

**BROOKLYN COMMUNITY BOARD 6
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 6, 2017**

Attendance:

J. Armer	P
R. Bashner	P
P. Bellenbaum	A
P. Blake	P
P. Fleming	A
G. Kelly	P
A. Krasnow	P

R. Levine	E
S. Lonial	P
R. Luftglass	E
E. McClure	P
T. Miskel	E
M. Racioppo	P

M. Shames	P
M. Silverman	P
S. Turet	P
R. Underwood	P

P = present, E = excused, A = absent

***** MINUTES *****

Board Member Attendance Review

Kara Gurl – She began college in the Fall and a mandatory class created a conflict for the first semester. The Spring semester is clear. She does not anticipate any further conflicts.

Suzanne Turet said that Kara is “a good voice” to have on her committee. No motions were made, and no further action taken.

Borough President Eric Adams has raised the possibility of saying the Pledge of Allegiance at Community Board meetings.

One half of Brooklyn community boards say it (predominantly the Southern Brooklyn Community Boards) and one half do not. The consensus is that it should remain the individual decision of each Community Board.

Presentation and discussion of final report on the NYSERDA Red Hook Community MicroGrid Project.

Gita Nandan from the Red Hook NY Rising Committee, one of our partners on the grant, made the presentation.

NY Prize Competition – 8 months – many proposals: community with consultants

- Friends of Brooklyn Community Board 6
- Red Hook NY Rising Committee
- IMG Rebel

- Smarter Grid Solutions

MicroGrid: discrete energy services decentralized. (NYU, hospital, campus-microgrid).

- Assumptions made – emerging energy, education.
- Coordination of many efforts
- NYCHA microgrid – campus-microgrid. Only one microgrid for Red Hook so the two microgrids will coordinate.
- Solarize and other systems – sharing not combining grids
- Cultural emergency facilities – schools, library

Working with Con Ed Utility Grid integrating two types of distribution (mesh and radial).

Community based solar system:

- Rooftops – (Thor, Pioneer Works)
- Anaerobic digesters (Quadrozzi, Beer/spirits) – brewery mash, food waste

Ownership - NYC, Con Ed, 3rd party?

\$15 million for just the underground cable for micro-grid.

Next Step:

- Did not pursue 2nd grant
- Figure out governance
- Rise NY building based microgrid will
- DCAS is working on reducing/augmenting power on library

NY PRIZE, NYSEDA: Con Ed is a difficult partner. No capacity to organize microgrid work at very large grid.

Best bet for this project is to focus on specific buildings and hook up when city comes along. Upstate does do microgrid – NYC doesn't do it yet. NYC will not become truly resilient until it does. Micro-grids will not make progress until NYC gets on board. Con Ed must come to the table and figure out how to incorporate micro-grids.

What can CB6 do?

Get to Con Ed – calls? Resolutions?

What about critical building?

DCAS – schools, library, gyms, Fire, Police – get individual buildings to get power services.

What about the pilot project for one corner of Red Hook – to get Con Ed to do it?

What about capital grants?

REDC, Borough President

Discussion on proposed Resolution regarding President's Executive Order on Immigration

Matt Silverman: recusing from discussion regarding resolution on President's executive order due to employment.

Resolution: a few edits

- 3-4 grammatical changes, wording
- Remove identifying District Judge
- Will go to the President
- Cc: all electeds ++

Jerry Armer makes motion to approve Resolution, seconded by Richard Bashner

VOTE: 11.....YEAS 0.....NAYS 1.....ABSTENTIONS
MOTION APPROVED

Friends of Brooklyn Community Board 6

Executive Director Craig Hammerman provided updates to the Friends of Brooklyn CB6, Inc. Board of Directors on the following grants:

Red Hook Check-in Project (\$15,000)

- Peer-based assistance network to check-in on vulnerable population
- Red Hook check-in
- Grant work has been completed

Senator Jesse Hamilton discretionary grant (\$25,000): wants to give it to a group that will do good things.

What could Friends of Brooklyn CB6 do?

Pilot project – filming/live stream community board meetings.

Proposal: to share community board meetings with the public. Pilot so that all 59 community boards would be doing the same thing.

What does the city do now to cover meetings?

Reimbursable contract – Friends of Community Board 6 can cover. Suggestions were made to explore use of college interns (NYU), BRIC.

How will this be implemented?

- Try to match existing government systems.

What about simple streaming? (Like Council Member Lander's coverage of our BikeShare hearing).

- Not all spaces have WiFi or connectivity
- But – what is the best system and one that is replicable?

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

