



**COMMUNITY PLANNING BOARD #11, THE BRONX  
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MINUTES OF MEETING HELD THURSDAY, MARCH 20, 1997

**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 Services Planning*

IN THE MORRIS PARK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

The meeting was called to order at 7:50 PM by Gerald Launer, First Vice Chairman.

I. Gallery Session

a. Renee Fiorenza spoke about the closing of the pediatric unit at Einstein Hospital. She stated that her daughter was hospitalized for a month ten years ago at Einstein Hospital. Ms. Fiorenza stated that one of the reasons that people have moved into this community was because it afforded them a quality hospital in the neighborhood.

Joe Reda and Rhoda Gogatz spoke about the poor attendance tonight and at the public hearing that the board held on the closing.

II. Chairman's Report - Dominic Castore

Dom named the following people to the Nominations Committee: Joseph Thompson, Chairman; Robert Potter, Madeline Saltaformaggio and Anthony DelGaudio.

III. District Manager's Report - John Fratta

John reported that the weeds on Mace Avenue and behind I.S. 144 as well as those on Lodovick and Mace Avenue have been cleared. He stated that the owner of this property plans on building 11 2 family homes starting at \$250,000. John stated that he hoped that this will encourage the owners of the other lots to clean them up.

1. Street Activity Permits

a. Application by the White Plains Road District Management Association to use both sides of White Plains Road (sidewalk) between Pelham Parkway South and Brady Avenue from July 10-12 with a rain date of July 17-19 from 10 A.M. - 6 P.M.

A Motion was made by Leslie McHenry, Seconded by Madeline Saltaformaggio - That Community Board #11 approve of this street permit.

Rhoda asked that it include that sufficient walking space be provided for 2 people to walk by at the same time.

After much discussion a motion to table was made.

A Motion was made by Rhoda Gogatz, Seconded by Leslie McHenry - That the vote on this permit application be tabled until the April meeting.

Passed.

John spoke about a call he received regarding having a Green Market once a week on in Community Board #11. He stated that normally this type of event is co-sponsored by a community organization as a fund raiser.

After much discussion it was decided that the schools should be contacted to see if they were interested in co-sponsoring this event on their grounds.

#### IV. Committee Reports

##### A. Economic Development

##### 1. Alcohol Beverage Control Licenses

a. Royal Coach Inn - 3260 Boston Road for on-premises consumption (RENEWAL)

A Motion was made by Joseph Thompson, Seconded by Rhoda Gogatz - That Community Board #11 notify the State Liquor Authority that it has no objections to the renewal of this license.

Passed.

b. Margo's Place - 720 Astor Avenue for on-premises beer consumption (NEW)

A great deal of discussion took place on this location and the fact that it was close to Columbus High School.

A Motion was made by Joseph Thompson, Seconded by Mauro Fanelli - That Community Board #11 notify the State Liquor that it has no objections to the granting of this license.

Passed with 1 against by Rhoda Gogatz.

c. Bravo's Place - 2233 Boston Road for on-premises consumption (RENEWAL)

A Motion was made by Joseph Thompson, Seconded by Rhoda Gogatz  
- That Community Board #11 notify the State Liquor Authority that it has no objections to the renewal of this license.

Passed.

d. Hawaii Sea Restaurant - 1477 Williamsbridge Road for on-premises consumption (RENEWAL)

A Motion was made by Joseph Thompson, Seconded by Rhoda Gogatz  
- That Community Board #11 notify the State Liquor Authority that it has no objections to the renewal of this license.

Passed.

Joe Thompson asked that a letter be sent to the State Liquor Authority regarding the fact that many times when he goes out to check a location they already have their license before the board has had a chance to comment.

V. Borough President's Report - Hermes Carabello

As Mr. Carabello had to attend another Board meeting he submitted the report to the secretary. Before leaving he reported that Friday, March 21st there will be a Borough wide celebration of Irish Heritage Week, Tuesday March 25th Greek Independence Day will be celebrated at the Community Center, 3573 Bruckner Blvd from 11-2 p.m. Bronx Week will be celebrated from May 26-June 1st. There will be a parade. Anyone interested in participating, please call the office.

1. BRONX BOROUGH PRESIDENT FERNANDO FERRER SPEAKS ON BUSINESS

2. FERRER: POLICE BIAS UNFAIR

3. BRONX BOROUGH PRESIDENT FERNANDO FERRER INVESTIGATES SPECIAL EDUCATION

4. BRONX BOROUGH PRESIDENT FERNANDO FERRER URGES SWISS BANKS TO RESTORE MONEY TO HOLOCAUST VICTIMS

5. FERRER DEMANDS CITY INVESTIGATION OF BATTERED WOMEN SHELTERS AFTER DOI CLOSES BRONX "CHAMBER OF HORRORS"

6. BRONX COUNCIL ON THE ARTS BRONX RECOGNIZES ITS OWN (BRIO)

7. BRONX LEGAL SERVICES

B. Health and Social Services - John Fratta

John reported that Montefiore is setting up a family advisory board. He stated that they want parents from this area to participate.

Rhoda expressed her displeasure at the letter received from Montefiore regarding what they would provide at the Emergency Room. She stated that this was not done on letterhead, nor was there a signature.

Rabbi Fuchs asked that a lawyer be present at the next meeting.

Dr. Louis Alosco spoke at length about the proposal to staff the Emergency Room with one doctor. He stated that he had been in the Emergency Room at times and had to help the doctor as there were too many patients for him to handle alone.

Joe Reda asked that a committee be set up to include all the elected officials and the Health Committee.

C. Housing - Leslie McHenry

Leslie reported that there is legislature pending to deregulate housing developments. She stated that minimum rent income would not be considered. Leslie stated that the residents of Pelham Parkway are putting up a fight.

Leslie spoke about the walking tour of NYCHA she went on with John. She stated that NYCHA tried to embarrass the board and accused the tenants of lying. Leslie also spoke about a meeting that John attended at the request of the tenants at which he was asked to leave by Mr. Levine.

Leslie read a letter from Vice President Mangual of Pelham Parkway Houses.

Discussion took place on having the managers of the housing developments attend the District Service Cabinet meeting. John stated that a motion was needed on this.

A Motion was made by Rhoda Gogatz, Seconded by Leslie McHenry  
- That a letter be sent to the managers of the 3 developments inviting them to attend the DSC meetings along with a letter to Rubin Franco with a cc: to the Mayor ordering all managers to attend the DSC meetings.

Passed

E. Parks and Recreation- John Cifichiello

John reported that there are 14 parks in our jurisdiction. He reported that Bronx Green-Up Day would be May 17th for Community Board #11.

F. Education and Culture - Ruth Burko

Ruth reported that there will be a poetry reading on April 5th at the Allerton Library. She also reported that in the March newsletter they asked that parents become more involved with the school PTA and volunteering their time.

G. Public Safety - Joseph Reda

Joe reported that crime is down. He also reported that the new Captain of the 49th Precinct is Guy R. Sino.

Crime stats for February

	<u>1997</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Robbery	39	55	- 29.09
Burglary	55	76	- 27.63
G.L.A.	95	94	+ 1.05
Murder	0	1	- 100.00
Rape	2	3	- 33.33

  

	<u>YEAR-TO-DATE</u>		
Robbery	97	103	- 5.83
Burglary	121	148	- 18.24
G.L.A.	228	231	- 1.30
Murder	1	2	- 50.00
Rape	5	4	+ 20.00

  

	<u>ARRESTS</u>		
Robbery	17	26	- 34.62
Burglary	5	7	- 28.57
G.L.A.	6	5	+ 16.67
Murder	0	1	- 100.00
Rape	2	2	-----

  

TOTAL FELONIES	265	326	- 18.71
TOTAL COMPLAINTS	779	926	- 15.88

There being no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Burko,  
Secretary

ATTENDANCE AT BOARD MEETING OF MARCH 20, 1997

PRESENT

James Cernera	(2) (0)	Annette Marchitello	(4) (0)
John Cifichiello	(2) (4)	Silvio Mazella	(0) (0)
Anthony DelGaudio	(4) (5)	Leslie McHenry	(0) (3)
Mauro Fanelli	(2) (2)	Hazel Miura	(1) (4)
Harain Figueroa	(1) (5)	Madeline Saltaformaggio	(0) (3)
Rabbi Moshe Fuchs	(1) (3)	Mark Shkreli	(2) (3)
Rhoda Gogatz	(6) (2)	Joseph Thompson	(0) (1)
Gerald Launer	(3) (9)	Linda White	(7) (1)
David Leavitt	(1) (3)	Lisa Winters	(5) (4)

ABSENT

Ruth Burko	(3) (8)	Dr. Manendra Patel	(1) (1)
Dominic Castore	(5) (0)	Robert Potter	(2) (2)
Priscilla Crowell	(4) (8)	Pat Quaranta	(7) (7)
Patrick Dolan	(3) (5)	Joseph Reda	(8) (4)
Emilian Eisdorfer	(7) (5)	William Ricevuto	(9) (7)
Kenneth Gelnick	(1) (5)	Blanche Comras Rickin	(9) (4)
Dexter Hendon	(5) (5)	Martiza Rodriguez	(9) (0)
Joseph Milone	(4) (2)	Elaine Weisbrot	(2) (6)
Seymour Ostroga	(1) (0)		

EX OFFICIO BOARD MEMBERS

Helen Korman - Representing Councilman Michael DeMarco  
Stepehn Holtz - Representing Councilwoman Lucy Cruz

OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS

Libbi Locascio - Representing Senator Guy Velella

STAFF, BOROUGH PRESIDENT, AND AGENCY OFFICIALS

John Fratta, District Manager  
Harriet Lasky, Secretary  
Jon Stasko - NYPL

\*Numbers in parenthesis denotes absences from September 1996 including Public Hearings.

Numbers in **BOLD** denotes absences from August 1995 through June 1996 including public hearings.