

FULL BOARD MEETING APRIL 12, 2016 – 7:30 P.M. ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH
2329 VICTORY BLVD.

Nicolas Siclari, Chairman

MEMBERS

Vincent Accornero
Ali, Mir Assum, Absent
Ameen-Rice, Anjail
Beslow, Larry
Bird, Joseph, Absent
Blancero, Andrew, Leave
Brown, Teele
Cauldwell, Loretta
Cosentino, Anthony, Bd. Business
Delmar, Megan
Doyle, George, Absent
Eskenas, Linda
Ferrie, Thomas, Excused
Forsythe, Timothy
Fossella, Victoria, Bd. Business
Gillen, Victoria
Greene, Christopher Bradford
Guzzo, John
Honor, Robert, Leave
Holmes, Celeste
Jain, Sunny
Lattanzio, Lisa M, Absent
Light, Norman
Marco, Priscilla, Excused
McBeth, John
Minsky, Pearl, Absent
Mohlenbrok, Jeffrey
Ogbewe, Friday
Olaf, Olsen, Excused
Paige, Ernest
Paradiso, Catherine, Excused
Parker, Geraldine, Absent
Reali, Fran, Absent
Rooney, Chris
Ryan, Marjorie
Samuels, James
Sona, George
Siclari, Nicholas
Turner, George
Villar, Kelly L, Excused
Washington, Kevin, Excused
Williams, Daniel
Zarrelli, Camille
Zvegintzov, Nicholas

GUESTS

Troy McGhie, Rep. Councilwoman Debi Rose
Mark Zink, Rep. Assemblyman Matthew Titone
Paul Marrone, Rep. Assemblywoman Nicole Malliotakis
Loren Centineo, Rep. Councilman Steve Matteo
Michael Morrell, President Westerleigh Improvement Society
Danielle Doug, NYPD
Danna Cusick, Westerleigh Resident
Eric Patterson, Friends of Westerleigh Park
Bob Zion, St. George Civic Assn.
Christine Tumbarello, NYCDPR
Peter Hegel, St. George Public Library
Peter Lisi, DYCD
Joan Cusack, Director Human Resources Administration
Frank Marra, Clove Lakes Civic Assn.
Ilya Geller, Peace Action Presidential Primary Town Hall
Jermaine Williams, HRA/DHS
Barbara Sanchez, Mount Manressa

OFFICE STAFF

Joseph Carroll, District Manager
Lisa Crosby, Community Associate
Linda Maffeo, Community Associate

A Land Use Public Hearing was held prior to the Board Meeting.

A presentation was given at the Land Use Public Hearing for certification of a restoration plan and 119-311 to authorize alteration of steep slope. The actions requested are to remove a DOB violation and legalize the unauthorized construction of a masonry stairway and landing in steep slope in the front yard of an existing single-family dwelling.

Motion made, seconded and approved unanimously to approve the authorization and restoration plans as submitted.

Chairman Nicholas Siclari called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll call attendance taken quorum present.

Public Session

Ms. Barbara Sanchez spoke of Savo Brothers challenging the Borough President's names of the streets that he had given.

Ilya Geller spoke of the Peace Action Presidential Primary Town Hall Meeting is **holding a Presidential Primaries Forum on Thursday, April 14th - 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm** at the Unitarian Church of Staten Island, 312 Fillmore Street (at Clinton Ave, in New Brighton, near Snug Harbor).

Peter Lisa spoke of a free workshop to create a fundraising plan and increase funding streams. This will help organizations become more sustainable. The workshop is on May 4, 2016 – 6-8 Gerald Carter Center 230 Broad Street.

Mr. Jermaine Williams, Human Resources Administration spoke of Mayor Deblasio's revising DHS's open-ended RFP for new shelters to instead seek proposals for new housing models that combine affordable permanent housing with transitional housing and community space. Under this model, shelter residents will receive services including rapid rehousing.

Deploying HRA staff as a "rapid rehousing team" to promote shelter move-outs from family shelters to permanent housing to help decrease reliance on cluster units. The required headcount for this initiative is included in the January Plan. Experience has shown that households with rental assistance vouchers are more successful finding housing if they have support in their search.

A Certificate of Recognition was given to Rev. Dr. Demetrius Carolina of First Central Baptist Church for his outstanding work he does with the True 2 Life – a cure violence program.

Amoy Barnes, Parks Department gave an update on the Stapleton Playground.

A long discussion was held on projects and repairs to parks. There were questions as to why an entire park needs to be rehabilitated if a few things need to be fixed in the park etc.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

FIRST VICE-CHAIRMAN, ANTHONY COSENTINO – No report.

SECOND VICE-CHAIRMAN, CHRISTOPHER ROONEY – No report.

THIRD VICE-CHAIRMAN, FRIDAY OGBEWELE – No report.

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

SECRETARY, ANJAIL AMEEN-RICE – Call for candidate forms were e-mailed to all Board Members and, are included in everyone's packet. The current Executive Committee have all submitted their Call for Candidate forms for their current position. Call for Candidate forms can be submitted up to the start of the May Meeting. Nominations will be taken tonight and at the May meeting only. Elections will be held in June.

Secretary Anjail Ameen Rice proceeded as follows:

Nicholas Siclari, Chairman – there were no nominations from the floor.

Anthony Cosentino, First Vice-Chairman - there were no nominations from the floor.

Christopher Rooney, Second Vice-Chairman - there were no nominations from the floor.

Treasure, Larry Beslow – there were no nominations from the floor.

Secretary, Anjail Ameen-Rice - there was no nominations from the floor.

CHAIRMAN, NICHOLAS SICLARI - Chairman Siclari announced that Joanna Duffy has retired and introduced Ms. Linda Maffeo who has replaced her. Everyone welcomed Ms. Maffeo.

DISTRICT MANAGER, JOSEPH CARROLL – Mr. Carroll mentioned the Parks Department does not have the Capital Funding to repair the parks. When projects are done to rehabilitate a park it comes from the Borough President of a Councilmember that is why we have requested in our Budget a baseline for the Parks.

LAND USE, VINCENT ACCORNERO - A presentation was given at the Land Use Public Hearing for certification of a restoration plan and 119-311 to authorize alteration of steep slope. The actions requested are to remove a DOB violation and legalize the unauthorized construction of a masonry stairway and landing in steep slope in the front yard of an existing single-family dwelling.

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BUDGET FINANCE, ANTHONY COSENTINO - No report.

TRANSPORTATION, NICHOLAS ZVEGINTZOV – There will be no meeting in April. A report is in the packet.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, CATHERINE PARADISO – The committee is only going to meet if there is an agenda item. Anyone can send a health related agenda item to the Board Office and a meeting will be scheduled.

WATERFRONT, LORETTA CAULDWELL – The minutes of the meeting are in the packet. An update was given by Mr. Rich Marin, NY Wheel.

PUBLIC SERVICES, SUNNY JAIN – No meeting, no report.

YOUTH SERVICES, KELLY VILAR – The newsletter and minutes are in the packet.

RULES & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, CHRISTOPHER GREENE - Follow up was done with no response on our support of Int. No. 732, a Local Law to amend the New York City Charter in relation to making urban planning professionals available to Community Boards.

AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

PARKS & RECREATION, MEGAN DELMAR - No meeting, no report.

CIVIC COMMITTEE, VICTORIA GILLEN – The minutes of the meeting are in the packet.

CULTURAL AFFAIRS, PEARL MINSKY – There has been no meeting – if anyone has any items for the committee.

AREA COMMITTEE REPORTS

MARINERS HARBOR/PORT RICHMOND, JOHN MCBETH – Chairman Siclari announced that Ms. Anjail Ameen-Rice has stepped down as Chair of the Mariners Harbor/Port Richmond Area Committee. Chairman Siclari thanked Ms. Anjail Ameen-Rice for the tremendous work she has done. Mr. John McBeth is now the Chairman of the Mariners Harbor/Port Richmond Area Committee. The minutes of the meeting are in the packet.

CLIFTON/CONCORD/STAPLETON, LARRY BESLOW – No report.

WEST BRIGHTON/ST. GEORGE, JEFFREY MOHLENBROOK/VICKIE FOSSELLA – The minutes of the meeting are in the packet.

SILVER LAKE/SUNNYSIDE/WESTERLEIGH/WILLOWBROOK, TIMOTHY FORSYTH/CAMILLE ZARRELLI - Minutes of the meeting are in the packet.

ROSEBANK/FT. WADSWORTH, JOHN GUZZO - Minutes of the meeting are in the packet.

Old business

New business

Meeting adjourned.