



**BROOKLYN COMMUNITY BOARD 13**  
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Borough President

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Chairperson

**EDDIE MARK**  
District Manager

**COMMUNITY BOARD 13  
BOARD MEETING  
MINUTES**

**Date:** Dec. 20, 2021

**Time:** 7:00 p.m.

**Loc:** Zoom

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Zunera Ahmed  
Dionne Brown  
Marion Cleaver  
Mark Davidovich  
Susan Flaschenberg  
Amarilys Herrera  
Yelena Makhnin  
Michael Quinn  
Jeff Sanoff  
Michael Silverman  
Jack Suben  
Edita Volovodovskaya  
Joann Weiss

Shirley Aikens  
Patricia Brown  
Joe Corace  
Lolita Divilova  
Selina Grant  
Queenie Huling  
Pat O'Brien  
Shimon Rinkovsky  
Fran Schwartz  
Pat Singer  
Barbara Teitelbaum  
Dennis Vourderis  
Annette Wesley

Lakeisha Bowers  
Mario Caggiano  
Nadine Dabney  
Brian Gotlieb  
Ronald Greenberg  
Bernard Kaufman  
Joseph Packer  
Michael Russo  
Tatyana Segal  
Evelyn Strasser  
Dennis Vourderis  
Gloria Watkins  
Kumali Zairee

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Lucy Acevedo  
Brian Granoff  
Milagros Quiles(exc)  
David Wynn

Wanda Feliciano  
Erum Hanif(exc)  
Priscilla Santos

Olga Fort(exc)  
Thomas Hopkiins  
Pervez Siddiqui

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Eddie Mark, Dist. Mgr., Hanna Glikman, Community Associate, Barbara Santonas, Secy

Jeff Sanoff, First Vice Chair opened the last meeting of 2021. He reminded everyone that anything put in the Chat box, if the meeting is FOILED, will be part of the record. He stated the Chairperson Lucy Acevedo wishes everyone who celebrates a Merry Christmas and wishes everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year. He also explained that the minutes of the November meeting will be approved at the end of this meeting, which will also count for the meeting's attendance.

**PRESENTATION:** Go Smart Program – DOT

Stefanie Shore, Chief of Staff  
Street Improvement Program

Stefanie explained that this Street Improvement Program is done by a multidisciplinary team including the Street Ambassador's Team. (see attached for full description of the program).

Stefanie introduced Burns Forsythe and Mohammed-Khan of the Street Ambassador's Team. They are a multilingual team and during 2019 they had completed 1250 surveys

about transportation, from visitors to the area, at 11 different sites in the amusement area. Surveys were taken at MCU Park, Luna Park Amusement and Aquarium. Some surveys were also answered by residents.

Joseph Szenda discussed the Go Smart Program which will be for zip codes 11204, 11214 and 11230. The new online tools will be up and running soon. The survey done in 2019 focused on visitors. Questions were asked about how the visitors travelled to Coney Island. Feedback on transportation problems were also taken from residents. However, majority of the surveys were done by visitors, not residents.

There was a question about the bus stop in front of Coney Island Hospital, whether it will be reconstructed. Ronda Messer, DOT stated that the bus stop is part of the contract and will be completely reconstructed.

Christopher Grief complained that there are cars illegally parked at the bus stop in front of Coney Island Hospital. Ronda stated that if the cars are illegally parked, they need to be ticketed by NYPD.

Jeff Sanoff asked that the power point on the Go Smart Program be forwarded to the board office for reference.

**PUBLIC SPEAKING:**

Christopher Greif – The reduced fair link is online. Mask Force was done last Friday. and it was very successful.

Ida Sanoff – She remarked that our community has been misled about the ferry. The dredging was done incorrectly without measures to contain the contaminants. The barges were leaking. The contractor was fined and fired by the DEC, NYS and ACE. The air quality would be impacted from the ferry. The Parks Department ignored their scientist who said that the environment would be impacted from the project.

Craig Hammerman – See attached statement.

Debra Greif – She received an offer to participate in Mercato 3 months for \$110 in various zip codes. Can be paid by credit card or debit card. Received letter from CVS Care that their pharmacy is no longer in network. No phone number, no email address.

Maya Haddad Miller – Brooklyn Beach Shop – She stated that City Council is in favor of the leases on the boardwalk be renegotiated by the lease holder.

**ELECTED OFFICIALS:**

Councilmember Mark Treyger – He remarked that his Chief of Staff, Anna Scaife has been very helpful negotiating for the boardwalk stores. This is his last meeting as Councilmember. He thanked the Community Board for their service. They may not always have agreed with him, but they always worked together for the betterment of the community. When he became Councilmember schools had temporary boilers, libraries also had temporary boilers and the area had been ravaged by Super Storm Sandy and had not recovered. A lot has been done during his tenure to assist the community in their recovery. They have been incredible partners in service. Ida G. Israel is still doing testing for COVID 8-4 p.m. Coney Island Hospital 2<sup>nd</sup> floor is site for Pfizer vaccines and boosters. Appointments should be made but walk ins can be accommodated.

Charlene Batts – Assembly Member Frontus – She reported that their office is closed due to COVID, but they are still available to assist constituents via phone. On behalf of the Assembly Member, she wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Zunera is on the WINN Shelter Community Advisory Board and she gave a report on their first meeting. The facility is not at full capacity. There are mostly single parents with 1-2 children. There are some with dual parents also. The Community Advisory Board will hold quarterly meetings and going forward, the meetings will be opened to the community.

**CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT:**

Congratulations to CM Elect Kagan and CM Elect Vernikov, Borough President Elect Antonio Reynoso and Mayor Elect Eric Adams. We are looking forward to working with all of them. There is a possibility that the January Board meeting may be in person. If so, it will be held at St. Paul's Church on West 8<sup>th</sup> Street. We will know more by Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>. If we go hybrid we will need someone who has technology ability to assist us. Half of our board members are up for reappointment. We will notify the members who need to reapply in early January.

**DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT:**

Eddie wished everyone a Happy & Healthy Holiday. He thanked everyone who attended the two Caroling events. One included TD34 and 60<sup>th</sup> Pct Explorers, Sharks and Girl Scouts & Boy Scouts which went from 60<sup>th</sup> Pct. to TD34. The second event had the same participants but went from the Fire House on Neptune Avenue to PSA1. There was ribbon cutting for Surf Playground on West 25<sup>th</sup> Street. Kaiser Park will have a ten million dollar renovation of the play areas and walk ways. Scarangella Park will get a new comfort station which will cost \$9 million dollars and will take 18 months to complete. Eddie thanked all the agencies which assisted in the toy drives which took place in the community during the holidays. There is no date for the ribbon cutting for the ferry. The Polar Bear Plunge will take place New Year's Day, however instead of everyone going into the water at once, once you register you take the plunge. There is a possibility that the Mayor may cancel the New Year's Eve Festivities, he may decrease the number of participants. Today is the last day for filing an application for Raven Hall.

**COMMUNICATION & CORRESPONDENCE:**

Samuel Rinkovsky

- Winter Wonderland Dec. 21<sup>st</sup> 4-7 p.m. Liberation Diploma Plus H.S.
- Unknown Bikers Holiday Party Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup> 4-6 p.m. 1221 Bowery

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Dionne Brown

This is the Treasurer's Report for the first quarter (7/1-9/30/2021)

Beginning Bal	\$338,574
Rent, Tel. Heat	81,176
OTPS – office related	36,020
PS-3 salaries	221,368

The budget is currently on point, no changes.

Closing Bal	290.374
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**OLD BUSINESS:**

Joann Weiss – W.8<sup>th</sup> Street train station – on the W. 6<sup>th</sup> St. side the gate is only waist high. In the past rocks have been thrown from the platform causing damages. Today a pedestrian got hit with a bottle tossed from the platform. MTA feels it is not their problem that the fence needs to be raised. Something has to be done. (Eddie will follow up with MTA)

Lolita Divilova – She added that she has been dealing with this problem since 2018.

AM Frontus wished everyone Happy Holidays.

**GOOD & WELFARE:**

Barbara Teitelbaum – Wished everyone a Happy & Healthy Holiday Season.

Marion Cleaver – Stay safe in the New Year.

Pat Singer announced that BNA is giving out test kits and masks on Thursday at their office. There will be a vaccine bus in front of the bank to vaccinate 5-11 year olds.

Jeff Sanoff – Happy and Healthy New Year to all.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Motion made by Joe Corace, seconded by Bernie Kaufman to approve minutes as submitted.

VOTE: In Favor: 37

Opposed: 0

Abstention: 0

Motion carried. Roll call on file at C.B. office.

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