



**THE CITY OF NEW YORK  
BOROUGH OF THE BRONX  
COMMUNITY BOARD 7**



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## GENERAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

<b>Chair:</b>	<b>Barbara Stronczer, Acting Chairperson</b>
<b>Meeting Date:</b>	<b>September 27, 2022</b>
<b>Meeting Time:</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>
<b>Meeting Location:</b>	<b>Montefiore Hospital Cherkasky Auditorium <a href="#">110 East Gun Hill Road, Bronx, NY 10467</a></b>
<b>Minutes done by:</b>	<b>Yajaira Arias</b>

**Minutes:**

Thank you to Montefiore Medical Center for hosting CB7 tonight  
Montefiore Coordinator Welcoming Remarks

Introductions of CB7 Staff – Jade Guzman and Karla Cabrera Carrera

Interim Chair of CB7 Barbara Stronczer - Welcoming Remarks

Welcoming of new board members

Reading of Guidelines & Code of Conduct

**Public Hearing**

**Elected Officials:**

**Bronx Borough Presidents Office - Alexis**

During Bronx Week BP Office Honored  
Andrew Laiosa and Barbara Stronczer

**Mayor Eric Adams Office - Alina**

Liaison to all of the City Agencies  
Welcoming remarks – nice to see everyone in person  
Mayor is working with electives to set up humanitarian efforts

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**Senator Gustavo Rivera – Rachel Ferrari**

Welcoming remakes – nice to see everyone in person

Chair of the Health Committee – encourage everyone to get the Covid Booster (MRNA)  
– break out of Polio – reach out to your health care provider.

Child vaccinations are low – if you can encourage family and loved one

Office is open and available

**Senator Biaggi – Tyler**

Welcoming remakes – nice to see everyone in person

Legislation S9039 –

<https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2021/s9039/amendment/a>

Award Ceremony for member of community - recommendations

**Assembly Member Natalia Fernandez Office**

Welcoming remakes – nice to see everyone in person

Mental Health Forum 9/28/22 – in person and virtual

Northeast YMCA

Every Thursday - Free housing and advocacy assistance at the office

ERAP is still open

Landlord/Tenant

Collecting donations for – non- perishable items

Seeking donations for asylum seekers – Orchard Beach

9/14/22 funding opening

Please reach out to our office at [fernandezn@nyassembly.gov](mailto:fernandezn@nyassembly.gov) or call us at (718) 409-0109.

**Assemblymember Yudelka Tapia Office**

Welcoming remakes – nice to see everyone in person

10/15/22 Peace March

9/26/22 Telethon

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2175C Jerome Avenue, Bronx, NY 10453 718-933-6909

**Councilmember Oswald Feliz Office**

Welcoming remark – nice to see everyone in person

Budget – allocating \$4 million for Poe Park – seeking suggestions

**Councilmember Pierina Sanchez – Adrian Castro**

Welcoming remarks– nice to see everyone in person

Citizenship services available

Fall Festival coming up

**District Attorney Office – Erica Diaz**

Welcoming remarks– nice to see everyone in person

Upcoming 5K Walk at 161st Street and Grand Concourse

William Stanford – Hispanic Heritage

9/28/22 – 10 am City Hall Steps to demand better housing conditions

**Department of Sanitation – Hillary**

Welcoming remarks – nice to see everyone in person

Fall leaves will be picked up in November and December

<https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/dsny/site/services/food-scrap-and-yard-waste-page/leaf-collection>

Waste/Food Scraps

<https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/dsny/site/services/food-scrap-and-yard-waste-page>

**Chair of Neighborhood Advisory Board 7 & 8 – Dileta Pina and Chad Royer**

The Community Needs Assessment (CNA)

10/12/2022 – Public Hearing on Federal Funding for Community Social Services

**Lowell Green** – mentioning graffiti in front of CB7 office. Would like for something to be done.

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**AJ Ramos**– mentioning CB7 to follow the City Charter and comply with FOIL Request.

**Sirio Guerrino** – The pool at Dewitt Clinton is still not working/could not hire lifeguards for Summer; Mayor lied for 1% of budget for parks;  
Quality of Life/Housing/DOT needs to do more for our community

**Olga Perez** – The owner MVP Lifeguards – shortage of lifeguards  
Would like the pool at Dewitt Clinton to be operational.

**Mosholu Library - Jane Addison**

In person programming started

EOSL classes will resume in November – in person registration

Free after school program will resume next month from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

**Jean Hill** – during roll call all members to please stand up and bring mask down – to be recognized.

Closing of Public Session

Meeting called into order by interim Chair Barbara Stronczer

Notice to all members – Executive Session will take place after the end of tonight’s meeting.

Former Chair Emmanuel Martinez resigned over the summer.

At next month’s meeting there will be nominations with an election taking place in November.

**District Manager Ischia Bravo’s Report:** <https://bit.ly/3VLOFVd>

Karla Cabrera Carrera – Received \$2,000 grant NYC Civic Engagement Commission

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Update:

Motions:

Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs

Committee Recommends letter to be sent to Park's Department stating the board's approval of the design work for Poe Park

Motion Second by Michelle Avila

Vote taken motion passes

Myrna Calderon – suggestion to have a short presentation

DM – motion template has been updated

Committee Reports:

**Education:**

Did not meet in September

For more information – please see minutes

**Environment:**

9/6/22 – updates from DEP

Discussion on running hydrants and flooding clogging catch basins

October meeting to be rescheduled

For more information – please see minutes

**Health:**

9/20/22

Updates Covid, Polio and Monkeypox – encouragement to get vaccinated/boost

North Central 10/1/22 – breast cancer awareness

For more information – please see minutes

**Housing:**

9/12/22 – updates on Kingsbridge Armory/Fordham Landing/ERAP update

For more information – please see minutes

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## **Parks:**

Presentation by Katherine Borrrome and Dough Nash Poe Park Rehabilitation Design  
Joe Magneri status update on parks employees/staffing

Discussion of Trash collections in the area

Discussions of Budget & Capitol Expense

For more information – please see minutes

## **Public Safety & Quality of Life:**

For more information – please see minutes

## **Traffic & Transportation:**

For more information – please see minutes

## **Veterans:**

Presentation by Ronald Downs

Volunteer Program

Veterans Crisis Hotline 988 option1

Following up at the next meeting as to Memorial located

Capital and Expense needs – increasing the allotment for veterans housing

For more information – please see minutes

## **ByLaws:**

Meeting Thursday, September 29, 2022 to finish the bylaws

Elections coming up soon - consider attending

Michelle Avila – RAT Academy being held In Person 10/7/22 and virtual 10/18/22.

Myrna Calderon – Raccoon outbreak – rabies (be careful with your pets)

Lowell Green – encourage those who call 311 to give exact address and obtain 311 ticket#.

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Next General Board meeting will be 10/25/22 – tentatively

Motion to go into Executive Session – Presented by Betty Arce

Motion to return to General Meeting presented by Yajaira Arias

Motion second by Betty Arce

Motion to close meeting presented by Sandra Erickson

Motion second by all members

Meeting ended at 9:05 p.m

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