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### COMMUNITY BOARD 7



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## **SANITATION & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

### **MEETING MINUTES**

**Tuesday June 10, 2014 6:30 PM**

- I. Environmental Issues:
  - A. Update from NYS DEC on 3200 Jerome Avenue - PS 51: Building Remediation  
The work to remove the Trichloroethylene from the building is still in progress. It is anticipated that the remediation will be completed by the end of the year. It is likely that the building owner will then start their own construction
  - B. Update from NYS DOH on outcomes from Follow-up meeting – The risks associated with the Trichloroethylene (TCE) exposure with NYS DOH. Meeting was held on April 24, 2014 at St. Phillip Neri Church Parish Hall.  
There is no update from the Department of Health regarding the study of the feasibility of a Health Study for the Bronx New School community, students and staff
  - C. Update from NYC DEP - Hydrant Issues: Our area continues to be a lockdown district, meaning that all the hydrants are locked and cannot be opened without the help of the fire department. The local Fire department on Briggs Avenue has spray caps for the community to request. Call or visit the fire house to ask for installation of a spray cap for the summer
  - D. Open Manhole Covers: On Bedford Park between Decatur and Webster Ave. Resolved
- II. New business:
  - A. A request was made to review the lack of parking spaces outside Serviam Gardens. The matter was referred to the Transportation Committee
  - B. Graffiti concerns were discussed. Tracy Towers has a wall of graffiti and Allen Cleaners does too. One option is to call the precinct and ask the police to arrange to have the graffiti removed. The approval of the landlord is required first
- III. Sanitation Issues:
  - A. Part of the Solution (POTS) Operations Manager Patrick Wynne will be getting a wire basket on June 11. There have been no recent complaints about the sidewalk around the building
  - B. Concerns about dog excrement: Searching for items that can be used to clean up dog excrement and advertise the Board. Several options were found by the District Manager, Dustin Engelken. More research is needed but the committee felt it was a great idea and that it would be welcomed by the community



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- C. The search for signs to alert the neighborhood of the law and the fines has not been found yet. The Department of Transportation does not make Sanitation signs, only signs for alternate side of the street parking so the streets can be cleaned
- D. Shopping Carts on 204<sup>th</sup> Street:
  - 1. Several approaches were discussed and there was no clear cut approach on this
  - 2. It was suggested that a letter will be written to request that the carts be removed
    - a. UPDATE (As of June 14): The carts are no longer located on 204<sup>th</sup> street

IV. New Business:

- A. None raised

V. Adjournment of meeting