



The City of New York

Queens Community Board 11

Serving the Communities of Auburndale, Bayside, Douglaston, Hollis Hills
Little Neck and Oakland Gardens

Michael Budabin, **Chairperson** / Joseph Marziliano, **District Manager**

TO: All Board Members
FROM: Eileen Miller, Health and Human Services Committee Chair
DATE: January 25, 2021

On January 21, 2021, the Health and Human Services Committee held a Zoom teleconference meeting to discuss Bay Community Volunteer Ambulance Corps.

Present

Michael Budabin, Board Chair
Eileen Miller, Committee Chair
Christine Haider, 1st Vice Chair
Henry Euler, 3rd Vice Chair
Albert Galatan, Committee Member
Lourdes December, Committee Member
Carin Bail, Committee Member
Fleur Martino, Committee Member
Beryl Bain-Bush, Non-Board Committee Member

Bay Community Volunteer Ambulance Corps.

Mike Lyons, President
Brian Sheinberg, Vice President
Vincent Chu, Director
Jordan Chin
Ashley Kim, Little Neck Ambulance Corps.

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Joseph Marziliano, District Manager
Christina Coutinho, Community Associate

Mr. Marziliano opened the meeting with discussing the opening a COVID-19 vaccination site in northeast Queens. Currently, the closest site is located near 164 Street. Mr. Marziliano said that he is working on various locations that will be presented to the Dept. of Health. Discussion ensued on the vaccination supply shortage. Sites are not opening because of the lack of supplies. Mr. Budabin suggested the Committee take a vote to forward a formal letter for a close location; this way then the vaccination is replenished there is a location in motion. Mr. Euler suggested a full vote at the February Board Meeting. Mrs. Haider suggested to give a report at the general meeting but forward a letter as soon as possible; this is a medical emergency. Mrs. Haider made a motion that a letter be sent as soon possible for a vaccination site in northeast Queens. Mr. Euler seconded the motion.

The Committee voted unanimously in favor. A letter will be drafted and forwarded to the NYC Dept. of Health.

The next topic was a presentation by Mr. Lyons requesting a letter of support for the Bay Community Volunteer Ambulance Corps. to expand their services to the Bayside community. Mr. Lyons stated that they are located at Fort Totten and serve North Bayside, East Clearview and Ft. Totten. They are looking to work out of a location on 42 Avenue once construction is completed. They operate as basic level EMT units. They are staffed 7 days a week with an average of 150 calls a year. Mr. Budabin asked if there would be a conflict since the Committee endorsed the Glen Oaks Volunteer Ambulance to expanded into Bayside. Mr. Lyons stated that there are a few ambulance corps. that overlap in Queens. He does not think this would be a conflict with the Glen Oaks Volunteer Corp. Discussion ensued on patient security, language translation and how each patient has the right to request a hospital of their choice within area range. Mrs. Haider made a motion to forward a letter of support. The motion was seconded by Mr. Euler. The Committee voted unanimously in favor. A letter will be drafted and forwarded.

The meeting adjourned at 8:34 pm.