



THE CITY OF NEW YORK COMMUNITY BOARD 3  
MINUTES OF THE  
MONDAY, JUNE 22, 2020  
COMMUNITY BOARD VIRTUAL MEETING

**In Attendance:**

**Members Present:**

Felicia Alexander, Monique Antoine, Tywan Anthony, Anthony Buissereth, Michael Catlyn, Ivy Gamble-Cobb, Evelyn Collier, Taina Evans, Marc Abou-Faissal, Richard Flateau, Keith Forest, Gregory Glasgow, Shia Greenfeld, Mary Jemison-Head, Abitzel Robinson-Hobson, Oma Holloway, Everett Hughes, Victor Iroh, Keisha Jerryman, Edna Johnson, Dr. Kerliene Johnson, Lisa Lewis, Marion Little, Ellen Miller, Kenneth Mbonu, Melissa Plowden-Norman, C. Doris Pinn, Christine Parker, Simone Pratt, Annalee Reid, Karen Rhau, Miari Roberts, Wendy Robinson, Stacey Ruffin, Suzette Sheppard, Jamella Swift, Alice Walton, Rev. Dr. Robert Waterman, TJ Wilson

**Members Absent/Excused:** Babatunde Akowe, Dr. Kim Best, Lillian Bowman, Carroll “Rusty” Fields, Sharon Forbes, Dr. Debra Lamb, Hardy “Joe” Long, Dovie Matthews, Santina Payton, Carolyn Richburg, Douglas Williams

**Elected Officials/Reps:**

Hon. Robert Cornegy, Shelton Jones – Hon. Eric Gonzalez, Karen Cherry – Hon. Erik Dilan

**REMARKS FROM THE CHAIRPERSON – Richard Flateau**

Mr. Flateau discussed the many fireworks complaints. There were 27 complaints more than last year compared to this year. He stated that he sent a letter to both commanding officers of the 79<sup>th</sup> and 81<sup>st</sup> precincts requesting that flyers be posted to let residents know that it is illegal. He added that he attended a press conference with Borough President Adams and Councilman Cornegy to address the matter.

On Tuesday, June 16<sup>th</sup>, there were several shootings on Malcolm X Blvd and Chauncey Street. Deputy Inspector Glynn of the 81<sup>st</sup> Precinct has posted additional officers and provided lighting.

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF ELECTED OFFICIALS & COMMUNITY PARTNERS**

Deputy Inspector William Glynn stated that they have received a high volume calls in reference to the illegal fireworks. He is trying a more holistic approach by placing signage and more patrol cars. If necessary violations will be issued, arrests will be a last resort.

Shootings are up significantly in the 81<sup>st</sup> precinct. There are 15 shootings already this year compared to seven last year.

Deputy Inspector Skretch reported overall crime is down in the 79<sup>th</sup> precinct however, burglaries are up. There are a few hot spots: Armstrong Houses, Gates Avenue between Tompkins and Marcy Avenues and 335 Vernon Avenue. He provided his cell phone number 917-573-4231.

Leon Reid, Brooklyn Job Corp. stated that they are testing the staff and continuing their recruitment efforts. They should be back in office by Monday, July 6<sup>th</sup>.

Sharonnie Perry gave an update on Interfaith Medical Center. The hospital is open for visiting, any questions, she can be reached at 718-637-7812.

## **DISTRICT MANAGER’S REPORT – Henry L. Butler**

All polls will be open from 6:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m., however, there may be delays due to trains not running until 5:00 a.m.

Phase II will allow restaurants to open with outside seating until Tuesday, September 8<sup>th</sup>.

Additionally, he read a report from Parks Commissioner Marty Maher on the state of the parks. Boys & Girls High School track is now open.

### **I. INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION**

#### **A. Education & Youth Committee:**

Dr. Reginald Blake, and Mary Anne Woody, Educators at NYC Technical College gave a report on a Heat Index Survey that they are conducting in Bedford Stuyvesant. They are working with Marlon Rice at Magnolia Tree Earth Center to study the effects of heat wave and the urban heat island effect in Bedford-Stuyvesant.

It was reported that urban communities hold heat longer. This survey will help in creating programs to mitigate the effects of rising temperature in urban communities like Bedford-Stuyvesant. They asked everyone to fill out the survey.

### **II. PUBLIC HEARING**

#### **A. Transportation, Sanitation, Environment Committee:**

Community Board 3 held a Public Hearing regarding the Black Lives Matter Mural on Fulton Street between Brooklyn and Marcy Avenues and the summer street closures.

Gregory Glasgow, Committee Chair stated that the Board was told that the mural would be installed and displayed for one week now the street will be closed for the entire summer. There was a longer discussion regarding the length of time of the “Black Lives Matter” mural and the impact it is having on the businesses.

Lynette Battle, representing the Bedford-Stuyvesant Gateway BID stated that businesses are upset because their garbage is not getting picked up by the private carting services, they are not getting commercial deliveries, and seniors are unable to access the bus.

Councilman Robert Cornegy was on hand to answer questions on the topic. He stated that he was willing to provide discretionary funds to not-for-profit organizations like Block by Block and the DOE Fund to assist with the sanitation aspect. He added that the mural will add more foot traffic to the area. The mural will provide programs from Restoration.

**III. COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Robert James announced that he will be starting a small business

**IV. ROLL CALL**

There were 39 members present and 11 absent.

**V. COMMITTEE UPDATES & RESOLUTIONS**

An application for an Alcohol Beverage Control License was tabled at the Monday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, Board meeting for Vibe LLC. The Economic Development Committee recommended given a letter of support to Vibe LLC. A motion was made by Edna Johnson and seconded by Gregory Glasgow.

[Vote for Vibe LLC](#)

**VI. CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT – Richard Flateau**

Mr. Flateau informed the new members that they are required to select two committees. He added that there will be training for new members during the summer. More information to follow.

**VII. ACCEPTANCE OF THE JUNE 1, 2020 MINUTES**

A motion to accept the minutes was made by Gregory Glasgow and seconded by Felicia Alexander.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by,  
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August 8, 2020

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August 9, 2020