

COMMUNITY PLANNING _OARD #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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MINUTES OF MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 22, 1988 IN THE MARY, QUEEN OF PEACE HALL OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS.

The meeting was called to order at 8:10 P.M., by Dom Castore, Chairman.

Dom announced that Abe Pereira, a long time member of the Board had passed away in July. He asked everyone to stand for a moment of silence in his memory.

I. Gallery Session

a. Mel Hirsch - HRA advisory Board 11 & 12

Mr. Hirsch announced that HRA is discontinuing its District Board Office at 4101 White Plains Road. He stated that the OFS Office is moving to 1209 Colgate Avenue (between Bronx River Avenue and Westchester Avenues). Mel stated that HRA has been notified that this office is very inconvenient for people in Board #11. He discussed the method of transportation needed to get there. Mel stated that there will be no reduction in staff at HRA. He further stated that the Office of Family Services is supposed to be part of Family and Children's Services which is supposed to include Special Services for Children, which is responsible for prevention services and foster care.

Mel stated that he was told that Board #12 has asked that HRA continue to operate at 4101 White Plains Road. He asked that Community Board #11 also request that the office not move.

b. Ralph Lanzilli - Businessman on Eastchester and Williamsbridge Roads

Mr. Lanzilli requested the Board's help in having a portion of Eastchester Road between Jarret Place and Williamsbridge Road renamed Frank S. Lanzilli Place after his father.

c. Dorothy Schwartz - Bronx Park East Tenants Association

Ms. Schwartz spoke about the problems subway riders have been having with the subway station on the north side of Pelham Parkway. She stated that the gate has been closed at night or in the mornings and no notices are posted. She said that riders have to climb the stairs before they learn the gates are closed, and then go over to the south side to get on or off the station. She said that this has been going on for most of the summer. Ms. Schwartz asked what the Board could do to help.

Dom spoke and said that the Board is trying to get the station open or at least have notices posted when it is not. Dom stated that the station was brought up at a meeting. He stated that the station is in for renovation work. Dom told Ms. Schwartz to keep in touch with Tom Brown or Tom Lucania at the Board office.

Eli Goldsmith spoke. He stated that Councilman Crispino is involved in this.

d. Sarah Lieberman - 2141 Holland Avenue

Ms. Lieberman spoke about the rash of burglaries at 2141 Holland Avenue. She stated that the residents are afraid to report on anyone.

Annette Marchitello of the Borough President's Office asked anyone who is afraid to call the Police themselves to call her office and the office will report it to the Police without using anyone's name.

Helen Frank stated that she had spoken with the Borough President at the concert about getting more Police.

e. Norman Engel

Norman spoke about the Mithcell Lama Program in the State of New York. He stated that the Mitchell Lama Program certifies that a landlord may, after owning a building for 20 years buy out his mortgage from the state or City. Norman stated that once the landlord does this it becomes a private building and he can convert it to a coop or condo. Norman stated that many of the people living in these Michell Lama houses have been there for more than 20 years. He stated that if they do not choose to buy their apartment they become tenants and as such are subject to large rent increases. Norman stated that if something is not done we will have more homeless people. He stated that the Assembly has passed a bill but the Senate has not. Norman said that we have until the end of September.

f. Mary Jo Sanjesland - Westchester Square Merchants and Businessmen

Ms. Sanjesland stated that she represented the merchants of Westchester Square. She stated that the increases in rents are forcing merchants out. She spoke about hiring someone for arbitration between the merchants and the landlords.

g. Ann Johnson - Homeowner Yates and Pearsall Avenues

Ms. Johnson spoke about a problem she is having with carpenter ants. She stated that several trees in the area have had to be removed because of the ants. Ms. Johnson stated that the ants are invading people's homes. She stated that she had called Forestry and spoken with Rick (Zeidler) who told her that they need approval to spray the trees. Ms. Johnson gave Dom a petition from the homeowners.

John Cifichiello explained that what Forestry usually does is post No Parking signs because the chemicals can cause problems to the cars paint. He stated that they will come to spray at 6:00 A.M. covering any cars that are not moved. He stated that they do not like to do this as the car owners complain about what the spray does to their cars.

Ms. Johnson stated that she has spoken with her neighbors and they see no problem with not parking where the trees are to be sprayed the night before the spraying.

II. Minutes

A Motion was made by Bob Black, Second by Fred Pocci - That the Minutes be accepted as received.

Unanimously accepted.

III. Chairman's Report - Dom Castore

Dom reported that he had met with Assistant Chief John Holmes of Bronx Borough Command. He stated that Chief Holmes introduced himself to all the Community Board Chairmen and District Managers.

Dom reported that about a week ago he had gone on a walking tour of Allerton Avenue with Mayor Koch; District Manager Tom Brown; Assistant District Manager Tom Lucania; and Councilman Jerry Crispino. He stated that the Mayor wanted to meet with the merchants and the senior citizens. Dom stated that the Mayor arrived by helicopter and landed at Christopher Columbus High School. Dom stated that the Mayor walked and talked with the Allerton Avenue merchants who told him about the high rents.

Dom read from a letter inviting the Board and community organizations to the Columbus Day Parade on October 9th. He stated that it will begin at 12 Noon from Morris Park Avenue and White Plains Road and end at Lydig Avenue and Williamsbridge Road.

Bob Black suggested that the Board members walk with the Board's banner.

IV. <u>Treasurer's Report</u> - Anthony DelGaudio

Tony reported that the Treasurer's Report had been sent out with

the Board Minutes.

V. <u>Borough President's Report</u> - Annette Marchitello

Annette reported that on behalf of the Borough President she wished everyone of the Jewish faith good wishes for a Happy Healthy New Year.

She asked anyone having problems and not wanting to report it to the Police directly to call the Borough President's office at 590-3554. She stated that anyone with a drug problem could call 590-3992.

VI. <u>District Manager's Report</u> - Tom Brown

Tom reported that the District Service Cabinet Minutes for the month of June had been sent out. He stated that the next meeting would be on Wednesday, September 28th.

Tom reported that he had spent the summer meeting with the various agencies on their budget requests. He stated that several committee members had attended these meetings.

Tom thanked Tom Lucania for handling the Borough Budget Consultations as he had been detained in Cleveland.

Tom thanked the Board members who manned the Board's table at the Salute to Pelham Parkway on Sunday. They were Ray Locascio, Bob Black, Emil Eisdorfer, Helen Frank, John Cifichiello and Assistant District Manager Tom Lucania. He stated that material was available at the Board's table.

Tom reported that he had attended the Mayor's walk.

Tom reported that there will be a Public Hearing on October 5th in the Nurses Residence on the Fiscal Year 1990 budget.

Tom stated that Budget Priorities Committee would meet on October 13th to set the Board's budget priorities which will be voted on at the October Board meeting. He stated that the Budget priorities must be sent to the Office of Management and Budget by the end of October.

Tom reported that he had heard that it was reported on the radio last Monday that a man was arrested with a magnum and a small amount of ammunition at 660 Thwaites Place. Tom stated that the man was shooting a B.B. gun at birds.

VII. Committee Reports

A. <u>Economic Development</u> - Emil Eisdorfer

Emil read a report on tenant - landlord relationships. (Report attached)

Bob Black spoke about the need to hire an arbitration specialist to help the merchants.

A Motion was made by Emil Eisdorfer, Second by Leslie McHenry and Bob Black - That Community Board #11 support this proposal for an Arbitration Program within Community Board #11 and urge all our public officials to also support it.

Passed.

Liquor licenses

1. 2055-57 Williamsbridge Road - Extra Innings Sports Bar - request for a new license for on-premises consumption

A Motion was made by Emil Eisdorfer, Second by Bill Ricevuto - That Community Board #11 hold a Public Hearing on this request for a liquor license.

Passed.

2. 2212 White Plains Road

A Motion was made by Norman Engel, Second by Emil Eisdorfer - That Community Board #11 hold a Public Hearing on his request for a liquor license.

Passed.

3. 2040 Eastchester Road, d.b.a., Sully Cafe, renewal of liquor license for on-premises consumption

A Motion was made by Bob Black, Second by Emil Eisdorfer and Ruth Burko - That Community Board #11 recommend to the State Liquor Authority that this liquor license be renewed.

Passed.

4. 1436 Williamsbridge Road, d.b.a., Rainbow China - new license for on-premises consumption at a new establishment

A Motion was made by Emil Eisdorfer, Second by Ray Locascio - That Community Board #11 recommend to the State Liquor Authority that the new liquor license be granted.

Passed.

5. 1416 Williamsbridge Road, d.b.a., Sally's Casa Cosentino

Tom reported that this is a new ownership.

A Motion was made by Emil Eisdorfer, Second by Ray Locascio - That Community Board #11 recommend to the State Liquor Authority that a liquor license be granted to the new owners.

B. Land Use - Lee Mager/Kenneth Gelnick

As neither Lee nor Ken were present Tom Brown gave the report.

He stated that on August 1st the Board had received from the Department of City Planning a Uniform Land Use Review Process application for the proposed disposition of 8 City-owned parcels taken in-rem. Tom explained why a Public Hearing was not held. He stated that notices were placed in the local papers asking those interested to contact the Board no later than August 22nd. Tom said that letters were sent to residents, organizations and merchants. He stated that the Executive Committee had voted the following:

Parcel 1. - Block 4011, Lot 131 - 1990 Birchall Avenue on the south side of Sagamore Street between Birchall Avenue and Amethyst Street - To dispose of this parcel.

- Parcel 2. Block 4015, Lot 1 North side of E. 180th Street below the Bronx River Parkway -Not to dispose of this parcel.
- Parcel 3. Block 4019, Lot 33 535 Van Nest Avenue, 76 feet east of Van Buren Street This parcel was withdrawn by DRP
- Parcel 4. Block 4022, Lot 22 West side of Melville Street, 370 feet south of Van Nest Avenue -This parcel is in litigation
- Parcel 5. Block 4023, Lot 18 West side of Taylor Avenue, 295 feet south of Van Nest Avenue -To dispose of this parcel.
- Parcel 6. Block 4023, Lot 19 West side of Taylor Avenue, 320 feet south of Van Nest Avenue To dispose of this parcel.
- Parcel 7. Block 4293, Lot 58 West side of Matthews Avenue, 107 feet north of Brady Avenue This parcel is awaiting litigation.
- Parcel 8. Block 4535, Lot 64 West side of Mickle Avenue, 442 feet north of Allerton Avenue To dispose of this parcel.
 - C. <u>Highways</u>, <u>Traffic and Transportation</u> Fred Pocci

Fred reported that two items of interest had come up at the budget hearings with the Department of Transportation.

1. Request for Parking Facility in Westchester Square

Fred stated that he had been told that the site the Board suggested was not economically feasible, and it was also not within 350 feet of the shopping area. Fred asked for suggestions, and asked anyone with a site in mind to contact him or to call the Board office.

2. HW514 -Lodovick Avenue

Fred stated that this project (side streets of Stillwell Avenue) is going to be delayed until next year because the Department of Environmental Protection has found that the new sewer interferes with the gas lines. He said that they will have to work it out with Con Edison before they can proceed.

3. Request for authorized parking spaces at 1733 Eastchester $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Road}}\xspace.$

Fred reported that the Board had received a request from the University Diagnostic Medical Imaging, P.C. for parking restrictions in front of their facility (between Waters Place and Sackett Avenue) for ambulance parking. Fred read from the letter.

A Motion was made by Bob Black, Second by Joe Reda - That Community Board #11 send a letter to the Department of Traffic requesting that University Diagnostic Medical Imaging be given enough space to park an ambulance in front of their facility.

Passed.

4. Request to re-name a portion of Eastchester Road between Jarret Place and Williamsbridge Road Frank S. Lanzilli Place

Fred reported that he had received a request from Councilman Michael DeMarco for the renaming of Eastchester Road. He stated that the street name would not actually change, rather a sign will be placed under the Eastchester Road sign saying Frank S. Lanzilli Place.

A Motion was made by Bob Black, Second by Ray Locascio - That Community Board #11 send a letter to Councilman Michael DeMarco stating that Community Board #11 is in favor of this name addition.

Passed.

D. Youth/Youth Services - Ray Locascio

Ray reported that the next Youth Services Committee meeting would be on Wednesday, September 28th.

Dom reported that it had been brought to his attention that some of the members of the Youth Services Committee have missed a lot of meetings. He stated that two of these members are members of the Board. He stated that letters were sent to all those asking if they wished to remain on the Youth Services Committee. Dom stated that the two Board members were being given another chance, but if they do not attend they will be replaced.

E. <u>Public Safety</u> - Joe Reda

Joe reported that there are a lot of police problems. He stated that we need more police manpower. Joe stated that we have been fighting for more police with the help of Dom Castore, Borough President Ferrer, Councilman DeMarco and Councilman Crispino.

Joe reported that police are not responding to calls because they do not have enough manpower. He stated that they have had to call other precincts for backup. Joe stated that burglaries are being committed at night while people are sleeping in their homes.

Joe stated that the 49th Precinct has no burglary car, and no grand larceny car.

Joe spoke about the RAND formula. He stated that Senators

Velella and Padovan are holding hearing on the RAND formula which is very outdated.

CRIME STATISTICS

May - Robbery up 62%, burglary down 8%, grand larceny auto up 10% June- Robbery up 16.7%, burglary up 4.8%, grand larceny auto up 82.1% July- Robbery up 45%, burglary up 2%. grand larceny auto up 53.4%

Frank asked for a special session of the Board to invite the Police Brass to discuss our manpower problems.

Dom spoke about crime caused by crack. He said stores are being robbed during the day. Dom stated that some of the robberies are being committed by patients from the methadone programs and many are being committed by our own kids.

A Motion was made by Frank Muccioli, Second by Bill Ricevuto - That Community Board #11 hold a special session with the Mayor and Commissioner Ward.

Passed.

Discussion took place on the police who are on Allerton Avenue.

Frank stated that these officers are not from the 49th Precinct but from the Bias Unit. He stated that if there are complaints they will be removed and then there will be more problems.

Dom stated that Community Board #11 has to make noise. He stated that Community Board #10 made noise and they got more CPOP.

Joe Reda asked for more police on Williamsbridge Road.

Bill Ricevuto spoke about the fact that he had been robbed at gun point at 3:30 in the afternoon. He read from a letter Captain Hudson had sent to Assemblyman Eliot Engel in which he stated that the following procedures would take place:

- 1. Williamsbridge Road as a Priority Post.
- 2. Foot Patrol coverage on the 2nd and 3rd Platoons on Williamsbridge Road between Pelham Parkway south and Morris Park Avenue as follows:

On the 2nd Platoon, a Police Officer will be assigned Tuesday through Saturday, CPOP Officers will cover this post on Mondays, on the 3rd Platoon, Roll Call will assign a Police Officer from 1530 hours to 2000 hours.

c. Additional attention will be provided by the Anti-Crime Personnel on all tours. CPOP personnel have also been directed to provide coverage in the area on the 2nd and 3rd Platoons.

Bill stated that he has never met with the officer on the beat.

He stated that the officer did not even come into the store after the robbery. Bill stated that he was robbed after the beat officer's tour was over. He stated that in order to protect the merchants the tour should be 10-6.

Dom spoke about setting up a Committee to meet with the elected officials and Captain Hudson with letters of support and leaders of the various organizations.

Annette spoke. She stated that the Borough President had fought for more police. She stated that there is going to be a new class of 600 police.

Discussion took place that the Board could not wait for the new rookies.

Joe explained that there are 127 men on the rolls of the 49th Precinct. He stated that because of men on limited duty, men using their time before they retire etc. there are actually only 90 officers in the 49th Precinct.

Rabbi Fuchs stated that we need Community effort.

Dom suggested a rally on Pelham Parkway.

Dr. Acker suggested that we need a voter registration to convince people that if they don't vote they don't count.

Dom set up an Ad Hoc Committee:

Co-Chairmen Bob Black and Joe Reda; Bill Liblick, Fred Pocci, Jeff Klein, Ray Locascio, Leslie McHenry, Pat Quaranta, Frank Muccioli, and himself.

A meeting was scheduled for Thursday, September 29th at 7:30 P.M. in the Morris Park Community Association.

Memos on the meeting will be sent from the office.

Discussion took place on closing Pelham Parkway from Williamsbridge Road to Eastchester Road.

- F. <u>Health and Social Services</u> Bill Liblick
- 1. HRA Office at 4101 White Plains Road

A Motion was made by Bill Liblick, Second by Fred Pocci - That Community Board #11 request that the HRA office at 4101 White Plains Road remain open.

Passed.

2. Proposed group home at 1268 Adee Avenue

Bill reported that this is a proposed group home for 12 behaviorally disturbed children.

G. Parks - John Cifichiello

John reported that he had attended the budget consultations. He reported on the thefts of cobblestones in mass. John reported that the police had confiscated a truck with the cobblestones.

H. Education and Culture - Ruth Burko

Ruth reported that the Metropolitan Museum of Art is offering a series of slide talks for new museum visitors. She stated that the one-hour talks will be made available to community-based organizations as of October 11th. She asked anyone interested to contact her.

I. Community Development and Budget Priorities - Bob Black

Bob reported that the Budget Public Hearing is scheduled for October 5th. He stated that any Chairman who did not attend the budget consultation or send someone from his committee missed a very important part of the budget process. He stated that the budget consultations are held with the top officials of the agencies. They tell us what they need and you tell them what you think they need.

Dom reported that B.M.H.C. is losing nurses. He stated that 70 left the hospital last year. Dom stated that they almost had to close the emergency room one night as they did not have coverage.

Dom reported that he had invited Bob Black to speak with the Hospital's Advisory Board and advise them on how to get involved in the budget process.

VIII. New Business

Leslie McHenry spoke about the proposed plan to build a motel at the corner of Boston Road and Adee Avenue. She stated that this is a catchment area of schools and they do not need a motel.

Joe announced that the 49th Precinct Community Council will be holding a Fellowship Breakfast on October 13th at 9:00 .M. in Aging in America. He stated that Police Commissioner Ward will be the guest and that both he and Captain Hudson will be giving out awards. Joe asked anyone who did not get an invitation to contact the Board office.

Emil congratulated Jeff Klein on being elected State Committeeman.

The Board went into Executive Session at 10:14 P.M. and returned at 10:26 P.M.

A Motion was made by Bob Black, Second by Fred Pocci - That Community Board #11 take action on those Board members who failed to respond to the letters and who have not attended.

Passed.

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 10:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Raymond Locascio,

Secretary

ATTENDANCE AT MEETING OF SEMPTEMBER 22, 1988

PRESENT

Dr. Mary Acker Robert Black Ruth Burko Dominic Castore John Cifichiello Anthony DelGaudio Emil Eisdorfer Norman Engel Helen Frank	(0) (0) (0) (0) (0) (0) (0) (0)	Jeffrey Klein William Liblick Raymond Locascio Pat Manfredonia Leslie McHenry Frank Muccioli Fred Pocci Pat Quaranta Joseph Reda	(O) (O) (O) (O) (O) (O) (O)
Rabbi Moshe Fuchs Eli Goldsmith	(0)	William Ricevuto Madeline Saltaformaggio	(0)
ABSENT Nicholas Cremonese Kenneth Gelnick Lewis Goldstein Lee Mager Joseph Milone Jay Ira Nadler Richard Padro	(1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1)	Michael Prisco Blanche Comras Rifkin Anthony Rizzo George Sottolano Kenneth Thompson Vincent Zarcone	(1) (1) (1) (1) (1)

EX OFFICIO BOARD MEMBERS:

Helen Korman - Representing Councilman Michael DeMarco Corrine Garofolo - Representing Senator Guy Velella

STAFF, BOROUGH PRESIDENT AND AGENCY OFFICIALS:

Annette Marchitello -Borough President's Office
P.O. Isabel Torres - 49th Police Precinct
Manuel Lagares - Bx. Office of City Planning
Thomas J. Brown - District Manager, Community Board #11
Thomas Lucania - Assistant District Manager, Community Board #11
Harriet Lasky - Secretary, Community Board #11

GUESTS

Mel Hirsch, Chairman HRA Advisory Boards 11/12

NOTE: Numbers in parentheses denotes absences starting with September 22,1988 meeting

TREASURER'S REPORT 10/5/88

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PERSONAL SERVICES					
District Manager Assistant District Manager Office Associate Office Associate Prin. Administrative Associate Salary Adjustments Amount to be Scheduled	25,399 10,834 16,251	1,131 1,691 1,287	33,454 22,3381 10,2441 17,0641 22,1031 3,6883	$-542^{2} \cdot -812^{2} \cdot$	
TOTAL PERSONAL SERVICES	118,073	11,755	108,8914.	-776	
OTHER THAN PERSONAL SERVICES					
Supplies/Materials Supplies/Materials(Storehouse) Office Equipment General Contractual Services Contracts - Mira Glo Cleaning Postage Telephone & Other Communications Office Services Rental of Misc. Equipment Space Rental Fixed Charges TOTAL O.T.P.S.	1,446 1,680 900 2,766 3,500 200 1,575 600	-0- 772	312 $ -0- $ $ 128 $ $ -0- $ $ 1,540 $ $ -0- $ $ 2,766 $ $ -0- $ $ 174 $ $ 1,575 $ $ 500 $ $ 6,681$	1,361 26 -0-	
GRAND TOTAL	136,527	15,106	115,572	6,652	

- 1. Includes contractual increase of 5% for these positions.
- 2. Contractual increases are being treated as a deficit because the monies allocated for this purpose have yet to be scheduled on the budget line.
- 3. Money which has been set aside for contractual increases.
- 4. Difference between monies set aside for contractual increases and that which will be needed to cover them. May also be used for Merit Increases for District Manager and Assistant District Manager should the Board so desire.

- 5. Additional monies which may be used for Merit Increases and/or emergency O.T.P.S. expenditures.
- 6. Telephone bills are paid on a sporadic basis. Any surplus must be considered as committed because of the manner in which the Department of General Services pays the bills.
- 7. Imprest fund. Fund was reduced by the Comptroller by \$100 because last year's use of Fund did not justify \$600. However, Fund must be treated as untouchable revolving monies.