Queens Community Board 13



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Bryan J. Block Chair

Mark McMillan
District Manager

Donovan RichardsBorough President

Maricela Cano
Director of Community Boards

GENERAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
January 24, 2022
Zoom Virtual Meeting

Attendance

Present:

Angela Augugliaro; Corey Bearak; Alain Berrouet; Bryan Block; Kyle Bragg; Barbara Clements; Sylvia Cothia; Marissa Cronin; Tanya Cruz; Delroy Dawkins; Bess DeBetham; James Delaney; Stephanie Delia; Charles Farruggia; Lorraine Gittens-Bridges; Robert Glover; Richard Hellenbrecht; Fay Hill; Vernal Holder; Bonnie Huie; Mohamood Ishmael; Antony Kuncheria; Andy Laine; Jonathan Logan; Michael Mallia; Sophia Mighty; Kangela Moore; Curlene Nelson; Marcia O'Brien; Michael O'Keeffe; Cinnamon Paltoo; Nagassar Ramgarib; Anup Ramnauth; Steven Taylor; Lourdes Villanueva-Hartrick; Pritpal Singh Walia; Jackie Wilson

Absent:

Isa Avery; Alexandra Brathwaite; Derrick DeFlorimonte; Seymour Finkelstein; Rhonda Kontner; Peter Richards; Patricia Robinson; Ashok Satkalmi; Perminder Thiara; Mathew Thomas; Jermaine Washington; Nantasha Williams (R)

Meeting Called to Order at 7:35 PM

Pledge of Allegiance led by Board Member Michael Mallia.

The Chair called for a Moment of Silence to remember Police Officer Wilbert Mora who was killed in a shooting in Harlem. Chair Block also stated he called PBA President Patrick Lynch's office to express condolences on behalf of the board.

Chair's Report

- Details events and meetings attended since last General Board meeting in October.
 - o BM Michael Mallia motions to accept Chair Report.

- o Seconded by BM Marcia O'Brien.
- o Unanimous "yes" by voice vote.

DM Report (written)

- BM James Delaney motions to accept DM Report as written.
- Seconded by BM Michael Mallia.
- Unanimous "yes" by voice vote.

Elected Officials

Nathaniel Hezekiah – Congressman Gregory Meeks' Office
Nickolas Perry – NYC Comptroller Brad Landers' Office
Rokeya Akhter – Queens District Attorney Melinda Katz's Office
Kahleel Bragg – Queens Borough President's Office
Akshar Patel – State Senator John Liu's Office
Ari Iniss – State Senator Leroy Comrie's Office
Laura Wharton – State Senator James Sanders Jr.'s Office
Irene Cheung – Assembly Member Ed Braunstein's Office
Norman Jones – Council Member Selvena Brooks-Powers' Office

Roll Call

December 2021 General Board Meeting Minutes:

• Unanimous voice vote of approval.

Committee Reports

Seniors, Social Services & Special Needs - Committee Chair Kangela Moore:

> Dr. Shango Blake from NYC Speaks: He spoke about giving a voice to Black and Brown people through surveys.

Public Safety - Committee Chair Michael O'Keeffe:

Lists approvals for liquor licenses.

Parks & Environment Committee – Committee Chair Fay Hill:

- > Written report detailing intense interest of possible dog run in Brookville Park.
- > Transforming a street bed into a community garden next to the entrance of Idlewild Park.

Land Use Committee - Committee Chair Michael Mallia:

PowerPoint Presentation by Bill Perkins, Southeastern Queens Zoning Preservation Task Force on the 146-93 Guy R. Brewer Property.

Transportation Committee – Committee Chair Mohamood Ishmael:

- > Bike racks are being installed curbside by DOT along commercial strips.
- Lively discussion on MTA bus issues.
- Parking issues on the Queens side near UBS Arena.
- > Speeding on South Conduit Avenue.
- Traffic congestion around P.S. 176 in Cambria Heights.
- > Request for removal of speed hump in Glen Oaks near Northwell LIJ Hospital.

BM Richard Hellenbrecht makes motion to adjourn @ 9:39 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark McMillan
District Manager
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