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Joseph Russo  
Chairperson

Matthew Cruz  
District Manager

## Public Hearing & Full Board Minutes of Bronx Community Board #10

November 18, 2021, 7:00 p.m.

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**PRESENT:** T. Accomando, R. Barbarelli, R. Bieder, M. Bufano, P. Cantillo, M. Caruso, T. Chambers, Col. W. Chin, A. Chirico, P. Del-Debbio, G. Havranek, D. Hunt, C. Isales, J. Jemmott, D. Krynicki, V. Lajei, J. Landi, J. Mondello, M. Morris, M.J. Musano, D. Noble, T. O’Garro, D. Prioleau, L. Popovic, J. Robert, N. Rosario, Russo, M. Sajous, N. Sala, A. Salimbene, T. Smith, J. Thomas, M. Velazquez, S. Woods (total # present = 34)

**ABSENT:** M. Ali, R. Baez, M. Davila, T. Franklin, S. Hazell, M. Johnson, J. Marano, S. McMillan, J. McQuade, E. Olton, J. Onwu, A. Torres, B. Vasquez (total # absent = 13)

**Board #10 Staff:** Matt Cruz, District Manager  
Susan Duffy, Community Assistant

Chairman Joseph Russo began the meeting at 7:03 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SECTION:**

1. Yao Kra: Mr. Kra is a volunteer at several food pantries in the City. The NYS Legislature introduced bills for grocers and farmers to receive food credits when donating excess inventory to food banks. He is asking the community to contact their local elected NYS officials to bring the bills to a vote. The bill for the Senate is S2147. 646-763-7694; [yk9683576@gmail.com](mailto:yk9683576@gmail.com)

A motion to close the Public Participation Session was made by Mr. Bieder, seconded by Mr. Accomando and unanimously approved by all.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. “**Resolved...**to accept the minutes of the Bronx Community Board #10 meeting of **October 21, 2021.**”

A motion to accept the October 21, 2021 Minutes was made by Mr. Bieder, seconded by Mr. Accomando, and unanimously approved by all. **The Resolution passed.**

2. **Economic Development – Renewal Licenses**

“**Resolved**...at the recommendation of the Economic Development Committee of Bronx Community Board #10, that the following establishments applying for renewal licenses have agreed to comply with the best management practice standards contained within the Stipulations, by signing them, and to further agree to attend ATAP training, and that their compliance be sent to the State Liquor Authority, along with the Resolution and the vote, and copies placed in the Board’s file:

- La Cocina Boricua, 2245 B Westchester Ave, 10462, between Glebe & Castle Hill Avenues, License #1227260, which expires on 12/31/2021.
- Shamrock Inn, 1729 Crosby Ave, 10461, between Westchester & Roberts Avenues, License #1003945, which expires on 12/31/2021.
- Applebee’s Grill & Bar, 2276 Bartow Ave, 10475, between Co-op City & Bay Plaza Boulevards, License # 1004241, which expires on 11/30/2021.
- Estrellita Poblana 1, 2227-2231 Westchester Ave, 10462, between Glebe & Castle Hill Avenues, License #1259128, which expires on 12/31/21.

A motion to accept the resolution for renewal licenses was made by Ms. Isales, seconded by Bishop Rosario and approved unanimously. **The Resolution passed.**

3. **Economic Development - New Licenses**

“**Resolved**...at the recommendation of the Economic Development Committee of Bronx Community Board #10, that the following establishments have agreed to comply with the best management practice standards contained within the Stipulations, by signing them, and to further agree to attend ATAP training, and that their compliance be sent to the State Liquor Authority, along with the Resolution and the vote, and copies placed in the Board’s file:

- Anthony’s Restaurant, 273 City Island Ave, 10464, between Hawkins & Carroll Streets, License #NEW. **(Formerly Bistro SK)**

<b>Indoor Hours:</b>	<b>Sun</b> 1PM-9PM	<b>Mon</b> Closed	<b>Tues</b> 12PM-10PM	<b>Wed</b> 12PM-10PM	<b>Thur</b> 12PM-10PM	<b>Fri</b> 12PM-11PM	<b>Sat</b> 3PM-11PM
<b>MOP:</b>	Recorded Music, DJ, Live Music						
<b>Outdoor Hours:</b>	<b>Sun</b> 1PM-9PM	<b>Mon</b> Closed	<b>Tues</b> 12PM-10PM	<b>Wed</b> 12PM-10PM	<b>Thur</b> 12PM-10PM	<b>Fri</b> 12PM-11PM	<b>Sat</b> 3PM-10PM

A motion to accept the Resolution for new licenses was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Bieder, and approved by a majority with one recusal. **The Resolution passed.**

**DISTRICT MANAGER’S REPORT:** Mr. Cruz

- Mr. Cruz noted that there are several turkey giveaways throughout the community

- Beginning January 2022, the Board will resume in person meetings; proof of vaccination or negative 72 hour covid test and masks will be required for admission
- Executive Board elections will take place in January
- December 9, 2021 will be the Board's annual gathering at the Wicked Wolf, additional details will be emailed to the membership
- On behalf of the Board, Mr. Cruz wished all a Happy Thanksgiving

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **EXECUTIVE BOARD:** Mr. Russo

The Committee met on November 15, 2021. The minutes are self-explanatory. Mr. Russo wants Board members to familiarize themselves with Parliamentary Procedure. He congratulated Marjorie Velazquez for being elected to the NYC Council beginning in January 2022 as well as congratulating Mr. Bieder to his appointment as Municipal Services Committee Chair and Ms. Torres to her appointment as Youth & Education Chair. Both Chair appointments will begin in January.

### **HOUSING/ZONING COMMITTEE:** Mr. Popovic

The Committee met on November 9, 2021. Minutes are self-explanatory.

### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:** Mr. Accomando

The Committee met on November 3, 2021. The minutes are self-explanatory. There were Resolutions for renewals and new licenses outlined above and all were approved. Tom Smith will be new co-chair since Hannah Acampora moved out of state.

### **YOUTH & EDUCATION COMMITTEE:** Mr. Bieder

The Committee met on October 25, 2021. The minutes are self-explanatory. Mr. Bieder commended Ms. Angela Torres on her appointment as the new Committee Chair.

### **MUNICIPAL SERVICES COMMITTEE:** Ms. Velazquez

The Committee did not meet in November.

### **PARKS/RECREATION COMMITTEE:** Mr. Franklin

The Committee did not meet in November.

### **HEALTH/HUMAN SERVICES:** Bishop Rosario

No meeting in October, next is November 23, 2021.

**NOMINATIONS and ELECTIONS:** Ms. Krynicki

Executive Board Nominations:

Chairperson – Joe Russo (incumbent) will be running unopposed  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair – Denise Noble (incumbent) and Taisha Chambers  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair – Peter Cantillo (incumbent) will be running unopposed.  
Ms. Noble had been nominated but declined.  
Secretary - Taisha Chambers (incumbent) and Cynthia Isales  
Ms. Caruso, Mr. Sala, and Mr. Robert were nominated but declined.  
Treasurer - Mary Jane Musano (incumbent) will be running unopposed

A motion to close the nominations was unanimous. The Election will take place on January 20, 2022.

**ELECTED OFFICIALS:**

Borough President Ruben Diaz Jr.: BP Diaz thanked the community for their many years of service; he summarized his many efforts throughout his tenure.

Office of State Senator Biaggi, Angela Conley: Ms. Conley noted the outreach efforts including the co-sponsored with US Congressperson Ocasio-Cortez and newly elected Council Member Velazquez on November 20, 2021 Food Empowerment and Giveaway Fair at the Huntington Library.

State Senator Luis Sepulveda: noted outreach efforts being undertaken by his office including the Workforce Development Program, distribution of food and turkeys, and rental assistance. Contact his office for additional information. 718-991-3161.

Office of State Assemblyman Benedetto, Matthew McKay: noted outreach efforts being undertaken by the office including turkey giveaways and the discounted driver safety program. Call office for additional information 718-892-2235.

Office of NYC Council Member Mark Gjonaj, Farah Rubin: noted outreach efforts being undertaken by the office including turkey giveaways which requires signup by 11/19/21.

Office of Bronx District Attorney Clark, Marilex Santana: Scheduling a gun buy-back program for December in the 47<sup>th</sup> Precinct. Information will be forthcoming when date is confirmed.  
Board Member Morris inquired about gun courts; Ms. Santana will research and reply to him.

Office of U.S. Congress Member Jamaal Bowman, Edili Espaillat, Director of Constituent Services: noted outreach efforts being undertaken by office. The office is open – call (718) 530-7710 for assistance.

Office of U.S. Congress Member Ocasio-Cortez, Angelica Ramon: FEMA application deadline is 12/6/21 and appeals are permitted, call 888-399-5459. Applications are still being accepting for intern positions at the Jackson Heights Office. The Bronx has a satellite office at 1973 Westchester Avenue in the office of NYS Assembly Member Reyes. For information and assistance call 718-662-5970.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Ms. Caruso noted that the Board was awarded the Community Service Award on behalf of the City Island Chamber of Commerce and was accepted on behalf of the Board by Mr. Cantillo. Board staff were in attendance.

Ms. Velazquez – will be resigning effective December 31, 2021 and is looking forward to her new position as NYC Council Member.

Ms. Noble noted that no monies were received from GOSR (Governor’s Office of Storm Recovery) due to Hurricane Sandy for flooding throughout the waterfront communities. A discussion among Board members took place about the different funding allocations. Mr. Russo requested that District Manager Cruz look into the concern and report back for the December 7, 2021 Municipal Services Committee meeting.

Mr. Del-Debbio noted that he is a BP appointee of the Solid Waste Advisory Board, Legislative Committee (SWAB). The committee is working to address solid waste and environmental concerns in the borough.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Chairman Russo wished all Happy Thanksgiving.

Motion to close the November 18, 2021 Community Board #10 meeting was made by Mr. Bieder, seconded by Bishop Rosario and unanimously approved by all.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Duffy.

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This is to certify that the foregoing minutes reflect the information that was discussed at the full Board meeting of November 18, 2021.



T. Chambers, *Secretary*  
Dated: November 22, 2021

<b>NOVEMBER 18, 2021</b> <b>BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD 10</b> 47 Members / 25=Quorum	A T T E N D	1. 10-21-2021 Minutes  1 <sup>st</sup> Bob B. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tom A.	2. Econ Dev RENEWAL Licenses  1 <sup>st</sup> Cynthia I. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nancy R.	3. Econ Dev NEW Licenses  1 <sup>st</sup> Tom S. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Bob B.	4.  1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup>	5.  1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup>	NOTES: A abstain X against V in favor R recuse
Board Member Name							
Accomando, Thomas	P	√	√	√			
Ali, Mohammed	A						
Baez, Raquel	A						
Barbarelli, Robert	P	√	√	√			
Bieder, Robert	P	√	√	√			
Bufano, Milagros	P	√	√	√			
Cantillo, Peter	P	√	√	√			
Caruso, Maria	P	√	√	R			
Chambers, Taisha	P	√	√	√			
Chin, Col. William	P	√	√	√			
Chirico, Andrew	P	√	√	√			
Davila, Michele	A						
Del-Debbio, Peter	P	√	√	√			
Franklin, Terence	A						
Hazell, Stefani	A						
Havranek, George	P	√	√	√			
Hunt, Deborah	P	√	√	√			
Isales, Cynthia	P	√	√	√			
Jemmott, Jarius	P	√	√	√			
Johnson, Monique	A						
Krynicky, Dorothy	P	√	√	√			
Landi, Jerry	P	√	√	√			
Lajei, Valon	P	√	√	√			
Marano, John	A						
McMillan, Susan	A						
McQuade, James	A						
Mondello, Joseph	P	√	√	√			
Morris, Martin	P	√	√	√			
Musano, Mary Jane	P	√	√	√			
Noble, Denise	P	√	√	√			
O'Garro, Tremaine	P	√	√	√			
Olton, Errol	A						
Onwu, Joseph	A						
Popovic, Louis	P	√	√	√			
Prioleau, Devon	P	√	√	√			
Robert, John	P	√	√	√			
Rosario, Bishop Nancy	P	√	√	√			
Russo, Joseph	P	√	√	√			
Sala, Nick	P	√	√	√			
Salimbene, Anthony	P	√	√	√			
Sajous, Michelle	P	√	√	√			
Smith, Tom	P	√	√	√			
Thomas, Janine	P	√	√	√			
Torres, Angela	A						
Vasquez, Bryan Hodge	A						
Velazquez, Marjorie	P	√	√	√			
Woods, Stephanie	P	√	√	√			
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