



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



RUBEN DIAZ, JR., BOROUGH PRESIDENT

EMMANUEL MARTINEZ, CHAIRPERSON

ISCHIA BRAVO, DISTRICT MANAGER

ENVIRONMENT & SANITATION COMMITTEE

Chair:	Betty Arce
Meeting Date:	Tuesday, June 1 st , 2021
Meeting Time:	6:30 PM
Meeting Location:	Via Zoom Video/Teleconference
Members (Check Those In Attendance)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Helene Hartman-Kutnowsky <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gwen Thomas Steed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rosalie Leslie <input type="checkbox"/> Michael Alvarado <input type="checkbox"/> Denise Marlin <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jean Hill
Minutes done by:	Betty Arce

Minutes:

- I) **Introductions**
 - a) The meeting started at 6:40 PM
 - b) Attendance taken
 - c) Reading of Guidelines for ZOOM video/teleconference Meetings
- II) **Review of previous minutes (If applicable)**
- III) **Follow-up from previous month (If applicable)**
- IV) **New Business**
 - a) Introduction to Morgan Kuhl, new DSNY Supervisor District 7
 - b) Effie Ardizzone | Bronx Borough Coordinator | NYC Environmental Protection, Bureau of Public Affairs & Communications
 - c) Discussing the future priorities for CB 7 as it relates to the environment & sanitation issues.
 - 1) Identifying the resources needed to make a difference in improving conditions in CB 7 that can be discussed with new city council members and other elected officials representing the community board.
 - rejuvenate our neighborhoods and communities



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- **Review of CB 7 budget request items that may need further enhancement**
 - **DEP**
 - **Water Quality issues/Safe Drinking Review city and state efforts to help cleanup and**
 - **water/water conservation**
 - **Open hydrants –**
 - **Need for more DEP enforcement officers**
 - **Review of the Open hydrant policy/revise and reform to conserve water**
- d) Enhancing our relationship with DSNY to outreach the community**
- 1) More collaboration with agencies and community organizations and elected officials**
 - **Vendor & residential responsibility in maintaining clean streets**
- e) Training for building supers in rat control by better management of garbage and trash areas in apartment buildings**
- f) Improving Recycling & Reviving Organic collection & Composting (when the program resumes) and encouraging greater participation from apartment buildings and single-family homes.**
- g) Developing partnerships with non-profits and community organizations focused on environmental and animal issues**
- 1) Other Ideas discussed included:**
 - **Animal issues –**
 - **Increase in cat population**
 - **Trap Neuter Release of Feral and Stray Cats**
 - **Awareness and support**
 - **Raccoon - What can be done to address the proliferation of raccoons in our neighborhood and their safe and humane relocation, if any?**



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- V) Next meeting date: Tuesday, September 7, 2021**
- VI) Discussion on next agenda**
- VII) Adjournment**