



COMMUNITY PLANNING BOARD #11, THE BRONX
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MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MARCH 20, 1986 AT THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

COMMITTEES

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT &
BUDGET PRIORITIES

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

EDUCATION & CULTURE

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

HIGHWAYS, TRAFFIC &
TRANSPORTATION

HOUSING

LAND USE

PARKS & PLAYGROUNDS

PUBLIC SAFETY

SANITATION & ENVIRONMENTAL
PROTECTION

YOUTH

MARY, QUEEN OF PEACE LODGE

The meeting was called to order at 8:11 P.M. by Mr. Dominic Castore,
First Vice Chairman.

I. Gallery Session

A. Camille Molinari

Miss Molinari stated that she is the Artistic Director of the Happy
Medium, Inc., an all-children's theater group. They are based at the New
York Institute for the Education of the Blind at 999 Pelham Parkway North.
They do productions for children, 7 and older. She stated that they hold
auditions for children 7 - 17, and that the children are involved in all
aspects of the theater. They are now doing "Pinocchio" at their home base,
and they also travel to nursing homes, schools and handicapped children's
centers. The Group is always looking for new sites to perform at. The
Happy Medium also sponsors puppet shows for younger children. She stated
that their last performance will be "Little Red Riding Hood", to be held
on April 13th.

B. Mrs. Kathy Trezzi - P.A. President of P.S. 97, 1375 Mace Avenue
between Fish and Kingsland Avenues.

Mrs. Trezzi stated that she was here to discuss a problem that they are
having with speeding cars in front of the school. Mrs. Trezzi said that
the Police told her that a school zone needs to be established, and that
once it is, they could patrol the area around the school.

Mrs. Trezzi also stated that they are having a problem with Sanitation.
They have an early pickup on Friday morning which means that the garbage
from breakfast and lunch sits outside until the next pickup on Tuesday.
She asked for a late Friday or early Saturday morning pickup.

District Manager reported that there was a representative here tonight
from the Comptroller's Office, and that he hoped that when the Mayor's
Expense Budget is considered for Fiscal Year 1987, that monies be allocated
for a third pickup for schools.

II. Minutes

Action on Minutes

On a Motion by Mrs. Blanche Comras Rifkin, seconded by
Mr. William Liblick and carried unanimously, it was

VOTED: That the Minutes of February 20, 1986, be
approved as received.

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

A. Liquor License Renewals

The Executive Committee had approved the renewal of the following liquor licenses:

1. Pelham Mall Deli, Inc. - 2144 White Plains Road, between Lydig Avenue and Pelham Parkway
2. Tik Tok Lounge - 1511 Wilkinson Avenue, between Stillwell Avenue and Eastchester Road
3. Il Boschetto Italian Restaurant, Inc. - 1660 East Gun Hill Road

District Manager stated that there have been no complaints on any of these sites.

B. Nominating Committee

Vice Chairman Dominic Castore reported that the Nominating Committee will consist of:

- Mr. Steve Lovitch, Chairman
- Mr. Steve Zarkin
- Mr. Abraham Kleinman
- Mr. Michael Prisco
- Mr. Alfred Tartaglia

IV. District Manager's Report - Mr. Thomas Brown, District Manager

District Manager reported that the Board had received a request for a Street Activity Permit on Bronxwood Avenue, between Mace and Waring Avenues, from June 19 - June 29. The purpose of the Street Closing is for a Street Fair from 7 - 11:30 P.M.

On a Motion by Mr. Henry Yuspeh, seconded by Mrs. Blanche Comras Rifkin and carried unanimously, it was

VOTED: That Community Board #11 approve the request for a Closing as requested by St. Lucy's Church.

Mr. Anthony DelGaudio stated that 90% of the Fair will take place in the school cafeteria and the school yard.

V. Committee Reports

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

Mr. Black reported that there is going to be a budget consultation for Community Board #11 on Thursday, September 4th. He stated that the new budget must be in by October 31. Mr. Black said that all Chairpersons should get their requests to him as soon as possible.

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

Mrs. Burko reported that she had attended an open house from the New York Public Library Center for Reading and Writing. It was held at the branch on 173rd Street and the Concourse. The New York Public Library Center for Reading and Writing provides free tutoring for English speaking adults over the age of 16 who read below the 8th grade. Services are available at 7 centers in Manhattan, the Bronx and Staten Island. There are one-to-one small tutoring sessions for adults who are new readers. Micro computers help children to learn to read and write, and help non-English speaking adults.

Mrs. Burko reported that she had spoken with Ms. Sarah Hill, of the Fordham Branch Library, who told her that they have an outreach program, and had asked her for help in

getting volunteers who wished to tutor individuals. Mrs. Burko asked those interested to contact her.

Morris Park Mini Library

Mrs. Burko spoke about a letter that the Board had sent to Commissioner Gliedman advising him of the Board's desire to have the site of the Morris Park Mini Library at the site of the former P.S. 34 at Amethyst and Victor Streets.

Mrs. Burko reported that the Pelham Parkway Citizens Council had requested that the name of the Van Nest Branch Library be changed to Pelham Parkway.

On a Motion by Mr. Henry Yuspeh, seconded by Mr. Michael Fanelli and carried with one abstention, it was

VOTED: That Community Board #11 take action on the request by the Pelham Parkway Citizens Council to change the name of the Van Nest Branch Library to the Pelham Parkway Library in order to better identify it.

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

Mr. Liblick reported on the opening of the Eishel Shelter Advisory Board. He stated that an open house had been held.

Mrs. Blanche Comras Rifkin reported that she had attended a meeting on March 5th of the Bronx Municipal Hospital Center's Advisory Board. She stated that at the meeting she met the new Director, Mr. Jeffrey Menkes, who comes from Elmhurst Hospital. Also present were two members of his staff also from Elmhurst, Mr. Harold Levine (Deputy Executive Director) and Ms. S.J. Avery (Associate Executive Director for Medical Staff Affiliations and Special Projects). Mrs. Rifkin stated that one of Mr. Menkes' goals was prenatal care for pregnant women in the Bronx. He stated that he wants to educate the pregnant women, especially those who are in a high risk group.

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

On a request to make Lydig Avenue one way westbound, the Board had discussed this on several occasions. Lydig Avenue is two ways at Matthews Avenue, and they may make it one way at Muliner Avenue.

On a Motion by Mr. Ernest Odierna, seconded by Mr. Joseph Reda and carried with one abstention, it was

VOTED: That Community Board #11 send a letter to the Department of Traffic approving the concept of the change and insisting on plans to be finalized, that they not go beyond Williamsbridge Road, and that they not go ahead until the Board gives final approval.

E. Land Use - Mr. Kenneth Gelnick, Chairperson

District Manager reported on an application for an amendment to an existing Variance for a gasoline station at Eastchester Road and Williamsbridge Road to convert to a self-service station. The Board has to decide whether or not it wants to hold a Public Hearing on this.

On a Motion by Mrs. Blanche Comras Rifkin, seconded by Mrs. Ruth Burko and carried with 18 in favor, it was

VOTED: That Community Board #11 not hold a Public Hearing on the request to convert to a self-service station (AMOCO Station 1500 Williamsbridge Road).

F. Public Saftety - Mr. Abraham Pereira, Mr. Joseph Reda, Co-Chairpersons

Mr. Reda reported that the next 49th Precinct Council meeting will be held in the Knights of Columbus on April 1st at 8:00 P.M. The guest speaker will be Mr. J.J. Kennedy of the National Auto Theft Bureau. He also reported that plaques will be given to P.O. James Strafella and P.O. Richard DiVicco for starting the 49th Precinct Community Council.

Mr. Reda gave the crime statistics for January 1985 versus January 1986:

25% increase in robberies, 17% increase in grand larceny auto and 48% increase in burglary. February 1985 versus February 1986:

Robberies are down 1% grand larceny auto is down 3% and burglary for February 1986 versus February 1986 remains the same.

District Manager reported on Skate Key. He stated that an inspection was made on March 14th at 11 P.M. by the Fire Department ant that three violations were found:

1. Required interior alarms not present
2. No Sprinkler system for the occupancy being used (Cabaret-dancing)
3. Violation of Certificate of Occupancy (Building is a Class #14 to be used as a roller skating rink).

At the time of the inspection the building was being used strictly for dancing and the owner was ordered to stop use as a cabaret and surveliance is underway.

G. Sanitation and Environmental Protection - Mr. Arnold Eisen, Chairperson

Mr. Eisen has been named Chairperson of the Sanitation and Environmental Protection Committee.

District Manager reported that the newsstand in front of the Capital Restaurant at White Plains Road and Pelham Parkway South has been removed. It was discovered that there was an electrical cable located there. The cables were disconnected, and the Department of Highways will remove them and repair the sidewalk.

H. Youth/Youth Services - Mr. Raymond Locascio, Chairperson

Mr. Locascio apologized for being late this evening, he had just become a grandfather. Mr. Locascio stated that the Minutes of the February Youth Committee meeting had been distributed at the beginning of the meeting.

Mr. Locascio atated that one of the items discussed at the meeting was the New York Grantmakers Request for Proposals. He asked the Board to authorize the Youth Committee to make all the decisions with respect to the proposal submission process for the New York Grantmakers Summer Program for Youth.

On a Motion by Mr. William Liblick, seconded by Mr. Henry Yuspeh and carried unanimously, it was

VOTED: That Community Board #11 give the Youth Committee the authority to make all decisions with respect to the proposal submission process for the New York Grantmakers Summer Program for Youth.

Mrs. Linda Loeb reported that all Board members were sent flyers about the upcoming Big Apple Circus performance at Van Cortlandt Park. She stated that plans are being made for a Bronx night, and that Community Board members should be receiving invitations.

Mrs. Loeb reported on a letter that was received from the Youth Bureau during the past month asking that the \$3,000 that was recommended by the Board for B.O.L.D. (Bronx Organization for Learning Disabled) as part of its fiscal year 1987 funding recommendations be brought back to the Board as a balance. She stated that the Board could allocate it to another group. Because of the time frame imposed by the Youth Bureau the Executive Committee was polled on this matter, and a majority agreed that it should go to the Bronx Council on the Arts. Mrs. Loeb stated that a letter to this effect was sent to the Youth Bureau.

Mrs. Loeb reported that the application period is now in process for the Summer Youth Employment Program and that applications are being given out and taken in from 3 :00 P.M. to 5:30 P.M. Monday - Friday in the lobby of the Nurses Residence. Mrs. Loeb stated that the deadline for submission of applications is March 28th, but that this may be extended.

Mrs. Loeb stated that Community Board #11 along with all the other Community Boards in the Bronx were invited to participate in the CY BLOCK Youth Clean Up Contest. Mrs. Loeb stated that ten youths from Community Board #11 will participate in a clean up of an area of the community for nine weeks. She stated that groups participating will be judged and that the winning group will win a trip to Disneyworld in Florida. Mrs. Loeb stated that an application package was received, and that it will be completed shortly in order that the Board can participate. She stated that a twenty block area will be cleaned.

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

Mrs. Marchitello reported that the Board of Estimate had approved a contract between the New York City Department of Youth Bureau and Bronx House, Inc. for the Amendment to an existing contract. The amendment is adding \$7,500 to the original contract of \$3,000 which was approved by Corporation Counsel on August 12, 1985.

Mrs. Marchitello reported that the Board of Estimate had approved an amendment to a contract between the Department for the Aging and R.A.I.N. to increase the budget by \$91,199 so that the total will not exceed \$342,160. For the period July 1, 1985 to June 30, 1986.

Mrs. Marchitello reported that the Board of Estimate had approved the sale at public auction of two parcels in Community Board #11:

1. Block No. 4563, Lot 34 - south side of Adee Avenue, 25 feet east of Throop Avenue, upset price \$5,000.

2. Block No. 4580, Lot 2 - North/west corner of Yates Avenue and Adee Avenue, upset price \$4,000.

Mrs. Marchitello stated that she had brought copies of the Bronx Business Bulletin which is available to anyone who wants it along with the Restaurant Guide. If more are needed let her know and they will be sent.

Mrs. Marchitello reported that the Department of Consumer Affairs has recently revitalized the Division of Education and Outreach. She stated that a seminar will be held especially for Community Board members on April 15th, and that flyers were available for anyone interested in attending.

VII. Old Business

Mr. Muccioli spoke about Key Food which is located on Boston Post Road and Matthews Avenue. The Certificate of Occupancy requires a fence near its loading zone facing Matthews Avenue and that as of today it has not been put up. Mr. Muccioli stated that the people on Matthews Avenue are complaining that after Key Food closes youth are in lot and creating a nuisance.

Mr. Locascio reported that Key Food is working on it, and that they are waiting for the permit to build the wall. He stated that this will be forthcoming very soon, and that the wall will be erected then.

Dyre Avenue Subway Station

Mr. Muccioli stated that they have learned that the property along the Dyre Avenue station (sidewalk) is the responsibility of the Department of Highways.

Mr. Muccioli asked Mrs. Marchitello to direct the Borough President to bring this item up at the Borough Cabinet. He stated that people are walking in the streets.

Mr. Ricevuto stated that there are no foot patrols on Williamsbridge Road.

Mr. Castore asked P.O. Micelli to look into this and have the patrolman assigned to that area get in touch with Mr. Ricevuto.

VIII. New Business

Mr. Norman Engel reported that the Department of Traffic or the Department of Transportation had installed a Stop sign just north of the Mobile service station on Boston Road. There is a one-way sign there that directs you right into the lines of the gas station not on the corner of the street. The Stop sign is not on the intersection but on the gas station's premises.

Mr. Engel reported that a Stop sign was placed in front of C Town on White Plains Road. He stated that north bound cars ignore it.

Mr. Muccioli asked about the Hess gas station on Boston Road between Arnow Avenue and Williamsbridge Road. They closed down and now it is a vacant lot with now fence. Mr. Muccioli stated that abandoned cars are left there. He asked that the Board find out what Hess plans to do with this site, and if there are no plans that they be required to fence it.

Good and Welfare

Mr. Yuspeh reported that on April 20th the Pelham Parkway Citizens Council will celebrate its 25th Anniversary. A breakfast will be held at Bronx House at 9:30 A.M. and there will be entertainment. Mr. Yuspeh stated that the cost is \$5.

On a Motion by Mr. Joseph Reda, seconded and carried unanimously,
it was

VOTED: To adjourn the meeting at 9:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Petri
Brenda Petri, Secretary

ATTENDANCE AT MEETING OF MARCH 20, 1986

- RESENT

Renee Biller	(5)	Joseph Milone	(1)
Robert Black	(4)	Frank Muccioli	(3)
Ruth Burko	(3)	Ernest Odierna	(2)
Dominic Castore	(0)	Brenda Petri	(0)
John Cifichiello	(0)	Michael Prisco	(4)
Anthony DelGaudio	(1)	Joseph Reda	(2)
Norman Engel	(3)	William Ricevuto	(3)
Michael Fanelli	(0)	Blanche Rifkin	(1)
Irene Gertel	(5)	Madeline Saltaformaggio	(0)
Lewis Goldstein	(3)	Alfred Tartaglia	(3)
William Liblick	(1)	Henry Yuspeh	(1)
Raymond Locascio	(3)	Steve Zarkin	(3)

ABSENT

Nicholas Cremonese	(3)	Charles Lefkowitz	(6)
Gloria DiGianni	(6)	Murray Lewinter	(6)
Arnold Eisen	(3)	Celia Lewis	(5)
Emilian Eisdorfer	(2)	Steve Lovitch	(5)
Stella Fernandez	(6)	Lee Mager	(3)
Anthony Funigiello	(4)	Leslie McHenry	(6)
Kenneth Gelnick	(5)	Jay Ira Nadler	(1)
Eli Goldsmith	(3)	Abraham Pereira	(7)
Rabbi Israel Greenberg	(6)	Fredric Pocci	(2)
Lillian Holtzman	(5)	Anthony Rizzo	(4)
Abraham Kleinman	(5)	Vincent Zarkin	(5)

EX OFFICIO BOARD MEMBERS

Hilda Yuspeh - for Councilman Michael DeMarco

OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS

Eric Barr - for Comptroller Harrison Goldin

STAFF, BOROUGH PRESIDENT, AND AGENCY OFFICIALS

Annette Marchitello - Borough President Stanley Simon's Office
Thomas J. Brown, District Manager - Community Planning Board #11
Harriet Lasky, Secretary - Community Planning Board #11
Linda Loeb, Youth Coordinator - Community Planning Board #11
John Lavin - Bronx Office of City Planning
P.O. William Miceli - 49th Police Precinct

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