

COMMUNITY PLANNING BOARD #11, THE BRONX BRONX MUNICIPAL HOSPITAL CENTER NURSES RESIDENCE—ROOM 11N22 PELHAM PARKWAY SOUTH & EASTCHESTER ROAD **BRONX, NEW YORK 10461** (212) 892-6262

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THOMAS J. BROWN. DISTRICT MANAGER

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MINUTES OF MEETING HELD NOVEMBER 21, 1985 AT THE KNIGHTS OF

COLUMBUS - MARY QUEEN OF PEACE LODGE

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 P.M. by Mr. Lee Mager, Chairman.

I. Gallery Session

a. Mr. Pat Farenga - President, Allerton Avenue Merchants Association

Mr. Farenga spoke about the triangle piece of property located at Allerton Avenue and Boston Road opposite White Castle. He stated that rats have been seen there and that there is stagnant water lying there. Mr. Farenga said that a letter is going to the Board of Standards and Appeals, and he asked for the Board's help in getting money to upgrade the lot. Mr. Farenga stated that the Allerton Avenue Merchants Association would like to see this area dedicated to the Allerton family with a sign and benches.

Mr. Fredric Pocci said that there are plans to make this area into a garden through the Operation Green Thumb. He stated that Operation Green Thumb would lend shovels, and give grass seed and shrubs for the area.

Chairman Mager suggested that Mr. Farenga contact Mr. Pocci at the Board office. Mr. Frank Muccioli suggested that Mr. Farenga contact Mr. Sal Castorina of the Allerton Avenue Tenants Association.

Chairman Mager named Mr. Lewis Goldstein as Chairperson of the Ad Hoc Committee on this site.

b. Mrs. Andi Cioffi - P.S. 105 Parents Association

Mrs. Cioffi stated that she was here tonight on behalf of the parents and children of P.S. 105 and the Pelham Parkway Block Association. Mrs. Cioffi stated that she had learned that the Adjudication Bureau of the Department of Motor Vehicles is going to be located on White Plains Road and Brady Avenue. She stated that the lease is being negotiated. Mrs. Cioffi stated that the Community Board and the organizations were sent

letters stating that this site was no longer being considered due to the community's opposition. Mrs.Cioffi asked the Board to hold the Office of General Services and the Department of Motor Vehicles to its commitment not to place the Adjudication Bureau on White Plains. Mrs.Cioffo asked that a State Public Hearing be held.

c. Mrs. Maude Hayman - Van Nest Library

Mrs. Hayman spoke about the Centers for Reading and Writing that provide free tutoring for English-speaking adults over the age of 16 who read below the 8th grade level. Mrs. Hayman stated that these programs are located in the Fordham Library Center, Grand Concourse Library, Kingsbridge Library, Mott Haven Library and the Wakefield Library. Mrs. Hayman listed the various programs available and their locations.

II. Minutes

A Motion was made by Mrs. Blanche Rifkin, seconded by Mr. Joseph Reda and passed unanimously, that the Minutes be accepted as received.

III. District Manager's Report - Mr. Thomas J. Brown, District Manager

Chairman Mager reported that Mr. Brown has not been released from the hospital as yet.

IV. Chairman's Report - Mr. Lee Mager, Chairman

Adjudication Bureau

Chairman Mager stated that he had received a telephone call from Mrs. Andi Cioffi today concerning the Adjudication Bureau going in on White Plains Road. He stated that he had instructed Mrs. Susan Nolan to make calls and get all the information she could on this. Chairman Mager stated that those contacted were Mr. James Gallagher, Director of Real Property, Planning and Utilization, and Mr. Timothy J. Leonard, Chief of Bureau of Leases. He stated that he had tried unsuccessfully to reach Commissioner Egan of the Department of General Services. Chairman Mager had received a letter from Commissioner Egan in July, 1984, which indicated that 2078 White Plains Road would no longer be considered as a viable location site. He stated that the Board was opposed to it at that time, and the Board is still opposed to it.

Ben Abrams Playground

Chairman Mager reported that he had received a personal phone call from Attorney General Robert Abrams thanking the Board for its support in naming the playground at P.S. 105 for his father, Ben Abrams. Chairman Mager stated that the Attorney General had extended his personal invitation on behalf of himself and his family to the members of the Board to come down to City Hall on Monday at 10 A.M. in the Blue Room, to witness the signing of the bill which would put this into effect.

A Motion was made by Mr. Dominic Castore, seconded by Mr. William Liblick and passed unanimously, that Community Board #11 send a letter to all the elected officials and Commissioner Egan reiterating its opposition to the Adjudication Bureau being at 2078 White Plains Road. This was amended by Mr. Castore to also include that the Board be kept abreast of what is going on in the community, on an on-going basis.

V. Borough President's Report - Mrs. Annette Marchitello

Mrs. Marchitello reported that the Board of Estimate had approved an application for the disposition of 20 City-owned parcels in Community Board #11. (See Attached List)

The Board of Estimate had approved the release of the City's interest in commercial property located at 510 Van Nest Avenue.

The Board of Estimate had approved a contract between the Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Alcoholism Services, and Albert Einstein College of Medicine, to an amendment and extension of an existing contract. The original adjusted net amount is \$1,188,000. The amended adjusted net amount is \$1,241,000 for the provision of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities Services.

The Board of Estimate approved a contract between the Department of Employment and private industry for the implementation and operation of various job training programs, totaling \$1,932,473, from 10/1/85 to 6/30/86.

District Manager's Report (continued) - Mr. Dominic Castore

Mr. Castore reported that he had represented the District Manager, Mr. Tom Brown, at a meeting with Police on the Community Patrol Officer Program (C.P.O.P.). He stated that his report had been sent to the Board members, along with the minutes of last month's meeting. Mr. Castore explained the Program in detail.

A Motion was made by Mr. Joseph Reda, seconded by Mr. Steven Zarkin and passed unanimously, that Community Board #11 send a letter to Commissioner McCabe that the Board is in favor of the program, and asking that the ten officers now in the Community Patrol Officer Program be replaced.

VI. Committee Reports

A. Community Development and Budget Priorities - Mr. Robert Black, Chairperson

Budget Priorities for Fiscal Year 1987 is attached.

B. Economic Development - Mrs. Brenda Petri, Chairperson

Mrs. Petri stated that her Committee had met tonight. She said that present were Mr. Frank Encarcion of the Public Development Corporation, Mr. Bernie Carr of Neighborhood Initiatives Development Corporation, Mr. Ronnie Goodman of the Borough President's Office, and Mr. Pat Farenga, President of the Allerton Avenue Merchants Association. She stated that they discussed the area from Bronx Park East to Williamsbridge Road along Allerton Avenue. Mrs. Petri stated there was enough money from Public Development Corporation for lights and thermoplastic crosswalks along Allerton Avenue.

C. Membership Committee

A Motion was made and seconded that the Board go into Executive Session.

The Board went into Executive Session at 8:50 P.M. and returned at 9:20 P.M.

A Motion was made by Mr. Ernest Odierna, seconded by Mr. William Liblick and carried with 16 for, 4 against and 3 abstentions, that Community Board #11 accept the resignation and removal of Mr. Salvatore Napolitano and Mr. Thomas Denaro from the Board and that the Borough President be so informed.

D. Education and Culture - Mrs. Ruth Burko, Chairperson

Report attached.

E. Public Safety - Mr. Joseph Reda and Mr. Abraham Pereira, Co-Chairpersons

Mr. Reda reported that the next 49th Precinct Council meeting would be on December 10th.

He spoke about the padlock law, and stated that two places were closed because of this good law. One was 2030 White Plains Road, closed for prostitution, and the other was 2042 White Plains Road, closed for gambling.

Mr. Reda spoke about the Community Patrol Officer Program. He stated that each officer would cover 15 square blocks. Mr. Reda stated that Police Officer James Strafella is in charge.

F. Highways, Traffic and Transportation - Mr. Ernest Odierna, Chairperson

Mr. Odierna reported that his Committee had met on Monday. He stated that present at the meeting were Mr. Mel Hirsch and Mr. Anthony Funigiello. Mr. Odierna stated that they had discussed the Andrews and Clark report on the work to be done in Astor Gardens.

Mr. Odierna reported that the M.T.A. is holding a Public Hearing on December 12th at One Police Plaza on proposed fare increases.

Mr. Odierna reported that a contract has been let for reconstruction of Pelham Parkway North Service Road from Eastchester Road to Stillwell Avenue.

Mr. Odierna reported that he had attended the meetings on the Express Bus Study and that the draft is in the office. He stated that written confirmation must be received by December 15th. Mr. Odierna stated that the report is available in the office if anyone wishes to see it. He stated that he would have a written report for the next meeting.

Mrs. Susan Nolan reported that the bus stop is being moved from the east side of White Plains Road between Pelham Parkway westbound and the Pelham Parkway North Service Road to the east side of Boston Road between Pelham Parkway westbound lane and Pelham Parkway North Service Road.

G. Health and Social Services - Mr. William Liblick, Chairperson

Mrs. Blanche Rifkin reported that Van Etten Hospital now has an A.I.D.S. Team Office which is being run by Doctor Carol Harris. Anyone having any questions should call 430-8218/19.

Mrs. Rifkin reported that pediatric security has been increased in Jacobi Hospital. She also reported that a new nursing contract has been signed, and that they are now recruiting for new nurses.

Mrs. Rifkin reported that she had gone on a tour of Van Etten Hospital's Psychiatric Wing. She stated that it is a 25 in-patient and 30 out-patient program.

Mr. Lewis Goldstein reported that he had attended a meeting at the Wallace Avenue Group Home last night, along with Mr. Henry Yuspeh and Police Officer Richard DiVico.

H. Sanitation and Environmental Protection - Mr. Lewis Goldstein, Chairperson

Mr. Goldstein reported that his Committee had met on Monday. He stated that present were Mrs. Stella Fernandez, Mrs. Susan Nolan and Ms. Barbara Williams from Sanitation. Report attached.

I. Youth Committee - Mr. Raymond Locascio, Chairperson

Mrs. Linda Loeb, Youth Coordinator, reported that the Committee had met on November 13th to discuss the recommendations for After School Programs for Fiscal Year 1987. Report attached. A Motion was made by Mr. John Cifichiello, seconded by Mr. Henry Yuspeh and passed unanimously, that Community Planning Board #11 recommend to the New York City Youth Bureau and to Community School Board #11 that the three After School Programs, recommended by the Youth Committee for funding in Fiscal Year 1987, be funded as recommended.

A Motion was made by Mr. Henry Yuspeh, seconded by Mr. Dominic Castore and passed unanimously, that Community Planning Board #11 accept the Youth Committee's recommendations regarding the allocation of additional A.S.P. category funds, should such funds become available.

VII. New Business

A Motion was made by Mr. Frank Muccioli, seconded by Mr. Lewis Goldstein and passed unanimously, that Community Board #11 send a letter to the proper authorities on the Allerton Strip.

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:48 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Petri, Secretary

ATTENDANCE AT MEETING OF NOVEMBER 21, 1985

| PRESENT | | | |
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| Dominick Castore | (0) | Joseph Milone | (0) |
| John Cifichiello | (0) | Frank Muccioli | (2) |
| Nicholas Cremonese | (1) | Ernest Odierna | (2) |
| Gloria DiGianni | (2) | Brenda Petri | (0) |
| Arnold Eisen | (1) | Fredric Pocci | (0) |
| Norman Engel | (2) | Michael Prisco | (2) |
| Anthony Funigiello | (1) | Joseph Reda | (1) |
| Kenneth Gelnick | (1) | William Ricevuto | (2) |
| Irene Gertel | (0) | Blanche Comras Rifkin | (0) |
| Eli Goldsmith | (2) | Madeline Saltaformaggio | (0) |
| Lewis Goldstein | (1) | Henry Yuspeh | (1) |
| William Liblick | (1) | Steve Zarkin | (1) |
| Lee Mager | (1) | | |
| ABSENT | | | |
| Renee Biller | (3) | Marross or Tonninton | (0) |
| Robert Black | (1) | Murray Lewinter Celia Lewis | (3) |
| Elizabeth Brown | (2) | | (3) |
| Ruth Burko | (2) | Raymond Locascio Steve Lovitch | (2) |
| Anthony Del Gaudio | (1) | Leslie McHenry | (3) |
| Stella Fernandez | (3) | Abraham Pereira | (3) |
| Rabbi Israel Greenberg | (3) | Charles Re | (3) |
| Lillian Holtzman | (2) | Anthony Rizzo | (3) |
| Abraham Kleinman | (3) | Alfred Tartaglia | (2) |
| Charles Lefkowitz | (3) | Vincent Zarcone | (3) |
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EX OFFICIO BOARD MEMBERS

Hilda Yuspeh - for Councilman Michael DeMarco

OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS

Joseph Glazer - for Assemblyman Eliot Engel

STAFF, BOROUGH PRESIDENT AND AGENCY OFFICIALS AND GUESTS Annette Marchitelle - Borough President Simon's Office John Lavin - Bronx City Planning P.O. Richard DiVico - 49th Precinct Community Affairs Linda Loeb - Community Planning Board #11 Youth Coordinator Harriet Lasky - Community Planning Board #11 Secretary Susan Nolan - Community Planning Board #11 Secretary Steno Melvin Hirsch

NOTE: Numbers in parentheses denote absences since September 19, 1985