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Chairperson

Matthew Cruz
District Manager

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

June 15, 2023, 7:00 p.m.

UFT Building

2500 Halsey Street

Bronx, New York 10461

PRESENT: T. Accomando, R. Baez, R. Barbarelli, R. Bieder, C. Brockington, M. Bufano, P. Del-Debbio, D. Gonzalez, S. Hazell, D. Hunt, D. Krynicki, J. Mondello, M. Morris, N. Nunez, L. Popovic, D. Prioleau, N. Rosario, J. Russo, T. Smith, A. Torres, S. Woods (total # present = 21)

ABSENT: M. Ali, P. Cantillo, M. Caruso, J. Connolly, T. Franklin, J. Gomez, J. Grell, J. Marano, S. McMillan, MJ. Musano, J. Robert, N. Sala, A. Salimbene, M. Sajous, J. Thomas (total # absent = 15)

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

Chairman Joseph Russo began the meeting at 7:17 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SECTION:

1. Ely Fontanez, Pelham Bay: Mr. Fontanez is requesting assistance with the excessive noise from motorized bicycles and ATVs that congregate on Pelham Parkway during the late evening hours; NYPD disperses the crowd which quickly returns. He wants more enforcement. Also, there is widespread placard abuse of NYPD and MTA workers that he'd like addressed. One location is the vicinity of Burr Avenue to Colonial Avenue as well as hydrants and the parking lot of Burger King.
2. NYPL Throgs Neck, Leida Velazquez and Westchester Square, Luz Marin: Libraries are in a crisis and funding cuts may be made to NYPL budgets. They are asking for support; individuals can go online to NYPL.org and submit an online support letter. Throgs Neck Branch will reopen in July; Westchester Square has ongoing programs.
3. Vonetta Dudley, Public Health Solutions: organization which works to protect others through tobacco (vaping and cigarettes) control policy. HealthSolutions.Org.

4. Martina Feliz – Tequila Night Lounge: representing the establishment for a liquor license.

Motion to close the Public Participation session was made by Mr. Popovic, seconded by Mr. Bieder and approved unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS

1. **“Resolved...to accept the minutes of the Bronx Community Board #10 meeting of May 18, 2023.”**

A motion to accept the May 18, 2023 Minutes was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Ms. Woods, 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:

*Paddy's on the Bay, 50 Pennyfield Ave, 10465, between Bevy & Alan Pls, License #1250871, which expires on 07/31/23.

*Portofino, 555 City Island Ave, 10464, between Cross & Bridge Sts, License #1140821, which expires on 06/30/2023.

*American Turner Club, 748 Clarence Ave, 10465, between Philip & Randall Aves, License #1003335, which expires on 06/30/23.

*Crosby Caribbean, 1762 Crosby Ave, 10461, between Westchester & Roberts Ave, License #1246173, which expires on 06/30/2023.

*Outback Restaurant, 270 Baychester Ave, 10475, between Bay Plaza & Mall Blvds, License #1284998, which expires on 08/31/2023.

*Sangria Café, 2085 Bartow Ave, 10475, between Coop City Blvd & Asch Loop, License #1299476, which expires on 08/31/2023.

*Coconut Palm Bar & Grill. 2407 Westchester Ave, 10461, between Roland St & Zerega Ave, License # 1166169, which expires on 08/31/23.

*Ohana, 500 City Island Ave, 10464, between Beach & Cross Sts, License #1166692, which expires on 07/31/2023.

*Illusions, 3221-3229 Westchester Ave, 10461, between Continental & St Paul Aves, License #1285921, which expires on 07/31/2023.

*Salsa Soul, 48 Westchester Sq, 10461, between Pontoon & Roberts Aves, License #1333776, which expires on 07/31/2023.

A motion to accept the resolution for renewal licenses was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Popovic and approved as follows: unanimous. **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 applying for new 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:

*Tequila Night Lounge, 2434 E Tremont Ave, 10461, between Lyvere & Seddon Sts, License #NEW.
(Originally Tequila & Mezcal)

Indoor Hours:	Sun Closed	Mon Closed	Tues 3PM-4AM	Wed 3PM-4AM	Thur 3PM-4AM	Fri 3PM-4AM	Sat 3PM-4AM
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MOP: D J, Recorded Music

Board member discussion: Due to a language barrier, Board Members assisted in translating concerns. Noise issues under previous management and violations for underage drinking and servicing alcohol after hours were discussed. The applicant stated that worked at the establishment in various capacities but never as manager. She will institute ID checking, no entry after 3:30 a.m. and will work with the 45th Precinct.

A motion to accept the Resolution for new licenses was made by Mr. Bieder, seconded by Mr. Smith, and approved as follows: (1) abstention, (6) against, (14) in favor. **The Resolution passed.**

4. **MUNICIPAL SERVICES – STREET ACTIVITY PERMITS**

“Resolved...at the recommendation of the Municipal Services Committee of Bronx Community Board #10 that the following street activity permit applications be forwarded to the full Board for approval:

Event ID: 717802 7th Annual Community Day

Date: Sunday, September 17, 2023

Time: 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Setup: 8:00 AM – 10:00 AM

Breakdown: 4:00 PM – 4:30 PM

Location: In front of 3031 Cross Bronx Expressway, between East Tremont and Dewey Avenues

Contact: Althea Esty

Event ID: 722257 Fun In The Sun/Outreach

Date: Saturday, August 19, 2023

Time: 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Setup: 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM

Breakdown: 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Location: Benson Street between St. Raymond and Maclay Avenues

Contact: Elden Vasquez

Event ID: 724501 Lyon Avenue Block Party

Date: Saturday, August 19, 2023

Time: 12:30 PM to 8:30 PM

Setup: 12:00 – 12:30 PM

Breakdown: 8:00 – 8:30 PM

Location: Lyon Avenue between Castle Hill Avenue and Glebe Avenue

Contact: Juana Enriquez

A motion to accept the Resolution for new licenses was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Accomando, and approved as follows: unanimous by all in attendance. **The Resolution passed.**

DISTRICT MANAGER’S REPORT: Mr. Cruz

- BSA Hearing, 500 Baychester Avenue: decision to be rendered in September
- Shuttle service at Ferry Point Park has resumed.
- 2023 Bronx Community Board member survey must be completed and returned
- Saturday June 17, 10-6, NY Botanical Garden Juneteenth Event
- Planet Fitness is offering free membership for the summer for ages 14-18
- Early voting begins on June 17 – June 25

COMMITTEE REPORTS

EXECUTIVE BOARD: Mr. Russo

The Executive Board met on June 12, 2023. Minutes are self-explanatory.

The Executive will explore outreach to smoke shops and the possibility of instituting stipulations.

HOUSING/ZONING COMMITTEE: Mr. Popovic

The Committee will meet on June 21, 2023. Topic will cover 155 Pilot Street.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: Mr. Accomando

The Committee met on June 7, 2023. Minutes are self-explanatory. All liquor licenses were voted on and are noted above. Pandemic drinks will return to delivery services. On June 22, 2023, at the Villa Barone Manor, 6 p.m. the Bronx DA will inform the community about BronxCAMS.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES COMMITTEE: Mr. Bieder

The Committee met on June 14, 2023. Minutes are self-explanatory. Ferry service returned and there is no plan for expansion to City Island. SWAB – Mr. Del-Debbio report to come.

PARKS/RECREATION COMMITTEE: Mr. Franklin

The Committee did not meet in June.

HEALTH/HUMAN SERVICES: Ms. Hunt

The Committee did not meet in June.

YOUTH & EDUCATION COMMITTEE: Ms. Torres

The Committee met on May 22, 2023. Ms. Torres went over the minutes, which are self-explanatory.

The Earl Monroe Charter School may seek an extension due to construction delays at the proposed location. Ms. Torres mentioned the vacancy rates of school buildings and would like to have more charter schools come to CB10.

ELECTED OFFICIALS:

Kenny Agosto, Bronx BP: BP Gibson is concerned with the excessive numbers of fires in the Borough and would like to have more fire safety trainings; infant mortality rate highest in NYS (62/62) and is working on a birthing center for the borough; interviewing for board members continues; working on a diabetes task force, Borough is 62/62 in NYS. Mr. Agosto which all a Happy Father's Day.

Robert Spencer, Bronx DA: footage helps ada with evidence event June 22 at Villa Barone Manor bxcams@bronxda.gov; Discussed crime victims services; October 7 5k run to end domestic violence; Questions about discovery and access to personal information.

Johana Guererro; Senator Fernandez: Family Health Fair has been rescheduled June 24 12 noon; office ribbon cutting at 11:30 3853 East Tremont Avenue.

Max Borrera, CM Riley: Mr. Borrera noted the following upcoming events - Music over Violence event on 6/19; Section 2 Fun Day; MTA hearing on 6/22-23, 6/26.

Tamara Cardona; CM Velazquez: street renaming request for Salvatore Toscani 6/28/2023 on 197th Street; WSBID Fair at the Square on Saturday, 6/17; Ferry Point Park event on salsa and free style dancing on 6/17.

Rebecca Nieves, CM Farias: Ms. Nieves noted that a fire safety bill was passed last year in the Council, Local Law 77 of 2022; Contact the office for upcoming events.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

A Motion to adjourn the June 15, 2023 meeting was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Duffy.

This is to certify that the foregoing minutes reflect the information that was discussed at the full Board meeting of June 15, 2023.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Nancy Casario". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Secretary

Dated: June 23, 2023

