Bag (09/30/14)
- Speaker Silver's School Overcrowding Task Force Meeting (10/23/14)
- Lower Manhattan Historical Society – attended with Una Perkins (10/06/14)
- 346 Broadway meeting was called and chaired by Borough President Brewer, Council Member Chin and other elected representatives with City, Economic Development Corporation, Department of Citywide Administrative Services and Developer Peebles/Elad; postponed Landmark Preservation Commission hearing date for 108 Leonard/346 Broadway to 11/18/14 so that full CB1 can vote and developer came to CB1 Planning and Landmarks Committee meetings on October 10/06/14 (09/30/14)
- Michael Connolly will be stepping down as Co-Chair of the Tribeca Committee – thank you very much for all your years of dedication
- South Street Seaport Update – no date set up for next Seaport Working Group and special HHC Landmarks Committee. The process will require a Landmarks Committee and full board meeting prior to going to LPC.

C) District Manager's Report, Noah Pfefferblit

- The CB1 office has been informed that the move of the office to 1 Centre Street has been delayed by approximately six months.
- In accordance with a mayoral directive, CB1 is helping to promote voter registration by providing forms at all its meetings.

D) Treasurer's Report, Joel Kopel

- Thanked John Fratta and Lucy Acevedo for their work.

- Budget will be \$211,285 and numbers will increase as DC37 raises go into effect.

V. **Committee Reports**

Executive Committee

Capital and Expense Budget Requests for FY 2016 – Resolution
Passed: 38 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

City Council hearing re: Int. 378, A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to reducing greenhouse gases by eighty percent by two thousand fifty – Resolution
Passed: 37 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

Review of January-June 2015 calendar dates – Report

Calendars have been emailed.

Overview of total district population by neighborhood – Report

See PowerPoint report.

Planning Committee

Rent Protection Laws – Resolution
Passed: 37 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

346 Broadway/108 Leonard Street – Resolution
Passed: 29 In Favor 7 Opposed 1 Abstained 0 Recused

Lower Manhattan Resiliency Initiatives – Report

See PowerPoint presentation.

NY Rising Resiliency Initiatives in Lower Manhattan – Report

See PowerPoint presentation.

Con Edison Infrastructure Resiliency – Report

See PowerPoint presentation.

456-460 Washington Street, 421-a application for Preliminary Certificate of Eligibility – Report

Landmarks Committee

Bogardus Plaza, application for design approval – Resolution

Passed: 36 In Favor 2 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

346 Broadway/108 Leonard Street, application for rooftop penthouses, mechanical equipment, alterations to designated interior spaces and restoration of marble facades – Resolution

Passed: 35 In Favor 0 Opposed 3 Abstained 0 Recused

Governors Island Building 109, application for demolition of structurally unsound building – Resolution

Passed: 38 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

195 Broadway, application for installation of ADA-compliant ramp on Dey Street – Resolution

Passed: 38 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

211 West Broadway, application for new entrance platform and repairs to existing platform – Resolution

Passed: 38 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

Tribeca Committee

Schematic Geometric and Landscape Design for NYC Department of Design and Construction, Bogardus Plaza Project HWPLZ012M – Resolution

Passed: 29 In Favor 9 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

The board supported a recommendation in support of the capital project for the plaza.

67 Murray Street, application for liquor license for Kinjo Inc. d/b/a Gunbae – Resolution

Passed: 36 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 1 Recused

The resolution opposes the application since changes requested by the board were not made and requested documents not provided.

56 Reade Street, application for restaurant liquor license for Grazin' Tribeca LLC – Resolution

Passed: 37 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

33 Leonard Street, application for renewal of sidewalk café license for TK Rest. Corp. – Resolution

Passed: 37 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

329 Greenwich Street, application for sidewalk cafe license for 329 Greenwich Street, LLC d/b/a Telepan Local – Resolution

Passed: 37 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

Application for newsstand at S/E/C Canal & Watts Streets – Resolution
Passed: 37 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

The board opposed the newsstand application.

Due to time constraints, the following committees presented resolutions only. For details about reports, see the corresponding PowerPoint presentation (where applicable).

Financial District Committee

14 Wall Street, application for Board of Standards and Appeals special permit for a physical culture establishment – Resolution
Passed: 38 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

88 Broad Street, application for a liquor license for OBBM LLC – Resolution
Passed: 38 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

41 John Street, reconsideration of application for a wine and beer license for Chopping Block – Resolution
Passed: 38 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

Route 9A – Resolution
Passed: 38 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

Youth & Education Committee

The Proposed Re-siting of The Peck Slip School to a New Building – Resolution
Passed: 37 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

Battery Park City Committee

Two World Financial Center, application for liquor license for The Institute of Culinary Education Inc. (relocation) – Resolution
Passed: 37 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

Seaport/Civic Center Committee

Peck Slip Park – Resolution
Passed: 37 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

21 Ann Street, application for change in method of operation of a restaurant liquor license for Tre Monelli LLC – Resolution
Passed: 37 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

33 Peck Slip, application for a hotel liquor license for 33 Peck Slip Acquisition LLC
d/b/a The Jade Hotel Seaport – Resolution
Passed: 37 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

19 Fulton Street, application for a new restaurant liquor license for B and T Fulton LLC
d/b/a Ambrose Beer Garden – Resolution
Passed: 37 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

18 Fulton Street, application for a new restaurant liquor license for Superspace LLC d/b/a
Ambrose Hall – Resolution
Passed: 37 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

Quality of Life Committee

No resolutions presented.

Street Fair Task Force

Sponsorship of Street Fairs for Fundraising by CB 1 in 2015 – Resolution
Passed: 37 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

VI. **Old Business**

No old business to report.

VII. **New Business**

No new business to report.

VIII. **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:45pm, EDT.

Respectfully submitted by Adam Malitz, Secretary.