

**MINUTES OF COMMUNITY BOARD 11
GENERAL BOARD MEETING**

June 13, 2022

Via Zoom Teleconference

Michael Budabin – Chair

PRESENT AT MEETING

CB 11 Staff:

Joseph Marziliano – District Manager

Christina Coutinho – Community Associate

Jane Bentivenga – Community Coordinator

Elected Officials and/or Representatives Present

Katherina Thompson

Representing Queens Borough President Richards

Maria Di Leone

Representing Congress Member Grace Meng

Joyce Chow

Representing Council Member Linda Lee

Jon Gallo

Representing State Senator Liu

111th Precinct:

Police Officer Luigi Galano – Community Affairs Unit

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Chair, Michael Budabin.

Mr. Budabin led the audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

PO Galano gave the monthly crime statistics for the district. He also spoke regarding homelessness in the district. A question-and-answer period followed.

Katherina Thompson announced the upcoming events sponsored by the Borough President.

Maria Di Leone gave an update on issues that Congress Member Grace Meng is working on.

Jon Gallo gave an update on issues that State Senator John Liu is working on.

Joyce Chow spoke regarding the events hosted by the Council Member Linda Lee.

Laura Lee, representing the Korean Presbyterian Church, said that they are having a donation drive for medical supplies to be sent to the Dominican Republic.

Victoria Kowanetz, Community Library Manager, North Hills Branch, spoke regarding the events offered by the library this summer.

Maroua Righi, Civilian Complaint Review Board, stated that their offices are now open to the public.

Carin Bail, a resident of Hollis Hills, spoke regarding traffic through residential streets caused by GPS directions. She asked if GPS applications could be changed to keep traffic on Union Turnpike. She also requested that Stewart Road between 219 Street and Union Turnpike be converted to a one-way operation. Mr. Budabin said this should be discussed at an upcoming Transportation Committee meeting.

ROLL CALL

Members Present

Adriana Aviles, Michael Budabin, Jessica Burke, Susan Cerezo, Justin Chew, Carmen Collado, Victor Dadras, Paul DiBenedetto, Mary Donahue, Henry Euler, C. Omarr Evans, Mario Ferazzoli, Michelle Fields, Jack Fried, Albert Galatan, Joan Garippa, Roy Giusetti, Michael Golia, Rosemarie Guidice, Bernard Haber, Christine Haider, Laura James, Mohan Jethwani, John Kelly, Jena Lanzetta, Yosef Lee, Robert Liatto, Fleur Martino, George Mihaltzes, Eileen Miller, Douglas Montgomery, Akshar Patel, Stephen Pivawer, Christina Scherer, Jyothi Sriram, Seena Sweet, Sam Wong

Members Absent

Dawn Anatra, Lana Bind, Sharon Chin, Lourdas December, Elias Fillas, Chris Fuentes-Padilla, George Hadjiconstantinou, Yosef Lee, Karen Mazza, Allan Palzer, Wendy Pelle-Ber, Stephan Popa, Gunjan Rastogi, Benjamin Turner

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

A motion was made to accept the minutes of the May 2, 2022, meeting by Mr. Euler- The motion was seconded by Mrs. Garippa. Ms. Burke requested additional wording regarding Mr. Popa comment's on climate change. Mr. Budabin said Mr. Popa is not present at tonight's meeting to approve, therefore, no vote will be taken to amend the minutes. He added that meeting minutes are a general overview. A roll call vote was taken resulting in 34 in favor, 1 present and 1 abstention. The minutes were approved as written.

(In-Favor - Adriana Aviles, Michael Budabin, Susan Cerezo, Justin Chew, Carmen Collado, Victor Dadras, Paul DiBenedetto, Mary Donahue, Henry Euler, C. Omarr Evans, Mario Ferazzoli, Michelle Fields, Jack Fried, Albert Galatan, Joan Garippa, Roy Giusetti, Michael Golia, Rosemarie Guidice, Bernard Haber, Christine Haider, Laura James, Mohan Jethwani, John Kelly, Jena Lanzetta, Yosef Lee, Robert Liatto, Fleur Martino, George Mihaltzes, Eileen Miller, Douglas Montgomery, Akshar Patel, Stephen Pivawer, Christina Scherer, Seena Sweet, Sam Wong - Present – Jessica Burke – Abstention – Jyothi Sriram)

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Mr. Budabin reviewed the dates of the upcoming Committee meetings. Mr. Budabin announced the passing of Mandingo Tshaka.

BOARD MEMBER NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Euler gave an update for the open Board of Standards and Appeals cases. He also spoke regarding the rezoning application for Mizumi. Mr. Euler said the Borough President had a virtual meeting to discuss the application and approved the portion of the application that effects the Mizumi property.

Mrs. Haider said she attended the Borough Board meeting that discussed a non-smoking resolution which passed.

PUBLIC HEARING

Street co-naming of 206 Street between 48 Avenue and Northern Blvd. in honor of Rev. Dr. Samuel B. Joubert. The Transportation Committee made a recommendation to approve the co-naming with an additional letter of support. A letter of support was received. Rev. Dr. Samuel B. Joubert. was the pastor for 47 years. He was involved in several programs and served the community in many ways. A motion was made by Mrs. Miller to approve. The motion was seconded by Mr. Euler. There was discussion on the motion stating that the proper information was gathered. A roll call vote was taken resulting in 34 in favor, 1 present and 1 abstention. The motion carried.

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Mrs. Haider discussed corrections to the Transportation Committee minutes. Mr. Dadras said this should be discussed at the next Transportation Committee. Mr. Budabin said this would have to be scheduled, the next Committee meeting has a full agenda.

Mr. DiBenedetto asked Mr. Marziliano to schedule a Parks and By-Laws Committee meeting.

Month Ahead

Mr. Budabin thanked everyone for their service to the Board. Especially under these current circumstances.

Ms. Burke made a request regarding budget monies. Mr. Budabin said this is not to be discussed at the adjournment part of the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:46 PM