

**CB12 Parks and Cultural Affairs Committee**  
**Tuesday, April 10, 2018**

**Board Members Present:** Mitchell Glenn, Assistant Chair (chairing), Domingo Estevez, Barbara Frazier.

**Members Absent:** Richard Lewis (excused), Elizabeth Lorris Ritter, Daryl Cochrane, Natalie Espino (resigned due to new employment).

**Members of Public Present:** Jennifer Hoppa ( NYC Parks), Jennifer Gonzalez (Highbridge Park), Irina Bright (NYC Parks Intern), Anne Cabrers-Marus (NYRP), Saumon Oboudiya (BSC Architecture), William Culver (Hudson River Community Sailing), Steven Harris & Ilya Bernstein (Inwood Canoe Club), Jeune Mullgraw(Capulano & Co.), Amanda Krauss (Row, NY), Jeffria Maril (Harlem River Canoe and Rowing)

Quorum at 6:45pm.

1.Asst. Chair Mitchell Glenn announced the upcoming Arts Stroll, encouraged submissions. Also informed attendees of resolution CB12 passed concerning pending rezoning of Inwood.

2.Jennifer Hoppa, Northern Manhattan Parks, reported there are 22 ongoing capital projects. Updates: 215 step Staircase from Broadway to Cloisters should complete May 1<sup>st</sup>, including new railing.

Audubon Playground Comfort Stations should complete June/July.

Highbridge first \$10 Million allocated will go to 181<sup>st</sup> to Dyckman restoring paths and lighting and restore historic Laurel Staircase (with ADA Plaza Seating)

Ms. Hoppa also urged all to vote in Participatory Budgeting, mentioning several NYCHA playgrounds are proposed projects.

3. Urban Environmental Fellow Irina Bright reported on her work. May 12<sup>th</sup> is Highbridge Rocks! Community festival. Will feature Geology activities and Bouldering demonstrations by REI, introducing new sport to park.

“Everyone deserves a clean Park” initiative has developed 7 recycling collaborators, focusing on middle school students and some businesses. In Inwood Hill Park there have been over 300 public events and 42 funded groups in last year.

4. Sherman Creek Boathouse: 110 kids row every afternoon. 45% from District 6, 70% low income. They look to seek private funding to build new boat house in “parking lot” at Sherman Creek. Presented preliminary design to include boat storage, performance space, meeting room, tutoring/classroom space and small food service area.

5 Hudson River Community Sailing now has member sailing Thursday – Sunday at La Marina. Inwood resident rate is \$600/year. Registration is now open for Summer Sailing camp for middle and high school students. One week, renewable sessions from July 30 – August 17<sup>th</sup>. Some scholarships available. Their year round educational program is hampered in Inwood by lack of indoor boat house facility for teaching use.

Community Sail Days, free to public, are Sunday May 20<sup>th</sup>, Sat June 16, Sun, July 22<sup>nd</sup> and Sunday, August 19<sup>th</sup>. Register on-line.

6. Jennifer Gonzalez, Highbridge Parks, reports upcoming Thursday May 10, “Movies under the Stars and Best Dressed Contest” featuring Selena.

Note: Meeting next month will be joint Parks and Public Safety Meeting on Wednesday May 2, 2018 at 7pm.

Meeting adjourned 9pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara Frazier