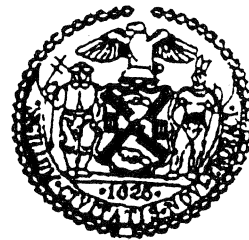




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- Parks & Playgrounds
- Public Safety
- Sanitation & Environmental Protection
- Youth

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD THURSDAY JUNE 28, 2007
IN LUBIN HALL

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Dom Castore, Chairman.

I. Gallery Session

a. Kay Cardona

Ms. Cardona spoke about 631 Pelham Parkway North. She stated that she had heard it was going to be an assisted living facility. Ms Cardona stated that the property has mice and is not corded off. She also stated that there was going to be an open house on Saturday which she would attend.

John stated that he would check into the permits.

b. Helene Samberg - Van Nest Branch Library

Ms. Samberg thanked the Board for its support of the libraries. She stated that the libraries will now be open 6 days a week.

c. Yvonne Hurley - 2275 Cruger Avenue

Ms. Hurley spoke about problems with people not picking up after their dogs. She also spoke about the noise coming from private sanitation trucks and the graffiti.

John stated that the complaint was given to the police about the noise from the basketball court. He stated that he would call the precinct tomorrow. John reported that there is a new graffiti law that owners must remove the graffiti or be summonsed. He stated that we would give it to 311.

II. Minutes

A Motion was made by Linda White, Seconded by Ruth Burko - That the Minutes be accepted as received.

PASSED

III. Chairman's Report - Dominic Castore

Dom reported that Lily Lozano is no longer a Board member as she works for an elected official. He introduced the new members: Macharia Brown, Estella Foley, Elizabeth Nazario and Joseph Thurston. Dom asked them to get their Committee Request Forms back to the office as soon as possible. He stated that over the summer he would be making changes in the Committees. Anyone unhappy with their committee should contact the office.

IV. District Manager's Report - John A. Fratta

John reported that the District Needs Statement had been distributed. He stated that a vote on this is due tonight.

Street Closing Applications

1. Application from Stefania Bonasia on behalf of the Radcliff Block Association to close Radcliff Avenue between Neill and Rhinelander Avenues on August 4th with a rain date of August 5th for a block party.

2. Application from the Morris Park Association to close Bronxdale Avenue between Morris Park and Rhinelander Avenues on October 7th from 11AM to 8 PM for a street festival

A Motion was made by Sandy Unger, Seconded by Michael Carriere - That Community Board #11 send a letter to SAP stating that we have no objection to these street closings. **PASSED WITH 1 ABSTENTION WITH CAUSE FROM AL D'ANGELO**

John stated that SAPO is being a stickler with the time frame. If is under 60 days they will reject it.

3. Application from Joseph Bukowiecki on behalf of the 2400 Block of Kingsland Avenue to close Kingsland Avenue between Waring and Mace Avenues on August 26th with a rain date of September 1st from 11 AM to 8 PM for a block party

A Motion was made by Linda White, Seconded by Denise Giocondo - That Community Board 11 send a letter to SAPO stating that we have no objection to this street closing. **PASSED**

V. Treasurer's Report - Silvio Mazzella

Silvio reported that next year's budget has been increase by \$5,000 for salaries. He stated that the Treasurer's Reports were distributed.

A Motion was made by Silvio Mazzella, Seconded by Linda White - That the Treasurer's Reports be accepted as received. **PASSED**

VI. Committee Reports

A. Parks and Recreation - Joe Carfora

Joe reported that the Minutes had been submitted.

A Motion was made by Joe Carfora, Seconded by Pat Quaranta
- That Community Board 11 send a letter supporting _____ and ask them to reconsider changes as proposed by the Pelham Parkway North Association.

Joe said that the plans were never presented to the Parks Committee and without community input.

John said that they are in the final design stage. He stated that we can ask them to reconsider to do minor changes.

PASSED

B. Highways, Traffic and Transportation - John Dennehy

John reported that the Committee had met on June 4th. He stated that the Board had received a request to name a portion of Westervelt Avenue _____. He stated that the Committee did not things in his resume to warrant this

A Motion was made by John Dennehy, Seconded by Michael Carriere - That this street naming not be done. **PASSED WITH 1 ASTENTION BY EUGENE TUTORA**

C. Youth - Linda White

Linda reported that the Minutes had been submitted. She stated that there will not be a meeting in July. Linda reported that we have not heard from DOE about the Beacon. Linda reported that Mr. Guston O'Neill from Parks will be coming to our meetings. She stated that the Parks Department loans equipment to groups e.g. baseball game. Contact the Bronx Parks Department.

D. Economic Development - Joanne Rubino

1. Alcohol Beverage Control Licenses

a. La Casa Del Caffe Ltd. - 1036 Morris Park Avenue for on-premises consumption (RENEWAL)

A Motion was made by Joanne Rubino, Seconded by Sandra Unger - That Community Board 11 send a letter to the SLA stating that we have no objection to the issuing of this renewal license. **PASSED**

b. Paulding Bar - 1025 Morris Park Avenue for on-premises consumption (NEW OWNERS)

A Motion was made by Joanne Rubino, Seconded by Bob Potter - That Community Board 11 send a letter to the SLA stating that we have no objection to the issuing of this license. **PASSED**

c. El Compadre - 600 Van Nest Avenue for on-premises consumption (NEW)

A Motion was made by Joanne Rubino, Seconded by Sandra Unger - That Community Board 11 send a letter to the SLA stating that we have no objection with a proviso that they install cameras inside and outside of the establishment. **PASSED**

d. El Compi Restaurant - 2233 Boston Road for on-premises consumption

A Motion was made by Joanne Rubino, Seconded by Sandra Unger - That Community Board 11 send a letter to the SLA that we object to this renewal as it comes from the old owners. **PASSED**

e. Azteca Corp. - 651 Morris Park Avenue for on-premises consumption (RENEWAL)

A Motion was made by Joanne Rubino, Seconded by Sandy Unger - That Community Board 11 send a letter to the SLA stating that we object to the issuing of this license. **PASSED**

E. Education and Culture - Ruth Burko

Ruth reported that the Committee did not meet this month. She also reported that the libraries are open on Saturdays and urged everyone to use them.

Ruth thanked the Borough President for his acknowledgement of the Planning Boards.

Bob Potter reported that we have not gotten the report card on the schools.

F. Land Use - Joe McManus

Joe reported that the Committee did not meet this month.

Joe discussed the Maran lot being made larger by making it several levels.

Joe reported that a 911 call center is proposed for Water Place.

G. Health and Social Services - Blanche Comras Rifkin

Blanche reported that the Committee did not meet this month. She stated that she had received a call from Assemblywoman Rivera that there will be concerts in Comras Mall. She also reported that there will be 2 or 3 movies.

H. Public Safety - Vincent Prezioso

Vinny reported on the PSA Center

I. Sanitation and Environmental Protection - Michael Carriere

Michael reported that the Minutes had been submitted. He stated that Joanne chaired the meeting as he was not able to attend. Michael reported that a great deal of graffiti has been taken care of. He stated that the Committee goes out twice a week with the sprayer. He asked anyone who sees a site that needs to be taken care of to call the Board and we will contact the owners to sign off on it.

Linda spoke about people not picking up after their dogs.

John stated that the Board can pass a motion on this but it is a low priority. He stated that we can give them locations, and they will send under covers to catch the offenders

Bob Potter spoke about Sanitation Officer Terranova who would be willing to come to the Board or any community association if you have an agenda and speak.

Joanne spoke about Santini Reality on Eastchester Road who has graffiti on their roof and the Allstate building.

Joe McManus thanked Michael for getting the paint for the graffiti removal

J. Elections - Gene Tutora

Gene asked the Secretary to cast one vote for the slate and Ruth Burko did so.

Annette Marchitello thanked the Board members for their kind expressions of sympathy on the loss of her husband.

There being no further business before the Board the meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ruth Burko".

Ruth Burko,
Secretary

ATTENDANCE AT MEETING OF JUNE 28, 2007

PRESENT

Joseph Bacote	(3)	Silvio Mazzella	(1)
Ruth Burko	(2)	Joseph McManus	(1)
Junior Campbell	(3)	Hazel Miura	(4)
Joseph Carfora	(1)	Diane Norris	(1)
Michael Carriere	(5)	Dr. Mahendra Patel	(1)
Dominic Castore	(3)	Robert Potter	(0)
Diane Cerino	(3)	Vincent Prezioso	(1)
Albert D'Angelo	(4)	Blanche Comras Rifkin	(1)
John Dennehy	(3)	Joanne Rubino	(1)
Pat Dolan	(0)	Irene Rukaj	(4)
Altagracia Fabal	(2)	Martin Sacewicz	(1)
Estella Foley	(0)	Joseph Thompson	(0)
Harain Figueroa	(1)	Joseph Thurston	(0)
Rabbi Moshe Fuchs	(3)	Marisa Totino	(1)
Denise Giocondo	(1)	Eugene Tutora	(1)
David Leavitt	(1)	Sandra Unger	(2)
Annette Marchitello	(4)	Linda White	(1)

ABSENT

Macharia Brown	(1)	Mary Paliotta	(3)
Rosemary Durso	(4)	Joseph Reda	(6)
Kenneth Gelnick	(5)	Eliezer Rodriguez	(6)
Rev. Leslie McHenry	(8)	Vincent Taddeo	(4)
Elizabeth Nazario	(1)	Janice Walcott	(1)

STAFF, BOROUGH PRESIDENT AND AGENCY OFFICIALS

John A. Fratta, District Manager – Community Board 11
Harriet Lasky, Secretary – Community Board 11
Susan Nolan, Community Coordinator – Community Board 11
Andy Toledo – Representing Borough President Adolph Carrion Jr.

GUESTS

Helene Samberg – Van Nest Branch Library