



THE CITY OF NEW YORK

BOROUGH OF THE BRONX

COMMUNITY BOARD 7



PAUL FOSTER, CHAIRMAN

FERNANDO P. TIRADO, DISTRICT MANAGER

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, September 1st, 2011 @ 6:30 PM

- I) Attendance sheet in file. The attendees were as follows:
- A) Committee Members:
- 1) William Francis
 - 2) Barbara Stronczer
 - 3) Nora Feury
 - 4) Helene Hartman
 - 5) Margaret Mack
- B) Guests:
- 1) Mary Vallati
 - 2) Nat Herz
 - 3) George Diaz
 - 4) Joseph Lee
 - 5) Jay Shuffield
 - 6) Lorita Watson
 - 7) Doug Condit
 - 8) Jasmeet Sidhu
- II) The committee agreed to end the beautification of the Bailey Ave project due to the loss of the \$15,000 dollars from Councilman Cabrera's office. George Diaz of Councilman Koppell's office said there is no money left for any project.
- III) The committee discussed the renaming of the Bailey Ave. area in honor of Ozzie Brown. We will continue the discussion of areas that could be a memorial site for honoring Mr. Brown at the October meeting and vote of a suggested site to present to the Exec. Board. We also discussed planting tulips on the hill adjacent to the entrance of the waterfront, near the 207th street bridge crossing. It was felt that this could be done with volunteers and would not require funding. The committee would like to start some action this fall.
- IV) The Park's summer report was to reschedule for October's meeting. Some guidelines for how this part of the meeting will proceed were outlined at this meeting. All complaints must be done in writing, with a copy of letters and or emails to and from the Parks Department given to the committee. Only one person from any community group will present their issues (be allowed to speak) to the committee. The Parks Manager will be given a chance to respond to the issues.
- V) Committee members were asked to begin preparing for the budget process with some discussion on priorities to be held next month.
- VI) The committee chair informed the members that this committee will be doing an increased amount of its work in between meetings utilizing emails so as to shorten discussion time on issues doing meetings. The committee will be meeting on the 1st Thursday of the month. The agenda for the monthly meeting will be emailed to members by the 17th of the preceding month. Members will have one week to respond to the agenda before it will be sent to the board office for posting on the board's internet site.
- VII) Meeting adjourned