

**CB9M Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting**  
**Minutes** (unanimously approved 12-2-09)

**Date:** Wednesday, November 4, 2009

**Location:** CB9M Offices, 18 Old Broadway

**Chair:** Brad W. Taylor

**Members Present:** Miriam Aristy-Farer, Savona Bailey McClain, Carole Singleton

**Members Absent:** Martha Norrick

**Other CB9 Members Present:** Pat Jones

**Public Member Present:** Laquita Henry

**Guests:** Gloria Lee, National Parks Service; Paul Evans, Alex Hart, George Boomer, Bob Redmond NYC DPR

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by the chair at 6:34pm with a quorum present.
2. **Adopt Agenda:** The agenda was adopted unanimously on a motion by S. McClain seconded by P. Jones.
3. **Adopt Minutes:** The minutes of the October, 2009 meeting were adopted unanimously with any necessary corrections on a motion by S. McClain seconded by P. Jones.
4. **Presentation:**
  1. NYCDPR made a presentation on the reconstruction of the Broadway Malls between 145<sup>th</sup> and 153<sup>rd</sup> Streets. The project budget is \$400K and is funded by Manhattan Borough President Scott M. Stringer. The project will go out to bid in December, 2009 with planting expected to begin in the Spring of 2010.
5. **Reports:**
  1. *National Park Service* - Gloria Lee. Work on the Hamilton Grange and Grant's Tomb Pavilion are progressing. NPS hopes for a soft opening of the Grange in July 2010. There will be a Veteran's Day Event at Grant's Tomb. Draft Plans for the vacated Grange site are close to being completed. There will be a public meeting to review the plans. This is expected to take place sometime in December, 2009.
  2. *NYC DPR* - Paul Evans, Mark Vacarro. Paul Evans will look into scheduling an information session about the parks permit application process. He will also relay the committees concerns about the lack of Riverside Park Fund events scheduled in CB9 particularly above 125<sup>th</sup> Street. Mark Vacarro reported on horticultural projects planned and underway in St. Nicholas and Morningside Parks.
1. **Action Item:** The Committee voted unanimously to authorize the Chair to draft a letter of support for the Broadway Malls reconstruction as presented tonight. The Chair will also draft a letter of thanks to the Borough President for allocating funds to this project.
2. **Old Business:** none
3. **New Business:** none
4. **Adjourn:** There being no further business the chair adjourned the meeting at 7:33pm

Respectfully submitted by Brad Taylor