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NOVEMBER 9, 2011 MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR MEETING
FAIRFIELD PAVILION 131-10 101 AVE RICHMOND HILL NY 11419

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT
ABSENCES AS OF APRIL 2011

Akhtar Ali	(0)	Joan DeCamp	(1)	Kevin O'Leary	(0)
Anton Dietrich	(2)	Rabbi Pollack	(0)	Clark Whitsett	(1)*
Sandra Datnarain	(2)	Ralph Gonzalez	(4)	Balbir Kaur	(2)
Dr. V. Evangelista	(0)	Raghbir Singh	(0)	Scott Jordan	(2)
Latchman Budhai	(0)	Susan Farrell	(0)	Regina Santoro	(0)
John Carter	(2)	Dr. Stephen Sofer	(0)	Maharani Singh	(1)
Sylvia Hack	(2)	Maria Thomson	(0)	Jim Coccovillo	(0)
Joseph Iaboni	(0)	Marie Turley	(0)	Ramon Rodriguez	(3)
Sherman Kane	(0)	Naidoo Veerapen	(1)	Seth Welins	(1)
Nick Comaianni	(0)	Priscilla Levine	(0)	Mohamed Safie	(2)
Andrea Crawford	(0)	Marian Molina	(0)	J. Richard Smith	(1)

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Rajinder S. Bawa	(4)	Raj Rampershad	(3)	Ivan Mrakovcic	(1)
Thomas Chiofolo	(4)	Stephen Esposito	(2)	Albert Cohen	(3)
Evelyn Baron	(1)	D. Bhattacharjee	(2)	Wallace Bock	(2)
Jan Fenster	(1)	Richard David	(4)	H. Singh Duggal	(3)
Melquiades Gagarin	(3)	Joseph Todisco	(4)	Sam Esposito	(4)*

* Absences from a meeting shall mean physical non-attendance and /or failure to be present for voting on two or more agenda items marked "Vote to be Taken" at any regular or special meeting of the Board.

ALSO PRESENT

Mary Ann Carey, Lisa Gomes, Irina Barayeva, Erica Dilan Staff

Legislative Representatives

Nick Roloson, Assembly Mbr. Miller
Richard Mumith, Council Mbr. Koslowitz
Mike Tracey, Congressman Turner
Robert Turner, Congressman
Marian Gottlieb, Senator Addabbo
Kate Mooney, CM Elizabeth Crowley

Phil Goldfeder, Assembly Member
Sal Simonetti, CM Ulrich
Erica Ulrich, Councilmember
Mohamed Hack, CM Wills
Dominick Pankal, Assembly Mbr. Lancman

GUESTS

Dinesh Meraito, resident
Guy Vieux, Queens College
Glen Urbanas, resident
Alana Manning, Queens Courier
Pauline Hsia, resident
Vanita Gaya, resident
Sam Goldman, Times News Weekly
Collin McDonald, resident
Scott Strober, Marbidge Reality
Patanjali Rambrich, Social Worker
Biniowtie Angelini, resident
James Capozzi, Aqueduct
Abraham Ortizm resident

Namanndan Jegammethan
Bob Capano, resident
Geovanny Prospal, resident
Amandeep Kumar, Baba Supermarket
Guisella Osterwalder, resident
Noel Loginal, resident
Latchman Nagaswatm York College
Jacob Berelowitz, Talk Therapy TV
Sean Leahy, Queens College
Harvey Levine, resident
Luis Gronda, The Forum Newspaper
Joanne Franco, Parent Leader
P.O. Martins, 102 PCT.

PUBLIC FORUM

David Kadarnauth- spoke about parking meters on 101Ave.

Richard Iritano- spoke about systemic corruption in the MTA.

Glenn Urbanas- spoke about the rezoning of Richmond Hill and Woodhaven

Chairperson Andrea Crawford introduced the legislators and their representatives and asked for updates:

Councilmember Eric Ulrich-spoke about several issues including the placement of garbage cans in Community Board 9 and the residential parking permit pilot program. This program would allow people living in neighborhoods where parking is difficult to get residential parking permits. The program would allow more parking for the people who actually live in the neighborhood as oppose to commuters who park their cars there or visit. Question and Answer Period followed.

Mohammad Hack representing Councilmember Wills stated that the councilmember will be holding self-defense classes in order for women to know how to protect themselves from attempted rape. There were three sessions and the final one will be tomorrow.

The location is 109-59 Inwood Street. The councilmember is planning on setting up additional self-defense classes.

Dominick Panakal Assemblyman Rory Lancman stated that the Assemblyman is working with the mayor's office to set up outreaches in schools for workshops on domestic violence. Call the office at 718-820-0241 for more information.

Kate Mooney representing Councilmember Crowley spoke about the residential parking permit pilot program. This program would allow people living in neighborhoods where parking is difficult to get residential parking permits. This program would allow more parking for the people who actually live in the neighborhood as oppose to commuters who park their cars there or visitor.

Assemblyman Michael Simanowitz – the newly elected assembly member stated there will be a flu shot initiative at the Richmond Hill Block Association on Jamaica Avenue. Call 718-969-1568 for more information.

Assemblyman Phil Goldfeder- the newly elected assembly member spoke about his new office and gave the phone number, 718-945-9550 for any inquiries.

PUBLIC HEARING

Liquor, Beer, & Wine Licenses, Letters of Intent Received

a. On Premise Eating Place Beer- New

Hills Xpress Grocery Inc.
D/b/a Hillside Xpress Grocery
117-01 Hillside Ave.
Richmond Hill, NY 11418
No Speakers

b. On Premise Beer & Wine License- Renewal

Yosmira Restaurant Inc.
131-09 Jamaica Ave.
Richmond Hill, NY 11418
No Speakers

Armando's Pollo Rico Restaurant Inc.
110-02 Jamaica Ave.
Richmond Hill, NY 11418
No Speakers

c. On Premise Liquor - Renewal

96-03 Bar & Grill Corp.
96-03 101 Ave.
Ozone Park, NY 11416
No Speakers

d. Off Premise Beer License- Renewal

Baba Supermarket
124-12 Jamaica Ave.
Richmond Hill, NY 11418
No Speakers

REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA

1. The Opening of Meeting & Reading of Minutes

Corrections/additions to October 2011 minutes:

Submitted by Maria Thomson: Page 3, under Legislators and Representatives- The length of time board members served for those that received longevity awards should be added.

Submitted by Maria Thomson: Page 6, under Education and Youth Services report- add that there is not full opt-out provision.

*Maria Thomson motioned to accept the October minutes as amended.
Nick Comaianni 2nd the motion.*

Motion #1: to adopt minutes as amended.
Vote #1: unanimous

2. Monthly Update- 102 PCT-

P.O. Martins spoke about the used car dealer on Atlantic Ave and Woodhaven Blvd. The 102 Pct is planning on doing a ticket blitz for the cars illegally parked on this high traffic intersection. He also spoke about De Riva d/b/a Moca, which is applying for their liquor license renewal. This is a known problem location. There are many reported incidences of the public disturbing the peace. He spoke about the bank robbery at Chase Bank and Capital One on Jamaica Ave. Call the office with any questions or concerns at 718-805-3215. Question and answer period followed.

3. Chairperson's Remarks and Executive Committee Report – Andrea Crawford

The Chairperson spoke about a meeting with Commissioner Lewandawski on November 1st where Forest Park Administrator Deborah Kuha spoke about the Forest Park Carrousel being operated as a non-for profit. The executive committee had a meeting with Bob Brennon from the LIRR about the graffiti and condition of the railroad at the Richmond Hill stop. The flawed results of the 2010 census shows that Astoria Queens has had a 100 % drop in vacancy since the last census. There was research done which proved that the Borough of Queens would be the seventh largest city in the U.S.

4. District Manager's Report- Mary Ann Carey

The NYPD plans having several classes in the next year for new applicants. There are currently 1595 officers in training at the academy, 749 to be hired in January. 1600 recruits for July. The PD does not know where they will be assigned. They will have an idea closer to graduation. The Department is not anticipating any Federal Funds.

Queens Narcotics 164 uniformed personnel made 5700 arrests, and served 237 search warrants. Operation Big Wheel a truck enforcement project started in Queens South and was so successful it was expanded to Queens North. In Queens South truck enforcement was up and accidents were down. Summonses were served; 945 off truck route, 753 truck inspections 180 truck storage.

Regarding the SLA- the patrol supervisor responds to locations with 3 summonses and he can nuisance abate and close them down. There is also a quarterly meeting with the nightlife association. Check with your precinct for the next date and location. The last one was at the Hall of Science on October 11th. We requested notification be sent to the Community Boards.

5. Transportation Committee- Andrea Crawford

Chairperson Crawford informed that board that the J-Line painting is being concluded in Community Board 9. Question and Answer Period Followed.

6. Land Use Committee Report- Sylvia Hack & Sherman Kane

Sherman Kane reported that the board is distributing flyers targeting illegal conversions, which is a serious issue in our area. The flyer explains what an illegal conversion is, its consequences and how to report it. Question and Answer Period Followed.

7. Education & Youth Services Committee Report- Nick Comaianni

Nick Comaianni spoke about the DOE sex education mandate which was tabled during last month's meeting. There was a discussion about the mandate, as to whether or not parents were able to opt their children out. Parents are not allowed to opt out of lessons regarding pregnancy and HIV, but may opt out of lessons on methods of prevention.

8. Health& Social Services Committee Report- Evelyn Baron

No report

9.. Parks, Recreation & Environment Committee Report- J. Richard Smith

No report.

Maria Thomson thanked the board for their support with the Woodhaven Street Fair on October 16.

13 Public Forum

Glenn Urbanas spoke about the DOB Self Certification Policy; this policy makes it easy for people to give inaccurate information. He requested the justification for DOB to continue using this policy.

Nick Comaianni motioned to adjourn the meeting, Latchman Budhai 2nd the motion.

The meeting ended at 10:15 PM