COMMUNITY BOARD #1 FULL BOARD MEETING, NOVEMBER 12, 2013 – 8:00 P.M. ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 2329 VICTORY BLVD.

Leticia Remauro, Chairwoman

MEMBERS

Vincent Accornero

Anjail Ameen-Rice

Larry Beslow, Excused Jeannine Borkowski, Leave

Marilyn Brown, Bd. Business

Loretta Cauldwell Anthony Cosentino

George Doyle Linda Eskenas

Timothy Forsyth, Excused

Victoria Gillen John Guzzo

Sunny Jain, Excused

Wilma Jones, Leave John Keiser

Lisa Lattanzio, Excused

Norman Light

Priscilla Marco, Excused

Jeff Mohlenbrok

Pearl Minsky Ole Olsen

Friday Ogbewele Ernest Paige

Catherine Paradiso Fran Reali, Excused

Leticia Remauro

Marjorie Ryan Chris Rooney

Richard Salhaney, Excused

Nicholas Siclari

George Sona

George Turner

George Wonica, Jr.

Camille Zarrelli, Excused

Richard Zichettello

GUESTS

Paul Duffy, Rep. Governor Cuomo

Michael Bryantsev, Rep. Borough President Molinaro

Glenn Yost, Rep. Senator Lanza Mark Zink, Rep. MOA Titone

Brandon Patterson, Rep. Councilmember Rose Joan Cusack, Human Resources Administration

Jermaine Williams, Human Resources Administration

Det. Quania Rios, 120th Pct. Community Affairs

Bob Zion, St. George Civic Assn.

Georgette Lakeman, Friends of Westerleigh Park

Marsha Russell, Bay Street Landing Sarah Gowell, Bay Street Landing Joe DiForte, East Shore Little League

Deborah Green, Intro Maimus Sabine Bernards, Citizens NYC Liam Dowd, Boy Scout Troop 77

OFFICE STAFF

Joseph Carroll, District Manager Lisa Crosby, Community Associate Chairwoman Leticia Remauro called the Board Meeting to order at 8:00 P.M.

Liam Dowd, Troop 77 lead in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call attendance taken.

Motion made, seconded and approved to accept October 2013 Board Minutes.

Chairwoman Remauro announced that our Waterfront Chairman, a dear friend, retired Sandy Hook Pilot, founder of the Seaman's Institute, which taught all types of nautical education, a man who gave his time to insure the Wheel and Outlets were approved by the NYC Council with the Board's requests attached had a fatal heart attack on Monday morning at home. Captain Curt Ward will always be a part of Community Board #1 and will be remembered always.

PUBLIC SESSION

Mr. Joe DiForte, East Shore Little League spoke of registration for East Shore Little League open for girls and boys ages 4-16 yrs. old. East Shore Little League not only covers Rosebank/Ft. Wadsworth/Shore Acres, it includes Park Hill/Stapleton/Clifton/Concord and St. George up to Victory blvd. All are welcome to register regardless of ability. There are also free clinics that will be offered during the off-season. For more information please leave a message at the clubhouse – 718-442-1857 or log onto www.eslittleleague.com

Ms. Deborah Green introduced Maximus back to work program for anyone that receive government benefits, SNAP or welfare ages 18-64. You can reach Ms. Green at 917-423-4211 for further information.

Ms. Sabine Bernards, Citizens Committee spoke of Community Grants program for grants up to \$3,000 to neighborhood groups, public school-based groups and NYCHA tenants association working to improve the quality of life across the city, including the community. The deadline is January 27, 2014. There is a workshop in lower Manhattan on December 10, 2013 from 6:30-8:30. You must register for the workshop at wflorentino@citzensnyc.org or call 212-822-9568. (Flyers are on CB#1 website under newsflash)

Ms. Pearl Minsky spoke of Theatre Rehabilitation for Youth (TRY) has opened a performing school (ACT) for young people on the autism spectrum, 14-24 years of age, which includes singing, dancing and acting, taught by professionals in each field. Enrollees must be able to participate in the program, which will culminate in a performance. The classes will teach skills that can be applied to other disciplines, build self-confidence, improve self-image, being entertaining and encourage socialization. ACT will run for 25 weeks, on Thursdays, from 4:30 to 5:30, in the meeting hall at All Saints Episcopal Church, 2329 Victory Blvd. The fee is \$15.00 a session for a total of \$375.00. For any further information or enrollment, please call Pearl Minsky, 718-983-1990. Ms. Minsky also showed a calendar of local artists which she is selling for \$15 with benefits going to the program to take to Broadway shows, ballet etc. If anyone is interested in appearing in the calendar next year, please contact Ms. Minsky as well.

Mr. Sam Schwartz made a power point presentation on MoveNY. During his presentation, Mr. Schwartz revealed to us that under the current MTA plan, the excess revenue collected from tolls is distributed with the first \$25 million, going to NYC and the rest of the over \$1 billion collected is then split evenly between the Long Island Railroad and the MTA.

Staten Island has traditionally been the most underserved borough by the MTA. While the Verrazano Bridge is reporting over \$270 million in tolls collected (the majority of which is paid by Staten Islanders returning home in their cars) we have been denied comprehensive public transportation options due to ongoing budget deficits that could be corrected if the distribution formula was corrected.

For more information log onto: http://www.samschwartz.com/Move NY.

Chairwoman Remauro asked all members, civic associations and residents to offer any traffic suggestions/improvements pertaining to the presentation at the next Board Meeting on December 10, 2013. Letters will go to elected officials requesting they review the proposal and attend or send a representative to the December board Meeting so ideas could be discussed.

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 Treasurer's report is in the packet.

SECRETARY, NICHOLAS SICLARI – No report.

<u>CHAIRWOMAN, LETICIA REMAURO</u> – Ms. Remauro reminded everyone to be prepared at the December Board Meeting to discuss traffic issues relating to the presentation that was shown tonight by Mr. Schwartz.

DISTRICT MANAGER, JOSEPH CARROLL – No report.

FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

LAND USE, VINCENT ACCORNERO – No applications have been received.

LABOR, NICHOLAS SICLARI – No report.

<u>HUMAN SERVICES/PUBLIC SERVICES, SUNNY JAIN</u> – Ms. Anjail Ameen-Rice chaired the Human Services/Public Services meeting this evening. The Department of Parks & Recreation, Forestry Division gave a presentation.

<u>YOUTH SERVICES, MARILYN BROWN</u> – Ms. Brown is on board business regarding the Core Curriculum.

RULES & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, PRISCILLA MARCO – No report.

BUDGET & FINANCE, ANTHONY COSENTINO – No report.

<u>WATERFRONT</u> – Chairwoman Remauro announced that Mr. Ole Olsen will now chair the Waterfront Committee.

TRANSPORTATION, JEANNINE BORKOWSKI – No meeting.

AREA COMMITTEE REPORTS

<u>CLIFTON/CONCORD/STAPLETON, LARRY BESLOW</u> – Minutes of the meeting are in the packet. The committee had a tie vote by the members to allow Overspray to stay open until 4 AM on the weekends. The attorney, Neil Visoky mentioned that he was going to address the board tonight to discuss the board's policy of closing at 2AM on the weekends for many of his clients, he did not attend.

<u>WEST BRIGHTON/NEW BRIGHTON/ST. GEORGE, LORETTA CAULDWELL</u> – The minutes of the meeting are in the packet.

<u>MARINERS HARBOR/PORT RICHMOND, ANJAIL AMEEN-RICE</u> – The minutes of the meeting are in the packet.

<u>SILVER LAKE/SUNNYSIDE/WESTERLEIGH/WILLOWBROOK, CAMILLE</u>

<u>ZARRELLI AND TIMOTHY FORSYTH</u> – The minutes of the meeting are in the packet.

There will be no meeting in December.

<u>ROSBANK/FT. WADSWORTH/SHORE ACRES, JOHN GUZZO</u> – The minutes will be included in next month's packet.

OLD BUSINESS NEW BUSINESS MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:30 P.M.