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BOROUGH OF THE BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD 7



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PUBLIC SAFETY& QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE

Chair:	Dilletta Pina
Event Date:	Thursday, June 13, 2019
Meeting Time:	7:00 PM
Meeting Location:	Bronx Community Board 7 229-A East 204 th St. Bronx, NY 10458
Members (Check Those In	✓ Dilletta Pina ✓ Yajaira Arias Stanley Richards Helene Redd
Attendance)	✓ Adaline Walker Santiago Tiffany Wheatland-Disu
Narrative Done By:	Dilletta Pina

Minutes:

- I. Introductions
- II. Review of last month's minutes
- III. Follow-up from previous month
- **IV.** New Business
 - a. Crime Prevention Officer, Frank Pacella, gave a very informative presentation about Robo-Calls Scams. Advising the participants to inform their neighbors, family members, and friends to be careful not to give personal information over the phone when they get an intimidating call asking to provide financial information. He also advised that no one should be sending money to anyone requesting that you buy a gift card and then send the gift card to them. Also, we must remember that no government agency call on the phone for information, they write to us. Do not fall for the Social Security scam that says that your social security is suspended and they need to verify information on the phone. These scams are all going on presently and they affect mostly the senior citizens and people with disabilities, but they can affect anyone.
 - b. Vladimir Rodriguez, Coordinator of the Friendly Visiting Program of Neighborhood Shopp, gave a presentation about the program. The Friendly Visiting Program is one where the volunteers visit a homebound senior at least once a week for one hour. This visit gives the senior a much needed socialization session where the senior can talk about whatever the senior wants and the visits are instrumental for the mental health of the senior. The volunteers get a background check, conducted by the NYC Department for the Aging, to insure the seniors are safe. Volunteering for this program is a six month commitment to visit one senior for that time. Of course, this time can be extended depending on the relationship of the volunteer and the senior.
 - c. One of the participants spoke of an ice cream truck that parks at 2848 Bainbridge Avenue and idles and keeps the music going while stopped and this noise bothers the seniors at that location. Officer Pacella suggested to call 311 and get a reference number so the precinct can follow up.
 - d. The Committee Chair informed everyone about the upcoming CB7 Community Resource Fair on Saturday, June 29 at Poe Park. Fliers were provided by the staff and a poster was given to Officer Pacella to place in the precinct for all officers to be aware.



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- e. Officer Pacella informed us about the 52nd Precinct Open House on Friday, June 21st and asked that we come and that we spread the word to the community residents.
- f. The Chair also stated that Montefiore CAB is sponsoring a Yoga Night at Frisch Field on Friday, June 21st starting at 6:30 P.M. So, we can attend the open house at the precinct and then go to the yoga event right down the street from the precinct.
- g. Future Events
 - 1. CB7 Community Resource Fair on Saturday, June 29 at Poe Park
 - 2. 52nd Precinct Open House on Friday, June 21st
 - 3. Montefiore CAB Yoga Night at Frisch Field on Friday, June 21st
- V. Next month's meeting date: Thursday, September 12, 2019
- VI. Discussion on next month's agenda
 - a. Recess until September
- VII. Adjournment