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CB 6 MEETING MINUTES JUNE 12, 2019

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S. CHU	J. KEVELSON
A. COHEN	S. KING
C. COLLETT	P. KUMAR
J. DERESZEWSKI	M. LASTER
A. DIAZ	J. MAKIN
H. DIMITRIADIS	J. MEDINA
E. FELDER	Y. MEIROV
G. FERRERAS	S. METZ
J. GOLANT	P. MORGAN

E. MURRAY
R. NEKTALOV
E. NEWTON
S. ROLNICK
H. SCHONAUT
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J. SILVA
M. SILVERSTEIN
S. WANDERMAN
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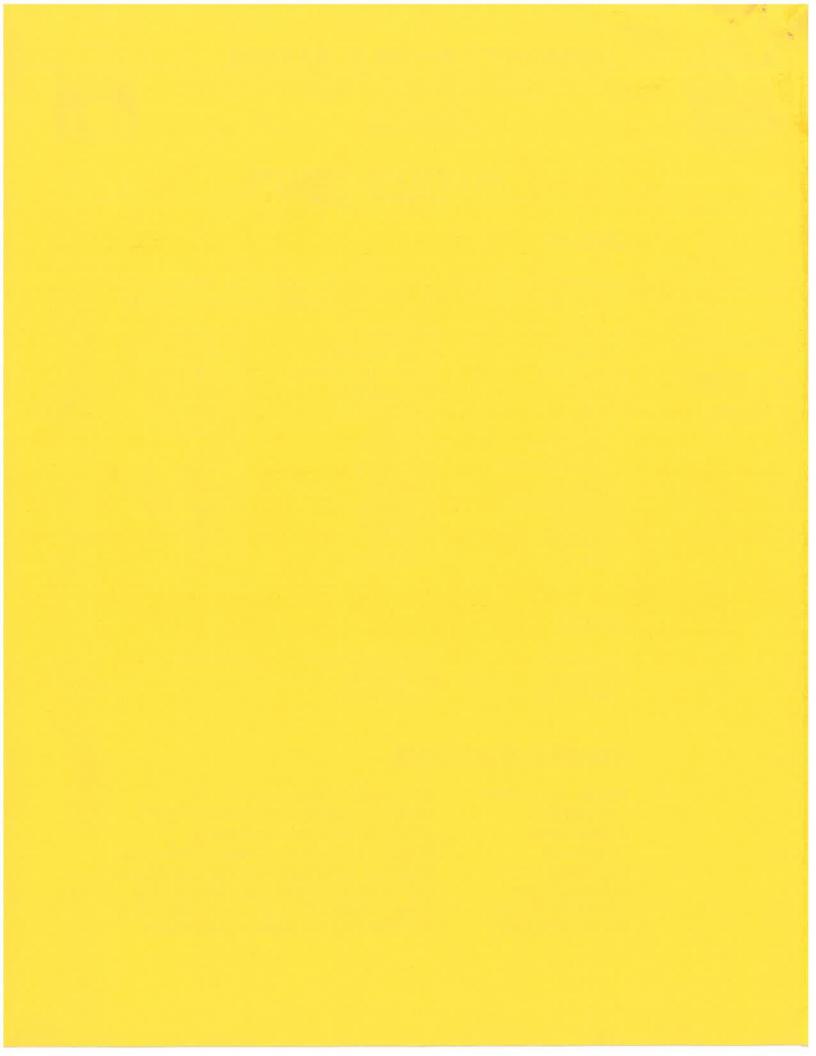
ABSENT

G. CARLSON E. KALENDAREV
K. FAKIRA R. MEHRRA
J. HENNESSY K. NEUMANN

R. SILVER

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

CB 6 DISTRICT MANAGER FRANK GULLUSCIO J. PERRICONE OFFICE OF BOROUGH PRESIDENT KATZ OFFICE OF SENATOR ADDABBO S. SPELLMAN OFFICE OF COUNCIL MEMBER KOSLOWITZ D. ARONOV R. MALONE OFFICE OF ASSEMBLY MEMBER ROSENTHAL OFFICE OF ASSEMBLY MEMBER HEVESI K. WISNIEWSKI COMMANDING OFFICER – 112TH PRECINCT CAPTAIN CERMELI 112TH PRECINCT COMMUNITY AFFAIRS P.O. JOHN MASER



COMMUNITY BOARD 6

Gail Gordon, 1st Vice Chair of CB 6 opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance in Chairman Hennessy's absence. Ms. Gordon held a moment of silence for Deputy Chief Steven Silks who passed away on June 4, 2019

MINUTES

The minutes of May 8, 2019 were accepted.

DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT

CB 6 sponsored 2 shredding events in June and they were well attended.

District Managers are preparing for Budget Consultations in September.

There will be a street Co-Naming for Aldelaide Connaughton, on June 23, 2019 at Queens Boulevard and 71 Road.

In addition, District Manager Gulluscio recognized that this year marks the 50th Anniversary of Stonewall and this month is Pride Month.

In response to a question from a member of the board, Frank informed the board that all NYC Community Board's received a one-time budget increase of \$42,500. It could be used for anything other than PS (Personnel Services). CB 6 utilized this money to hold community shredding events, upgrade computers and technology in the office and to help educate people become aware about Community Boards by handing out brochures, giveaways, etc.

Herb Schonhout thanked the staff for working to solve all issues he has sent in to the office.

NEW YORK CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT - 112TH PRECINCT

Captain Cermeli thanked the community for their support after the passing of Chief Silks.

Captain Cermeli reported that crime is down 25% for the month and 20% for the year. However, there was a bank robbery at the Chase Bank on Queens Boulevard on June 6, 2019. Also, there has been a pattern of phone snatchers on the subways. Be vigilant when texting / talking on your phone in the subways.

Captain Cermeli also reported that the 112th Precinct will be strictly enforcing failure to yield to pedestrian summonses. There has been an increase in pedestrians being struck in NYC. Drivers should remember that pedestrians have the right of way.

Last, Capt. Cermeli reminded everyone to lock windows and doors in homes, especially when you are out of town.

PRESENTATION BY JAYSON SIMBA, FESTIVAL OF CINEMA NYC

Jayson Simba announced that there will be a 10 day film festival coming to Forest Hills from Aug. 2 – Aug. 12 at the Midway Theater, with over 100 films of all genres from all over the world, including films from New York.

They would like the community to be involved. There will be events at the Queens Libraries, Queens Museum, etc. They will need volunteers for the event. Also, they will be doing various events around the community during the festival.

For more information, check out the website www.festivalofcinemanyc.com.

PRESENTATION BY FOREST HILLS VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE CORP.

Paul Marcel reported that the FHVAC is located on Metropolitan Avenue and has been in existence since 1971.

Mr. Marcel announced that they will be holding their Annual Run for Richie Motorcycle Run on September 8, 2019, in conjunction with the NYC Punishers, a law enforcement bike group. The run goes from Aqueduct Racetrack, in Queens to the World Trade Center, in Manhattan. There will also be a fundraiser on July 11, 2019, at the Deer Park Texas Roadhouse. If anyone is interested in participating, donating or sponsoring the event, they can contact the FHVAC at 718-793-2055.

Members of the FH Ambulance Corp Youth Corp had the following to say about the Organization and the Youth Corp:

- Members of youth corp. are ages 14-18
- They host community events such as: blood drives, first aid classes at the boys and girls club, night out against crime, etc.
- Participate in various EMS competitions around the area including the very competitive Pulse Check Competition. They have won many awards at these competitions
- Need community sponsorships to attend these competitions and are grateful for past sponsorships
- The youth corp. teaches many EMS skills including, CPR and First Aid, Trauma & Medical Assessment. This prepares members for future careers in the medical field

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE REPORT

Steve Goldberg, Chair of Planning & Zoning Committee reported that the Board received 2 applications.

1) 107-18 70th ROAD, 2019-84-BZ, ORANGETHEORY FITNESS
SPECIAL PERMIT APPLICATION TO PERMIT THE LEGALIZATION OF A
PHYSICAL CULTURE ESTABLISHMENT ON A PORTION OF THE EXISTING
BUILDING'S GROUND FLOOR AT THE PREMISES

Mr. Goldberg reported that this business is already open, but need this special permit to continue operating. The committee voted unanimously to approve this application. Motion to approve the application passed unanimously.

2) 112-06 71ST ROAD REZONING
PRIVATE APPLICATION BY DR. T PEDIATRICS PLLC REQUESTING A ZONING
MAP AMENDEMENT TO PERMIT THE LEGAL USE OF AN EXISTING MEDICAL
OFFICE

Richard Lobel, representative for the applicant reported that this is a request for a rezoning from R1-2A to a R3-2, but wouldn't allow for any additional building. This rezoning would allow for the use of a doctor's office at this location.

There was much discussion regarding the number of lots that will be affected by the re-zoning. Some members raised the suggestion that this re-zoning should only apply to the lot where the doctor's building is. This would be considered a spot zoning, which is possible. However, New York City Department of City Planning, along with the applicant, came up with these boundaries due to the fact that it would not allow the surrounding buildings to build any higher.

The majority of Committee Members voted to approve the application with the condition that the re-zoning only applies to the lot of the medical office, not the adjacent buildings. Motion to approve this recommendation passed 38 - In Favor, 4 - Against.

CONSUMER AFFAIRS COMMITTEE REPORT

Norman Leibowitz, Chair of Consumer Affairs Committee reported that the Board received 1 new liquor license application this month, Dylan's, Forest Hills. The applicant failed to appear before the committee, therefore the vote has been tabled until September.

CB 6 received the following liquor license renewals:

- 1. 5 Burro Café, 72-05 Austin Street, FH
- 2. 7-Eleven, 101-04 Metropolitan Ave., FH

- 3. Portofino Restaurant, Inc., 109-32 Ascan Ave., FH
- 4. Jack & Nellie's, 108-25 Ascan Avenue, FH
- 5. El Pollo Inka Peru II, Inc., 112-20 Queens Blvd., FH

The Committee had no objections, and a motion to approve all renewal applications passed unanimously on a voice vote.

CB 6 received an application for an alteration of an unenclosed sidewalk café consisting of 12 tables and 24 chairs at Antiochia Grill (Oba Grill) – 70-35 Austin Street, Forest Hills. They are requesting additional tables from 8 tables and 16 chairs. This is still less than the previous establishment had at that location.

The Committee had no objections, and a motion to approve this application passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

GOOD & WELFARE

NYS SENATOR JOSEPH P. ADDABBO, JR

Sarah Spellman announced Senator Addabbo will be sponsoring a Free Legal Assistance Mobile Center on June 15, 2019 from 10am – 3pm at 66-35 108th Street. Please call 718-497-1630 to schedule an appointment.

Ms. Spellman also reported that the senate recently passed the following bills: Modern Family Act, Abolishing Gay Panic Defense, LGBTQ Suicide Prevention Task Force, NYS Restoration of Honor Act, Gender Identity Data Collection.

NYC COUNCIL MEMBER KAREN KOSLOWITZ

David Aronov announced that it is budget time and Council Member Koslowitz and other Council Members are fighting against proposed budget cuts to libraries and senior programs.

Council Member Koslowitz will be hosting a community concert on Tuesday June 18 at 11:00am at Rego Park Seniors Club.

NYS ASSEMBLY MEMBER ANDREW HEVESI

Kevin Wisniewski, announced that Assembly Member Hevesi is working to pass the Child Trauma Response Bill, which provides services to children that were separated at the border last year.

NYS ASSEMBLY MEMBER DANIEL ROSENTHAL

Rick Malone, announced that Assembly Member Rosenthal will be holding an HPD Outreach Van on June 24, 2019 from 4pm-6pm at the intersection of Manton Street and Main Street, in Briarwood.

Heidi Chain reported that the 112th Precinct Community Council will be having their meeting on Wednesday June 19, 2019 at Russell Sage Junior High School. Also, National Night Out Against Crime will be on Aug. 6, 2019 at Macdonald Park.

Pat Morgan thanked the Community Board for recognizing the 50th Anniversary of Stonewall. Also, she spoke about the hate that is faced by LGBTQ individuals, especially young people.

Alexa Weitzman announced that there will be a Bubble party at Yellowstone Park on June 29, 2019 from 11am – 1pm.

Jean Silva, Flushing Meadows Corona Park Conservancy, announced that the dinosaur event that was held on June 2, 2019 was a success. She also mentioned that there is an app that can be used on the Pat Dolan Trail, which educates visitors about the "non humans" that are located in the trail.

Ethan Felder reminded CB 6 Members that executive board elections will take place in September and encouraged members to run for these positions.

Edwin Wong, Forest Hills Asian Association, announced that the Alzheimer's Association will be having a Queens kickoff fundraiser at Queens Bully on Tuesday June 18, 2019. The Alzheimer walk will be on Saturday September 28, 2019 at Flushing Meadows Corona Park.

Chris Collett, FH Community and Civic, announced that there will be a meeting on Monday June 17, 2019 at 7:30pm, Our Lady of Mercy Parish Hall regarding a Superfund Site at the Home Depot location. Department of Health and Department of Environmental Conservation will be present.

Ari Feldman reported that School District 28 received a grant for an integration plan in schools. He is arranging a meeting with parents in the district to come up with ideas for this plan. If anyone is interested in participating in this discussion, please contact him.

Barbara McGregor spoke to the Community Board regarding the possibility of Station Square being closed to vehicles. She is opposed to this because it would result in convoluted traffic patterns, delay emergency vehicles and cause an inconvenience. She feels that since the Station Square Renovations were funded mostly by public money, it should remain open to the public. She asked the Community Board to host a meeting with Fire, EMS, and other pertinent agencies that would be impacted by this closure.

Dr. Ellen Panzer announced that there will be a Community / School Garden at Forest Hills High School. This would be for community members that wish to grow things as well as an educational experience for the students. This Saturday, June 15, 2019, from 9:30am –

12:30pm, the beds will be started for the garden. They have received support and donations from many community organizations for this project.

Winnifred Lee, Grow NYC, reminded everyone that the FH Green Market is open on Sundays at Queens Boulevard and 70 Road.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted, Christine Nolan Community Coordinator

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