

**BROOKLYN COMMUNITY BOARD 6**  
**PUBLIC SAFETY/ENV PROT/PERMITS/LICENSES COMMITTEE**  
**OCTOBER 25, 2010**

**PRESENT:**

T. ALEXANDER	P. BLAKE	M. DEPALMA
D. KUMMER	J. LODGE	R. LOHIER
S. MILLER	T. MISKEL	G. REILLY
M. SCOTT	M. SHAMES	M. SILVERMAN
L. SONES	B. STOLTZ	

**EXCUSED:**

J. DRESSLER	M. KENTON
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**GUESTS:**

A. DELISI - REP. FOR HON. DANIEL SQUADRON, STATE SENATOR.		
K. CLARKE – NYC DEPT. OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION		
M. HOLSTEIN	M. PAGANO	M. KLEIN
J. EDELSTEIN	B. APPEL	L. BOWSTEAD
G. KELLY	J. MUIR	B. SCOTTO
M. WEISS	S. INGRAM	E. PARADIS

\*\*\* MINUTES \*\*\*

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm. Gary Reilly, Co-Chair reviewed the rules, regulations and procedures governing committee participation for the committee members and guests.

**Progress report from the representatives of the Department of Environmental Protection on the ongoing Gowanus Canal Facilities Upgrade project that began in Fall 2009.**

Kevin Clarke of the NYC Department of Environmental Protection was present and gave a report on the progress of the project.

- Gowanus Canal – SD class water body must support fish survival 3.0 mg/l.
- Flushing tunnel – Change two pump system. Estimated completion date is May 2013.
- Pump Station – increased from 20 to 30 million gallons a day.
- Force Main – new force main inside flushing tunnel. 34% reduction in CSO events. Temporary oxygenation system now in place.

Butler Street – construction of new building and renovation of existing buildings from May 2010 to June 2013.

Degraw/Tompkins Place – reduced to one lane for traffic from May 2010 to December 2012.

Degraw/Tiffany Place at Columbia Street – No shut down at Columbia Street. Detour in place between Columbia Street and Tiffany Place from May 2010 to December 2012.

Questions from the committee:

Q. Mark Kolman – How is the oxygenation system working – seems “unclean” and silty?

A. D.O. is very high – average 3.0 mg/l.

Q. Steve Miller – Please explain about the 30% reduction of CSO?

A. We are increasing capacity of force main from 20-30.

Q. Gary Reilly – How much capacity is at Red Hook? Could it handle the increased flow from the Gowanus?

A. It is possible that during extreme events some of the discharge could be diverted to the East River.

Q. Guest – Can we relocate the George Washington monument to a public place? Sponge Park at Degraw.

A. Please write a letter to the DEP commissioner.

A motion was made to request that DEP take community input to determine a publically accessible location for the George Washington monument to the Battle of Brooklyn,

**MOTION APPROVED: UNANIMOUSLY**

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned.

The minutes were submitted by James Lodge