

**COMMUNITY BOARD #3**  
655 Rossville Avenue  
Staten Island, N. Y. 10309  
**Traffic & Transportation Committee**  
~and~  
**Public Service Committee Minutes**  
**February 8, 2010**

**TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION**

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Frank Morano, *Chairman of the Board*  
Vincent Calamia  
George Fehling  
Sharon Goodman-Merola  
James Gallagher

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Frank Contrera - Excused  
Robert Coughlin  
Mario Rapaglia

**PUBLIC SERVICE**

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Patricia Conway, *Chairwoman Public Service*  
William Killips

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Michael DiPilato  
John Felicetti – Excused  
Michael Ryan

**STAFF:**

Charlene Wagner, District Manager

**GUESTS:**

Vincent Mecca, Amalgamated Transit Union Local 726  
Marie Bodnar  
Richard Gualtieri, resident

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Frank Morano, Chairman of the Board opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance

**PUBLIC CONTACT SESSION:**

Vincent Mecca, representative from the Amalgamated Transit Union, Local 726 asked the Committee to oppose cuts and elimination of service proposed by the MTA. Cuts affecting Community Board #3 includes:

1. ***Discontinue Use - X6***  
from the Eltingville Transit Center to Midtown
2. ***Discontinue Weekend Service - S54***  
Great Kills, Richmond Road, Arthur Kill Road & Giffords Lane
3. ***Discontinue Weekend Service – S76***  
Oakwood, Mill Road, Ebbitts Street

Mr. Mecca stated that less than ½% of MTA funds are given back to Staten Island. He urged that board members and the public attend the MTA Public Hearing on March 2, 2010.

**MOTION: by Frank Morano** *“to send a letter in opposition of the MTA’s proposed elimination and cuts to all bus service on Staten Island, and strongly contest termination or suspension of MTA card allotments to students.”*

**SECOND: Patricia Conway**

**VOTE: 8-0-0**

**MOTION PASSED UNIMOUSLY**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

George Fehling discussed the ongoing traffic condition on the entrance to the Korean War Veteran’s Parkway at Richmond Avenue.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Frank Morano attended the Tri-State Transportation Campaign held by District Attorney Daniel Donovan on January 8, 2010. Recent improvements to Hylan Boulevard were detailed. Since November 2009 the NYPD has increased enforcement on Hylan Boulevard issuing approximately 7,000 violations, 20% for speeding. Thomas Cocola, DOT Borough Commissioner reported that traffic accidents on Hylan Boulevard have also decreased.

Chairman Morano told the Tri-State Campaign that installing sidewalks on NYS and NYC owned land would also be beneficial. He suggested (as he has on numerous occasions) that a second access road from and to Wolfe’s Pond Park on Hylan Boulevard is needed. He also restated Community Board #3’s objections to the bike lanes on Hylan Boulevard.

Meeting adjourned 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Conway, Chairwoman  
Public Service Committee

Frank Morano, Chairman of the Board