

COMMUNITY BOARD #3

**655 Rossville Avenue
Staten Island, N. Y. 10309**

Human Resources Committee

October 6, 2009

Committee Members Present:

John Cassese, Chairman Human Resources
Daniel Ajello
Dawn Raner

Committee Members Absent:

Amy Maniscalco
Diane Peruggia
Todd Tabacco

Guests:

Janine Materna

AGENDA:

The Committee discussed the ruling by Federal Court Judge, Nicholas G. Garaufis, stating that New York State violated the Americans with Disabilities Act by housing 4,300 mentally ill people into 28 large and poorly run adult homes across the city rather than integrating them into the community. More than 80 percent of the residents at these homes were reported as having mental illnesses, according to State Health Department figures. Adult homes on Staten Island included Lakeside Manor in Brighton Heights, Anna Erika Assisted Living in New Brighton, The New Broadview Manor Home for Adults and Assisted Living Facility in South Beach and St. Cosmas & Damian Adult Home in Mariners Harbor. The State must devise a “remedial plan” for the residents by next month; the judge will then issue an injunction spelling out the steps the State must take. The Committee discussed how the Judge will respond and what the impact of this decision will have on Staten Island Communities.

The next Human Resource Committee meeting will be Tuesday, November 10, 2009 at the Community Board 3 Office, 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John Cassese, Chairman
Human Resources Committee