

**COMMUNITY BOARD SIX
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
COBBLE HILL COMMUNITY MEETING ROOM
JANUARY 10, 2011**

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE:

PRESENT:

T. ALEXANDER	B. ATKINS	R. BASHNER
J. BERNARD	S. BURZIO	G. KELLY
M. KOLMAN	D. KUMMER	N. LALLI
R. LUFTGLASS	T. MISKEL	G. REILLY
E. SPICER	M. SHAMES	S. TURET
D.C. VITO		

EXCUSED:

R. LEVINE

ABSENT:

P. FLEMING	G. O'CONNELL	D. REISS
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GUESTS:

***** MINUTES *****

A motion was made by Tom Miskel and seconded by Richard Bashner to adopt the minutes of the meeting held on November December 7th, 2010.

VOTE: 10.....YEAS 0.....NAYS 2.....ABS

MOTION PASSED

Board Member Attendance Review.

Joseph Igneri – Mr. Igneri did attend December's Board Meeting so the motion to conditionally remove Board Member Joseph Igneri from the Community Board for failure to attend general meetings is moot.

Craig Hammerman reported that Mr. Igneri had spoken to former First Vice Chair Ray Lohier at the last general meeting and provided him with personal reasons for his absences.

Rick Luftglass said that Mr. Igneri has met the criteria the Executive had set out for him.

Suzanne Turet asked if Mr. Igneri had indicated that his troubles are behind him.

Craig said that Mr. Igneri expressed to Ray a desire to stay on the board. A revised letter will be mailed to him. Craig explained that after four absences a warning is issued and after five absences a Notice of Review is issued. Mr. Igneri will receive one of those depending on whether he attends the next meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Chair asked our District Manager to provide a status report on the snow removal response after the Boxing Day blizzard. Time Square was cleared of snow however the outer boroughs were not. Various Community Boards sent in information to the City Council, answering a questionnaire circulated to the 59 boards, to gauge the city's response. A Snow Emergency was not declared. It is likely that some of the problems encountered would have been avoided had an emergency been declared.

The district office received from 40 to 50 calls from concerned community members on the first 2 days of the storm. NY Methodist Hospital needed their streets cleared. The local Sanitation workers were very responsive however buses, police vehicles, cars and EMT vehicles were all stuck in the snow. Leroy and Craig will sit down with Sanitation to debrief with them on what took place. The City Council hearing on the city's response is taking place on January 10th. One question we have is whether personnel and equipment from the outer boroughs were redeployed to Manhattan. There are rumors of a "slow down" in the Department of Sanitation. The Mayor and Deputy Mayor were out of town at the time of the storm.

Daniel Kummer said that Brad Lander's report is definitely worth the read, and that the response in the CB12 (Boro Park) portion of his district was particularly bad. He said that cars got stuck in the snow preventing plows from accessing certain streets. Daniel asked if there is anything the board should do?

The consensus is to wait to find out what we learn from the ongoing hearings. If it is revealed that there was a redeployment of snow removal personnel and equipment to Manhattan then we have an issue.

NEW BUSINESS

The DOT will attend the next Transportation meeting (January 20th) to present their findings on the impact the Prospect Park West bike lane has had on the street. This will be an Informational meeting, which will likely be followed up with a separate public hearing. The committee and Board's actions will be based on the discussions that ensue. One question for the hearing is, now that the DOT has decided that the trial period for the bike lane is over, should the bike lane remain?

COMMITTEE TOPICS

Rick Luftglass, Budget Chair, suggested that as committee chairs consider issues for their committee that they relook at the annual budget priorities and standing budget requests to see whether any of those requests would be appropriate for followup.

A motion was made by Suzanne Turet and seconded by Mark Kolman to adjourn the meeting.

Minutes were submitted by Nica Lalli on January 10, 2011.