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MINUTES MARCH 13, 2019

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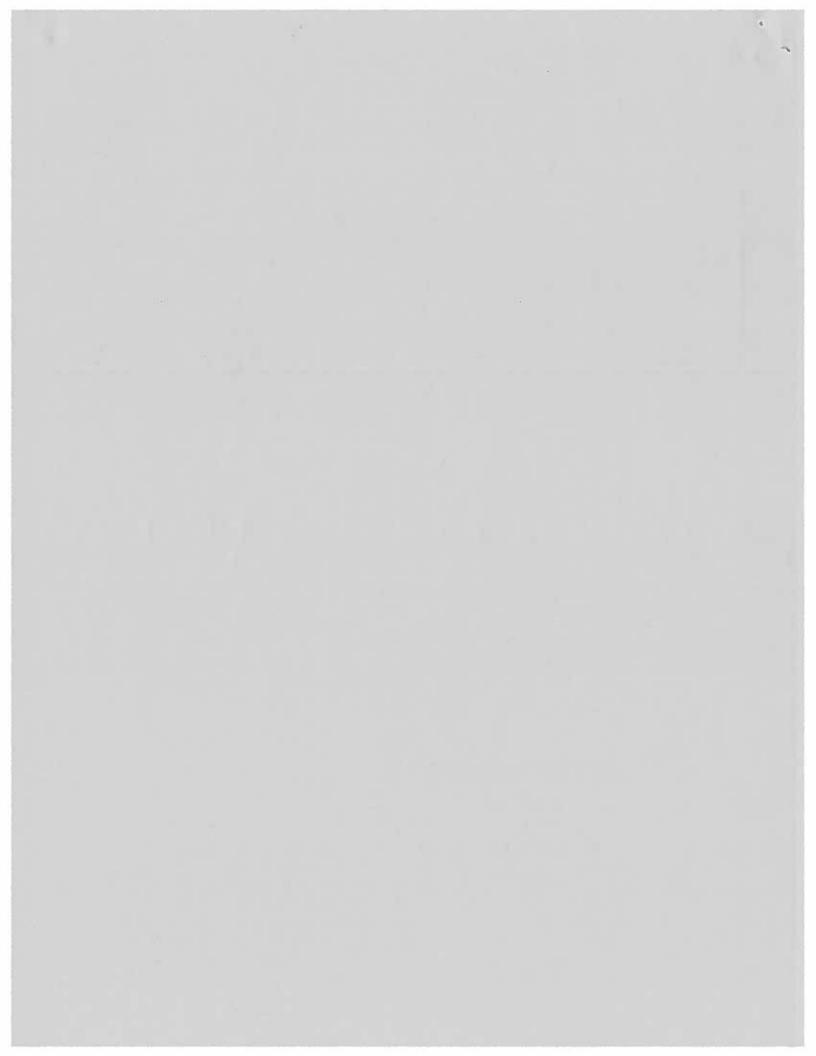
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OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

FRANK GULLUSCIO	CB 6 DISTRICT MANAGER
J. PERRICONE	OFFICE OF BOROUGH PRESIDENT KATZ
J. GOLDES	OFFICE OF CONGRESS MEMBER MENG
G. HUE	OFFICE OF SENATOR TOBY STAVISKY
D. ARONOV	OFFICE OF COUNCIL MEMBER KOSLOWITZ
J. GRIFFITH	OFFICE OF SENATOR ADDABBO
R. MALONE	OFFICE OF ASSEMBLY MEMBER ROSENTHAL
N. GRAY	NYC DEPARTMENT OF CITY PLANNING
P.O. KEITH TUOHEY	112 TH PRECINCT COMMUNITY AFFAIRS
DET. REDZEMATOVIC	PATROL BOROUGH OUEENS NORTH



COMMUNITY BOARD 6

MARCH 13, 2019

Gail Gordon, 1st Vice Chair of CB 6 opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance in Chairman Hennessy's absence. Chairman Hennessy is recovering from surgery.

MINUTES

The minutes of February 13, 2019 were accepted.

DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT

District Manager Frank Gulluscio reported that the Queens Borough Board will be voting on the FY2020 Capital and Expense Budget on Monday March 18, 2019.

Mr. Gulluscio urged the CB Members that if they have any concerns / complaints, they can reach out to the Community Board Office.

USTA

Kathleen Cassino made a presentation about what USTA did last year to give back to the community, and said the USTA is open to suggestions about future community projects in our Community Board.

Some of these community commitments include:

- Presentations to Community Boards
- Quarterly Newsletter
- Hosting School Graduations
- Anthem Singer Tryouts in Queens
- US Open Job Fair
- Community Tennis Program
- Queens Day & Fan Week
- Arthur Ashe Kids Day Ticket Outreach
- Queens Kiosk at US Open
- Community Service Projects

Other Community Service Projects USTA was involved in include: Earth Day Park Clean-up, Say Yes to Tennis, No to Violence, Kew Gardens Hills Job Fair, Health Fairs, Cystic Fibrosis Stair Climb, Light the Night Walk, Holiday Initiatives: Senior Thanksgiving Lunch, City Harvest Food Drive, Holiday Wishes, New York Cares Coat Drive.

The schools in CB 6 that have participated in the ACES (Alternative Classroom Environment for Students) program are PS 220, PS 174 and PS 206. The USTA is open to including additional schools in the future.

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION / TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT

District Manager Gulluscio reported that CB 6 received a request to co-name the South side of Queens Boulevard & 71st Road after the late Adelaide Connaughton. Adelaide was active in our community in many aspects, including working for FDNY EMS and volunteering at the Fortune Society (assisting formerly incarcerated individuals re-enter society).

The committee had no objections. Motion to approve the street co-naming passed unanimously on a voice vote.

CONSUMER AFFAIRS COMMITTEE REPORT

Norman Leibowitz, Chair of Consumer Affairs Committee reported that the Board did not receive any new liquor license applications this month.

CB 6 received the following liquor license renewals:

- Chebrvechnaya, 92-07 92-09A 63 Ave., RP
- TGI Friday's, 70-00 Austin Street, FH
- Village Grill, 73-01 Yellowstone Blvd., FH
- Best Beverage Catering, 69-50 Burns St., FH
- Alberto Secondo, 98-31 Metropolitan Ave., FH
- Salute, 63-61 108 Street, FH
- EXO Café, 70-20 Austin Street, FH
- Tower Diner, 98-95 Queens Blvd, RP

The Committee had no objections, and a motion to approve the renewals passed unanimously on a voice vote.

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE REPORT ULURP APPLICATION # C180399ZMQ 76TH DRIVE & AUSTIN STREET REZONING

Richard Lobel, Sheldon Lobel PC reported the following:

- The two medical offices between 76th Drive and 77th Avenue along Austin Street preexisted the present zoning and were fully legal uses when they were originally built.
- Under present zoning (R2), both buildings are legally non-conforming, which means they may continue to exist, but cannot expand or make certain improvements.
- Under the proposed zoning (R3-2), both buildings would be fully legal and conforming, and the owner would be permitted to expand the existing medical offices to the entirety of their respective buildings. No additional building floor area would be permitted.

Committee voted 14 In Favor, 1 Opposed. Committee Motion is to approve the application. Committee motion passed on a roll call vote.

34 In Favor, 2 Opposed

GOOD & WELFARE

NYC COUNCIL MEMBER KAREN KOSLOWITZ

David Aronov reported that Council Member Koslowitz is proud to sponsor the Street Co-Naming for Adelaide Connaughton, which CB 6 voted on tonight. David also reminded everyone that Participatory Budgeting vote week is coming up, March 30 – April 7. Volunteers are needed to assist with different projects during this week. If anyone is interested in volunteering, they can contact 718-544-8800.

NYS SENATOR JOSEPH P. ADDABBO, JR

Jeff Griffin reported that the Senate passed its Budget. Senator Addabbo will be co-sponsoring a job fair on March 29, 2019 at the Central Queens Y. There are over 50 companies that will be present.

CONGRESS MEMBER MENG

Jordan Goldes reported that Cong. Member Meng sponsored legislation to increase the cultural competency of poll workers. Congress Member Meng put out a statement against the President's Budget proposal which has drastic cuts for a lot of programs. Mr. Goldes reminded everyone that the Congress Member has a Forest Hills Office, if anyone has any issues / concerns.

ASSEMBLY MEMBER DANIEL ROSENTHAL

Rick Malone reported that there will be a Finance Workshop on March 15, 2019 from 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM at the Queens Community House. Assembly Member Rosenthal will also be sponsoring a Free Mammogram Event on March 29, 2019 from 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM at PS 165. Appointments are required

Mark Laster announced that there is a coalition of individuals and groups across NY that is coming together to ensure that an overhaul of NY's voting and campaign finance systems is the first order of business in the 2019 Legislature.

Heidi Chain reported that the 112th Precinct Community Council meeting will be held on Wednesday March 20, 2019 at 7:30 PM at Dee's Restaurant 107-23 Metropolitan Avenue.

Alexa Weitzman spoke about the Anti-Semitic graffiti at PS 139. She feels that since those arrested are minors, criminalization of them will not teach them anything. She also feels that this shouldn't be designated as a hate crime.

Gail Gordon (on behalf of NYS DOT) announced that there will be a Public Information Meeting on Monday March 25, 2019 at 6:00pm at the Radisson Hotel JFK regarding Van Wyck Expressway Capacity and Access Improvements.

Soumaly King announced that "Amplify Her" will be holding a District Attorney Candidates Night on Wednesday March 27, 2019 at 7:00pm at the Rego Center Mall.

Jean Silva announced that Flushing Meadows Corona Park Conservancy will be holding a "State of Flushing Meadows" event on April 11, 2019 at 7:00pm at Kew Gardens Community Center.

Emanuil Kalendarev spoke about the proposed jail in Kew Gardens. He feels that this needs to be done and if it is done properly it could help many people. Many of these people are homeless or mentally ill.

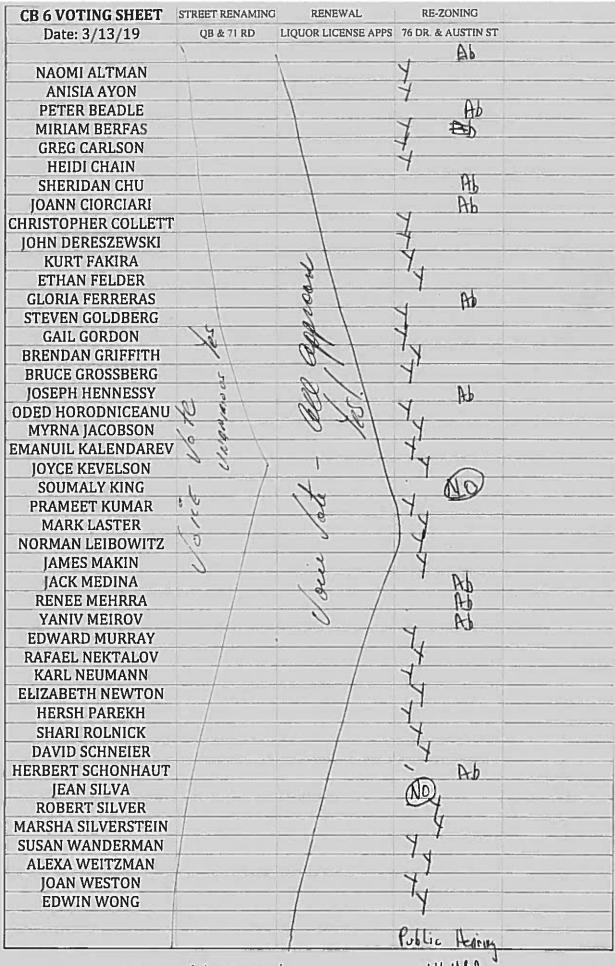
Chris Collett spoke about a meeting he attended regarding contamination in the vicinity of Home Depot on Woodhaven Boulevard. Although they feel that most of the contamination is spreading south of Forest Hills, he feels that we should ask them to make a presentation to the Community Board. The public comment period ends March 29, 2019. If anyone wants to make a comment, they can find more information on the NYS DEC Superfund Site.

Steve Schnitzer, 65-58 Alderton Street, spoke about traffic issues in the vicinity of Alderton Street & Fleet Street. He feels that the street is too busy between the Pre-K, FH Athletic Field, etc. He is requesting "No Standing" on both sides of the street between Fleet Street and Ellwell Crescent. CB Members have asked that DOT attend the meeting to explain why all requests at this location have been denied.

Mark Laster made a motion to move CB 6 meeting time from 7:45pm to 7:30pm. District Manager said this could be addressed when Chairman Hennessy returns.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted, Christine Nolan Community Coordinator



AB = Absent

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