

COMMUNITY BOARD #3

655 Rossville Avenue
Staten Island, N. Y. 10309

Environmental Committee Minutes

January 8, 2009

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

***denotes Committee members**

Thomas Barlotta, Chairman Environmental Committee

Frank Contrera

Judy Goodstein

Maribel Sansone

Frank Santarpia

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Edward Canlon

Chairman Barlotta briefed newly appointed committee members Judy Goodstein and Frank Santarpia on the role and future goals of the Environmental Committee, highlighting the following:

- Brookfield Landfill remediation.
- Fresh Kills Landfill remediation
- Encroachment onto wetlands by developers
- Outreach to other environmental groups

He emphasized the importance of an ongoing relationship with the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation and the NYC Department of Environmental Protection.

The committee discussed the south shore's eroding waterfront and will revive the effort for restoration of beaches. The committee will contact the Army Corps of Engineers and request they undertake shoreline replenishment.

Tom Barlotta briefed new members on the Bluebelt, Staten Island's natural storm water management system. He announced that the Environmental Committee has become a member of the Adopt a Bluebelt Maintenance Program and has chosen the site located behind the board office on Rossville Avenue. The Committee will maintain the location for one year with the option to renew adoption annually.

All Environmental Committee members were encouraged to attend other Community Board #3 committee meetings and to attend the required monthly General Board Meeting.

In unrelated business, Frank Contrera enlightened the committee on group homes and Padavan Law.

The next meeting will be held on February 12, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. in the board office.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Barlotta