



Community Board 7

Borough of Queens

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Community Board #7 Queens

PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR MEETING

Minutes

Monday, April 21, 2025

Meeting was held in the basement of St Luke Church, 16-34 Clintonville Street, Whitestone NY

Board Members Present:

Chuck Apelian
Blyss Buitrago
James Cervino
Kaily Cheng
Kim Cody
Arlene Fleishman
Richard Forman
Fred Fu
Doreen Gatanas
Cody Herrmann
Zhi Keng He
Jeff Huang
Kathy Huang
Lawrence Hughes
Phil Konigsberg

David Kwang
Li Mei Li
Frank Macchio
Betsy Mak
Rev. Richard McEachern
Barbara McHugh
Selma Moses
Sergio Nicolich
John Park
Terence Park
Dr. Vipul Patel
Yacov Pshtissky
Frank Quatela
Kris Ram
Maureen Regan

Warren Schreiber
Kevin Shields
Matthew Silverstein
Josh Sussman
Joseph Sweeney
Saleem Syed
Costanza Toro
Peter Tu
Harpreet Wahan
Maggie Wong
Lulu Yang
Dian Yu
Linna Yu
Rachel Zhang
Lei Zhao

Excused: Nicholas Corrado, Esther Lee, Paul Rifino, John Tsavalos, Clarissa Wong

Absent: None

Community Board #7 Staff

Marilyn McAndrews, District Manager

Mary O'Neill, Community Coordinator

Anne Krzyzanowski, Community Assistant

Chairman Charles Apelian opened the meeting at 7 pm. Pledge of Allegiance to our Flag and a moment of silence in honor of our late Chairman Eugene Kelty who passed away March 16th. Warren Schreiber became the 1st Vice Chair, Frank Macchio is the 2nd Vice Chair and Betsy Mak is now the 3rd Vice Chair. There will not be a 4th Vice Chair.

Announcements from the Chairman, **Chuck Apelian**.

Announcements from the Elected Officials.

Regular Meeting

This special meeting was held to honor the life and legacy of our late **Chairman Eugene Kelty**, many people told stories and their fond and some amusing memories of Gene. Both of his brothers, **James and Michael**, came along with many other family members. They brought with them displays of photos of Gene enjoying his life.

Gene's great-nephew **Henry Saar** said that his Uncle Gene was the "best Uncle Gene".

Congresswoman Grace Meng's representative **Evelyn Li**

Justin Connor, Community Liaison for Congressman Tom Suozzi presented a citation and a U.S. flag to Gene's brothers which was specifically flown in honor of Gene over the US Capital.

Councilwoman Ung's representative **Lucia Parades** gave a NYC Council Citation to honor Gene and read some remarks and thanked Gene for his service to the community.

Motion by **Joseph Sweeney** for the co-naming of the Northeast corner of 22nd Avenue and 146th Street in Whitestone as **FDNY Battalion Chief Eugene Kelty Jr Way** was seconded by **Harpreet Wahan** and the CB vote was unanimous to approve.

Public Participation

Alexander Caruso, a local substitute teacher: He applied for the Community Board and plans to re-apply next year. He spoke about the legacy of losing someone special.

Meeting ended: 9:28 pm

Respectfully Submitted

**Anne Krzyzanowski,
Community Assistant**