### BROOKLYN COMMUNITY BOARD 6 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE COBBLE HILL COMMUNITY MEETING ROOM SEPTEMBER 9, 2013

# EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE: PRESENT:

D. KUMMER P. BELLENBAUM J. BERNARD N. COX P. FLEMING G. KELLY M. KOLMAN A. KRASNOW **R. LEVINE** S. LONIAL R. LUFTGLASS T. MISKEL G. REILLY M. SHAMES M. SILVERMAN B. SOLOTAIRE S. TURET

**EXCUSED:** R. BASHNER

E. SHIPLEY

### **ABSENT:**

L. SONES

### \*\*\* **MINUTES** \*\*\*

Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm.

Welcome remarks by newest members – Matt Silverman, Public Safety; Ariel Krasnow, Housing; Norman Cox, Co-Chair, Parks and Sayar Lonial, Co-Chair, Transportation.

Motion was made by Tom Miskel to adopt minutes of the July 8, 2013 meeting and seconded by Norman Cox.

# VOTE: UNANIMOUS with one abstention (Glenn Kelly excused) MOTION PASSED

#### Attendance review by Tom Miskel

Rosemary Graham had not signed in but has attended. Will ask her to sign in, in future and should e-mail specifying dates she attended so the record can be corrected.

Dolly Williams – missed four meetings but was at the most recent but didn't sign in.

Greg O'Connell, Jr. missed 7 meetings. He sent an e-mail to Tom saying will send a detailed explanation. Committee will table a decision until we receive his explanation.

Mark Kolman missed 5 meetings. He was in attendance tonight and explained he has had unexpected personal and professional issues but will be diligent about future meetings.

### Housing Preservation and Development (HPD) Lot at 503 President Street.

Craig Hammerman heard from local residents that a community garden was coming in. HPD is closing a garden in CB2 at Bergen Street, Boerum Hill. HPD considers it a transfer – not a new garden. There are residents who are opposed to it.

Resident concerns:

- Lack of community input
- Control/access
- Security
- Privacy
- Rodent control
- Litter
- Noise

Normally HPD notifies the Community Board who invites them in to present to the Parks Committee.

A motion was made by Bob Levine to request that HPD come to the Community Board to treat this as a new garden, explain the process, introduce the gardeners and give us a chance to review as if it were new. The motion was seconded.

### MOTION APPROVED: UNANIMOUSLY

Friendly amendment, Suzanne Turet added that we ask HPD not move on this until the Board has had a chance to review review.

## COMMUNITY DISTRICT MAP CHANGES

Every 10 years, in the year that ends in 3 and by on October 1<sup>st</sup>, the Mayor proposes a new map to the City Council with possible changes to the Community District maps based on decennial Census and any operational concerns of the City.

- For us, an area of particular attention is the Barclays Center/Atlantic Yards footprint which straddles Community Boards 2, 6 and 8.
- The Police precinct boundaries have changed because of Barclays Center.
- Community Boards 2 and 8 have been discussing. One concept being considered by CB2 is to keep the Community Boards' boundaries coterminal with the police precinct boundaries.
- CB8 would like to keep open rail yards and is not suggesting supporting coterminality

District Manager Craig Hammerman presented a series of maps with various community district mapping scenarios (existing conditions, map showing new police precinct boundaries, ideas from CB2 and CB8). The District Manager also prepared a table highlighting the similarities and differences between the various scenarios.

Motion: The Brooklyn CB6 takes a presumptive default position favoring coterminality unless a compelling argument is made to consider something different, and that the boundaries generally respect neighborhood integrity.

After a great deal of discussion and consideration Suzanne Turet withdrew her motion based on consensus that we need more information before making a resolution. What the committee would like specifically is more information related to the resulting population addition and how that would affect Councilmanic apportionment on the Community Board, further input from the Police Department on how the new police precinct boundaries are working, input from the Department of Sanitation and other agencies on what impacts they perceive from a new district boundary.

The committee did recognize that it is possible that our District Manager may be consulted, as the Administration is required to do prior to the release of their proposed map, and did want him to strongly convey the thoughts of the committee even in the absence of a formal resolution of the full board. The committee does intend to take this matter up further, hopefully with additional information to consider and/or in response to any proposals put out by the Administration. This is an important subject and the Community Board will need to ultimately adopt a position in this matter.

The Executive Committee meeting ended at 8:55PM.

Minutes were taken by Rick Luftglass, submitted on September 9, 2013.

The Executive Committee then proceeded to the Friends of Brooklyn CB6, Inc. Board of Directors' meeting. Discussion included fundraising needs and strategies and the annual Holiday Party.