

SEPTEMBER 11, 2012 MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR MEETING

Villa Russo

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT
ABSENCES AS OF APRIL 2012

David Adorno	(0)	Joan DeCamp	(0)	Kevin O'Leary	(0)
Inderpaul Ahluwalia	(1)	Anton Dietrich	(1)	Rabbi D. Pollack	(0)
Akhtar Ali	(2)	H. Singh Duggal	(1)	Raj Rampershad	(0)
Evelyn Baron	(0)	Stephen Esposito	(1)	Mohamed Safie	(2)
Julio Batista	(0)	Dr. V. Evangelista	(0)	Regina Santoro	(1)
D. Bhattacharjee	(0)	Jan Fenster	(1)	Maharani Singh	(0)
Wallace Bock	(2)	Sylvia Hack	(0)	Ragbir Singh	(1)
Latchman Budhai	(2)	Joseph Iaboni	(0)	J. Richard Smith	(0)
John Carter	(1)	Sherman Kane	(0)	Dr. Stephen Sofer	(0)
Jim Coccovillo	(0)	Patrick Khan	(0)	Maria Thomson	(0)
Andrea Crawford	(0)	Priscilla Levine	(1)	Marie Turley	(0)
Sandra Datnarain	(0)	Marian Molina	(1)	Seth Welins	(0)
Richard David	(1)	Ivan Mrakovcic	(0)	Clark Whitsett	(0)

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Alex Blenkinsopp	(1)	Sam Esposito	(2)	Balbir Kaur	(2)
Albert Cohen	(0)	Ralph Gonzalez	(2)	Tony Rodrigues	(3)
Nick Comaianni	(0)	Scott Jordan	(2)	Joseph Todisco	(3)
Naidoo Veerapen	(1)				

ALSO PRESENT

Mary Ann Carey, District Manager
Lisa Gomes, Irina Barayeva, Staff

* 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.

Legislative Representatives

Mohamed Hack, CM Wills
Marian Gottlieb, Senator Addabbo
Wilma Bynum, QBPO
Sal Simmonetti, CM Ulrich
Paul Polcnco, AM Miller

Bruce Eiber, CM Kozlowitz
Scott Wolff, Assemblyman Simanowitz
Kate Mooney, CM Crowley
Morgan Jones, CAU/Mayor's Office

GUESTS

Murray Berger, KGCA
Vishnu Mahadeo, RHEDC
Patrick Jenkins, RW
Glenn Urbanas, RH
Joseph Reuter, RH
Wayne Anderson, RH High School
Jessica Bartolini, Energy Efficiency Pgm.
John Kennedy, Kew Gardens
Laura Krakoff, Kew Gardens
Marianne Blenkinsopp, Woodhaven
George Matassov, RH
Sarah Carpenter, RH
Alfred Lane, RH
Victor Hinojosa, RH
David Milder, RH
Sam Goldman, Times Newsweekly
M. Philip, Martin De Porres Group Homes
Kathleen Morris, M. De Porres Group Homes
Saul, Martinez, M. De Porres Group Homes
Jackie She, ACS
Sarah Bass, ACS
Norman Rosenthal, Kew Gardens
Anemarie Ram, RH
Anne Lagamay, CUNY Journalism School
Dominicke Rafsu, Queens Chronicle
Claudio Zarparini, RH
Hemlall Surutharime, RH
Capt. Briffa, 102 Pct

Scott Strober, Marbridge Realty
H. Levine, RH
Cynthia Dickerson
Dominick Pistone, RH
Carol Lacks, Kew Gardens
Isabel Rodriguez, Smoke Free Partnership
Bill Gati, RH
Warren Siegel, MD, Kew Gardens
Alice Jena, RH
Helen Day, RH
Paul Wilbur, RH
Sonja Lane, RH
Simcha Waisman, RH
Maria Hinojosa, RH
Alisson Pedone
A. Trilbianpslam, RH
Donna Clayton, M. De Porres Group Homes
Doviki Danid, M. De Porres Group Homes
Anjali Singh, ACS
Lisa Groom, ACS
Ross Barka, Queens Tribune
Mercedes Woodsm, Ozone Park
K. Qurashi, Ozone Park
Helen Dax, RH Historical Society
Arthur Mavashev, Ozone Park
Brooks Borden, RGCA
PO Martins, 102 Pct
Sgt. Abrahams, 102 Pct

PUBLIC FORUM

Joseph Reuter – spoke about poor grading in various parks, including Forest Park and maintenance of NYC triangles.

Carol Lacks, Kew Gardens – invited all to a Walk to End Alzheimer’s on Sunday, September 30, 2012 at Flushing Meadows Corona Park.

Wayne Anderson, RH High School – introduced himself and laid out a set of his goals.

Isabel Rodriguez, Smoke Free Partnership – spoke about major tobacco control initiatives, i.e. smoke free housing, etc. She invited all to a Queens Smoke-Free Partnership 1st Annual Community Roundtable on Sept. 12, 2012 at Queens Borough Hall.

Jessica Bartolini, CHHAYA – talked about Energy Efficiency Program that helps homeowners and renters get free energy assessments and apply for money to do the recommended home improvements.

Murray Burger, KGCA- spoke against installation of a speed hump on Abingdon Rd, between 83rd Ave & Lefferts Blvd and proposed installation of a 4-Way stop at that intersection instead. He also spoke about 84th Ave conversion. If is converted into a one way street then other streets have to be modified as well. It would also make sense to create a no parking zone in front of Atria so trucks can park without interrupting traffic.

Bill Gati, Richmond Hill – stated that the majority of people on his block are opposed to conversion of 84th Ave to a one way street as to it is going to create many dangerous situations.

PUBLIC HEARING

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

a. On Premise Liquor License- New

Crystal Blue Party Room & Theater Inc.
74-02 101 Ave
Ozone Park, NY 11416
No Speakers

Tajadas Bakery Restaurant Inc.
97-05 Jamaica Ave.
Woodhaven, NY 11421
No Speakers

Lana Pinchasov, President (establishment name to be determined)
116-35 Metropolitan Ave.
Richmond Hill, NY 11418
No Speakers

A One Restaurant Inc.
101-01 101 Ave
Ozone Park, NY 11416
No Speakers

b. **On Premise Liquor License- Renewal**

Starz Princess Inc.
107-11 101 Ave
Ozone Park, NY 11416
No Speakers

Hermes Billiards & Café
102-14 Jamaica Ave.
Richmond Hill, NY 11418
No Speakers

CZ Tavern Inc.
D/b/a Kew Club
119-13 Metropolitan Ave.
Kew Gardens, NY 11415
No Speakers

c. **On Premise Wine & Beer- New**

Odradeks Coffee House
82-60 Austin St.
Kew Gardens, NY 11415
No Speakers

d. **On Premise Wine & Beer License – Renewal**

Mehak Corp.
D/b/a Mehak Restaurant
83-06 Austin St.
Kew Gardens, NY 11415
No Speakers

Olympic Diner, Inc.
117-33 Myrtle Ave.
Richmond Hill, NY 11418
No Speakers

Mexico El Salvador Restaurant Inc.
114-02 Jamaica Ave.
Richmond Hill, NY 11418
No Speakers

Shots Pool Hall Inc.
D/b/a Shots Billiards
87-50 Lefferts Blvd.
Richmond Hill, NY 11418
No Speakers

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

Lucky Thailand Kitchen, Inc.
86-05 Jamaica Ave.
Woodhaven, NY 11421
No Speakers

e. **On Premise Beer License- Renewal**

Forest Park Golf Corp.
81-01 Park Lane South
Woodhaven, NY 11421
No Speakers

2. **FY2014 Preliminary Capital & Expense Budget**
No Speakers

3. **Martin De Porres 6 Bed Agency Operated Boarding Home – NYC Close to Home Initiative**

101-30 92nd Street
Ozone Park, NY 11416
No Speakers

4. Street Conversion Requests:

REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA

1. The Opening of Meeting & Reading of Minutes

No Corrections to the Minutes.

**Joe laboni made a motion to accept minutes as amended.
Nick Comaianni seconded the motion.**

Motion #1 to accept May minutes as presented.

Vote #1: unanimous

2. Monthly Update- 102 PCT-

P.O. Martins reported that there will be a gun buyback program at the 103 Pct. on August 2. There will be a Harmony picnic at Roy Wilkins Park on June 11. There will be a picnic for Cerebral Palsy event on June 20 at 249-16 Grand Central Parkway.

Question and Answer Period Followed.

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

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

Alex Schnell, Assemblyman Hevesi- nothing to report.

Marian Gottlieb, Senator Addabbo- nothing to report, have a great summer.

Alexander Marion, Assembly member. Miller- The budget had been passed early; it is the first early budget since 1983. There will be a summer safety spectacular event on June 23 at the Forest Park Bandshell.

Richard Mumith, Council Member Koslowitz- Gave out flyers to the Pacific Islander event on May 17.

Rudy Giuliani, Councilmember Eric Ulrich- stated there will be a first meeting on rezoning in Ozone Park in June 19.

Amir Abbady, Council Member Ruben Wills- stated the council member is working on two petitions: Kindergarten as a right, and no cuts to after school programs.

Council Member Elizabeth Crowley- spoke about the rezoning law that was passed which will preserve the neighborhood. Local fire houses are necessary and will not be cut in new budget. P.S. 306 afterschool programs will be preserved. The Forest Park Carousel is up and running. This Saturday there will be a concert at the Forest Park Band shell.

Question and answer period followed.

4. District Manager's Report- Mary Ann Carey

At the District Manager's Meeting there were presentations by the FDNY-EMS Mobile Training Unit. This unit is available for free on-site training to provide instructions on CPR to 20 or more interested individuals. The presenters were Ann L. Fitton, Division Chief EMS Academy, Caesar Escobar, Captain, Community CPR Program. A training session is available for CB9 members and/or interested community residents during our off season of July and August. If you are interested in participating in this life-saving class call the office for more information.

I attended a meeting of the Ozone Park Merchants' Association Chaired by our own Dr. Evangelista. The meeting was well attended by Merchants concerned about the impact on the community and their businesses by the cleanup of toxic waste at the Ozone Industries site on 99th & 100th Streets between 101 and 103 Avenues. The representatives of Ozone Industries agreed to work with the Merchant's and notify them of their time line. The group is also interested in re-zoning of the Ozone Park Area particularly along the 101 Avenue Strip as described. I informed the group that the Board Office is available to assist in any way. To that end, this morning I contacted John Young's office and arranged for a representative to attend their next meeting to hear their concerns. Time and Date to be set Applications are being accepted for Richmond Place Affordable Housing 129-09 Jamaica Avenue and the Richmond Hill Senior Living Residence. If you are interested in obtaining an application kindly contact the District office for information.

5. Guest Speaker- Joe Raskin- MTA- J Line Painting

Mr. Raskin reported that work on the rehabilitation and painting of the J and Z line's elevated structure is ongoing. 70% of the structural painting work has been completed, 40% of the structural steel work is done and 35% of the column bases have been repaired. Substantial completion of this work is scheduled for April 2013.

NYC Transit will provide more information in the fall concerning work that will take place at J and Z line stations. We had originally planned to do so this month, but the scope of work has expanded.

6. Transportation Committee- Andrea Crawford

Request for Installation of Speed Humps:

- 80thSt. between Park Lane South & Jamaica Ave.

Motion #2 To send letter of support for speed hump on 80thSt. Between Park Lane South and Jamaica Ave.

Vote #2: unanimous

- 98th St. from Jamaica Ave. to Park Lane South

Motion #3 To send letter of support for speed hump at 98th St. from Jamaica Ave. to Park Lane South .

Vote #3: 38 in favor, 1 Not Present

- 94th St. from 89th Ave. to Jamaica Ave.

Motion #4 To Send letter of support for speed hump at 94th St. from 89th Ave. to Jamaica Ave.

Vote #4: 38 in favor, 1 Not Present

- Austin Street between Lefferts Blvd. and 127th Street

Motion #5 To Send letter of support for speed hump at Austin Street between Lefferts Blvd. and 127th Street

Vote #5: unanimous

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

There was a vote on the Cal. 68-12-BZ- 89-15 Rockaway Blvd., Variance & Extension of time to obtain a New Certificate of Occupancy for a Gasoline Service Station & Repair Facility.

Motion #6 To send letter of support BSA Cal. 68-12-BZ- 89-15 Rockaway Blvd.

Vote #6: 38 in favor, 1 Abstention

8. Education & Youth Services Committee Report- Seth Welins

- There was a Resolution regarding lowering of the Compulsory School Age in NYC from 6 to 5 years of age.

Discussion period followed.

Motion #7 To table the vote for Resolution regarding lowering of the Compulsory School Age in NYC, from 6 to 5 years of age.

Vote #7: 29 in favor, 10 Opposed

Discussion period continued.

Motion #8 To close debate on education resolution

Vote #8: 20 in favor, 18 opposed

- Resolution re: Relationship between the Dept. of Education and Community Boards.

Motion #9 To send resolution regarding relationship between the Dept. of Education and Community Boards.

Vote #9: 35 in favor, 3 opposed, 1 Abstention

9. Health & Social Services Committee Report- Evelyn Baron

HeartShare Human Services of New York, which had been providing services for almost 100 years proposed a community Residence at 88-38 Woodhaven Blvd. to establish a community residence for developmentally disabled persons with ambulation difficulties. They currently have eight other community residences throughout the borough of Queens.

There was a Request to establish a community residence for 10 developmentally disabled persons with ambulation difficulties at 88-38 Woodhaven Blvd. Woodhaven, NY 11421

Motion #10 To send letter of support for HeartShare Human Services of New York group home at 88-38 Woodhaven Blvd. Woodhaven, NY 11421

Vote #10: Unanimous

Ms. Baron also welcomed Wally Bock back to the board.

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

There was a report regarding the Ozone Park polluted property clean up. The T.C.E. pollutant is causing sickness in the area. The area is between 101st Ave and 103rd Ave.

11. Public Safety & Consumer Affairs Committee Report- Jim Coccovillo

❖ On Premise Wine & Beer License – New

Resort Restaurant & Lounge, Inc.
88-19 Jamaica Ave.
Woodhaven, NY 11421

Motion #11 To send letter of opposition for Resort Restaurant & Lounge, Inc. 88-19 Jamaica Ave.

Vote #11: unanimous

84-23 Polleria Inc.
84-23 Jamaica Ave
Woodhaven, NY 11421

Motion #12 To send letter of no opposition for 84-23 Polleria Inc. 84-23 Jamaica Ave

Vote #12: 38 in favor, 1 opposed

❖ **On Premise Wine & Beer License – Renewal**

Tropical Deli Café Corp.
88-19 Jamaica Ave.
Woodhaven, NY 11421

Motion #13 To send letter of opposition for Tropical Deli Café Corp. 88-19 Jamaica Ave.

Vote #13: unanimous

❖ ***Austin Ale House Alteration Application, additional tables, & Chairs for outside seating.***

***Austin Ale House
82-70 Austin St.
Kew Gardens, NY 11415***

*Motion #14 To Send letter of no opposition for Austin Ale House Alteration Application
For additional tables and chairs for outside seating.*

Vote # 14: 35 In favor, 3 opposed, and 1 not present

12. Old Business

Andrea Crawford reported that the board received a “thank you” card for all of the warm wishes from CB 9 from Susan Farrell’s family.

Nick Comaianni thanked the office for the Men in Black III movie tickets.

13. New Business

Joan DeCamp requested a letter to be drafted requesting the Q37 does not enter into Resorts World Casino, as it makes the commute much longer.

Wally Bock spoke about resurfacing in Kew Gardens.

Rabbi Pollack spoke about his daughter’s wedding.

Andrea Crawford wished all a happy summer.

Public Forum

No Speakers

Wally Bock motioned to adjourn the meeting, Evelyn Barron 2nd the motion.

The meeting ended at 11:00 PM

Patrick Jenkins, from Resorts World Casino- stated that 250 jobs have been added to the roster. This brings the total number of jobs to 10750. Go to RWNewYork.com for information.