

COMMUNITY BOARD #1 FULL BOARD MEETING MAY 8, 2018 – 7:30 P.M.

ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 2329 VICTORY BLVD.

Nicholas Siclari, Chairman

MEMBERS

Vincent Accornero
Joe Ahlstrom
Ali Mir Masum
Anjail Ameen-Rice
Larry Beslow
Joseph Bird, Absent
Telee Brown
Sandy Carles
Loretta Cauldwell
Anthony Cosentino
Megan Delmar
George Doyle
Claudette Duff
Linda Eskenas
Timothy Forsyth
Victoria Gillen
John Guzzo
Celeste Holmes, Absent
Sunny Jain
Lisa Lattanzio, Excused
Norman Light
Priscilla Marco
John McBeth
Pearl Minsky, Excused
Mohan Radharkrishn
Friday Ogbewe
Ole Olsen
Ernest Paige, Absent
Catherine Paradiso
Amy Poirer
Fran Reali
Chris Rooney
Marjorie Ryan
James Samuels, Excused
Anthony Scaturi, Excused
Nicholas Siclari
George Sona, Excused
Hakan Tale, Absent
George Turner
Kelly Vilar, Excused
Kevin Washington, Excused
Daniel Williams
Camille Zarrelli
Bob Zion
Nicholas Zvegintzov

GUESTS

Roland Steward, Rep. BP James Oddo
Troy McGhie, Rep. Councilwoman Debi Rose
Elena Brady, Rep. Councilman Steve Matteo
Ralph Porzio, Rep. Senator Andrew Lanza
Mark Zink, Rep. Assemblyman Matt Titone
Jenny Fischman, Rep. District Attorney Michael McMahon
Joan Cusack, Director Human Resources Administration
Jermaine Williams, Department of Mental Health & Hygiene
Peter Levine, Port Richmond Library
Nicole Brooks, NYC Parks & Recreation
Gorge Ventura, SI Department of City Planning
Daniel Vieira, SI Department of City Planning
Michael Morrell, President Westerleigh Improvement Society
Eric Patterson, Friends of Westerleigh Park
Frank Marra, Clove Lake Civic
Diana Caughell, St. George/West Brighton Non-Bd. Member
Miereya Cogtta, Cassidy Place
Ariel Chambers-Roca & Matthew Roca, Eunice Place
Miriam Arnold, Occident Place
Joe Blazek, Avon Place

OFFICE STAFF

Joseph Carroll, District Manager
Lisa Crosby, Community Coordinator

Chairman Nicholas Siclari called the meeting to order at 7:36 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Secretary Anjail Ameen-Rice took roll call attendance, quorum present.

John McBeth made motion to approve April 2018 Full Board Minutes, Loretta Cauldwell seconded the motion, motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC SESSION

Ariel Roca a Graniteville resident spoke of a mass of homeless people living near Baron Hirsh Cemetery. They have made an encampment there. Ms. Roca and her family have woken up to people shinning flashlights in their windows, walking past their home, cutting through – throwing garbage out at the Graniteville Quarry etc.

(The Board Office has since reached out to Baron Hirsch Cemetery – they sent workers there, they homeless individuals are actually living in the unbuilt portion of Liske Avenue. The Cemetery was very cooperative – there were no individuals there at the time but clearly mass amounts of people living there with everything they own. The Cemetery reached out to Project Hospitality who was going to go there at night and speak to them, and tell them they had to move. The Cemetery would remove everything if they did not leave.)

Bob Zion spoke about Fleet Week – “the ships are sailing in on Wednesday the 23rd. Bands will be playing all weekend at the homeport starting Friday night. Tours will be given of the ships. An e-mail will be sent to all Members, Civics and Elected Officials with all info regarding Fleet Week.

Jermaine Williams, Department of Mental Health and Hygiene gave an updates on health. There is going to be free training for professionals for creating healthy homes for older adults on Wednesday, June 20, 2018 at the St. George Library from 10:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M. you must register. For more info e-mail healthyhomes@health.nyc.gov

Ali Mir Masum spoke of Ramadan (Muslim Holy Month being celebrated).

Ms. Jenny Fishman spoke of Fresh Start a program District Attorney Michael McMahon started for Summons Warrant Clearing and Resource Fair – only warrants for consumption of Alcohol in Public, disorderly conduct, possession of marijuana, trespassing. Loitering, littering, riding bicycle on the sidewalk, unleashed dog or spitting, being in a public park after dusk and noise violations. There will be food vendors, health and wellness tables, job readiness and immigration info available on June 2, 2018 – 8:30 A.M. -3:30 P.M. at the Central Family Life Center, 59 Wright Street.

Ms. Nicole Brooks, NYC Department of Parks & Recreation mentioned Levy and McDonald’s Playground has been delayed one month to reopen. There will be a Community Board #1 Parks Meeting on Thursday, June 7, 2018 – 7:00 P.M. at the Board Office Parks will be giving a presentation on Mariners Harbor Playground.

Peter Levine, Port Richmond Library mentioned library events that were happening, calendar of events and flyers were left.

Troy McGhie representing Councilwoman Debi Rose mentioned the Councilwoman will be announcing the winners of the Participatory Budget participants and what the community voted to have funded within a week, an event e-mail will be sent out by the Councilwoman’s Office.

PUBLIC SESSION CLOSED

OFFICERS' REPORTS

FIRST VICE—CHAIRMAN, ANTHONY COSENTINO – No report.

SECOND VICE-CHAIRMAN, CHRISTOPHER ROONEY- No report.

THRID VICE-CHAIRMAN, FRIDAY OGBEWELE – No report.

TREASURER, LARRY BESLOW – The Treasurer's report is in the packet.

SECRETARY, ANJAIL AMEEN-RICE – Secretary Ameen-Rice reported that the current Executive Committee has all submitted their names for their current positions as follows:

Chairman, Nicholas Siclari

First Vice-Chairman, Anthony Cosentino

Second-Vice Chairman, Christopher Rooney

Third Vice-Chairman, Friday Ogbewe

Treasurer, Larry Beslow

Secretary, Anjail Ameen-Rice

Secretary Ameen-Rice performed the Candidates Call.

Priscilla Marco nominated Megan Delmar for the position of First Vice-Chairman; Amy Poirer seconded the nomination – Ms. Delmar accepted the nomination.

There were no further nominations from the floor.

An Election will be held at the June 12, 2018 full Board Meeting for between Anthony Cosentino and Megan Delmar for the position of First Vice-Chairman.

CHAIRMAN, NICHOLAS SICLARI – Mr. Siclari mentioned that Mr. Carroll was not in attendance tonight, with all the training he does, he hurt his foot. Normally the board honors someone to honor each month. We had invited the volunteers that painted the fence at Snug Harbor, they were not able to make it this month they will attend the June meeting.

FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

LAND USE, VINCENT ACCORNERO - The minutes of the meeting are in the packet. The following motions were presented, discussed and voted on as follows:

NYC Planning Application No C 160401 ZMR - 5 Bement Avenue for an amendment to the zoning map changing from an R3-1 District to a C2-2 District.

Motion made to approve with the conditions that the line be adjusted and follows the existing tax lot of the adjoining residential property.

Roll call vote taken, vote passed 26-5-0.

Board of Standards & Appeals Application No. 2017-48-A- 36 Hardy Street – mosque and school partially within the bed of a mapped street.

Motion made and seconded to approve as submitted.

Roll call vote taken, vote passed 30-0-0.

TRANSPORTATION, NICHOLAS ZVEGINTZOV – Mr. Zvegintzov asked that CB#1 send a: “That a letter of support for Councilman Ydanis Rodriguez’s Int. No. 857, ‘A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to the creation of a citywide residential parking permit system: The letter shall be sent to Rodriguez and to the SI Councilmembers Rose, Matteo, and Borelli.”

Brief discussion held, motion made to table until the June Board Meeting, motion passed.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, CATHERINE PARADISO - No meeting, no report.

WATERFRONT, OLE OLSEN – Mr. Olsen asked for locations of high water marks - the Office of Emergency Management is going to mark the areas that get water surges etc. during storms. Priscilla Marco asked that the committee look into the fishing Piers. Pier 1 was closed and deemed unsafe for fishing. Joe Ahlstrom stated that at the end of the month a boat will be loading 300 people from Pier 1.

PUBLIC SERVICES, SUNNY JAIN – No meeting. Mr. Jain has been working with DOT to expedite the right turn lane on Clove road and Victory Blvd.

YOUTH SERVICES, KELLY VILAR – The minutes of the meeting are in the packet.

RULES & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, CHRISTOPHER ROONEY – No report.

BUDGET & FINANCE, ANTHONY COSENTINO – The final report of the budget will be in by June 30, 2018.

AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

CULTURAL AFFAIRS, PEARL MINSKY – No report.

VETERANS, BOB ZION – Mr. Zion spoke under Public Session regarding Fleet Week.

PARKS & RECREATION, MEGAN DELMAR – The Department of Parks & Recreation will give a presentation on Mariners Harbor Playground at the June 7, 2018 Parks Committee Meeting – 7:00 in the Board Office.

CIVIC COMMITTEE, VICTORIA GILLEN – A meeting was held, minutes are in the packet. NCO’s were in attendance and discussions held on Quality of Life issues such as noise.

AREA COMMITTEE REPORTS

MARINERS HARBOR, JOHN MCBETH – Minutes of the meeting are in the packet.

CLIFTON/CONCORD/STAPLETON, LARRY BESLOW – A meeting was held, minutes were not submitted.

WET BRIGHTON/ST. GEORGE, LORETTA CAULDWELL - Minutes of the meeting are in the packet.

SILVER LAKE/SUNNYSIDE/WESTERLEIGH/WILLOWBROOK, CAMILLE ZARRELLI/TIMOTHY FORSYTH –

The minutes of the meeting are in the packet. There will be no June Meeting.

ROSEBANK/FT. WADSWORTH/SHORE ACRES, JOHN GUZZO - There was a meeting, minutes were not submitted.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

MEETING ADJOURNED.