

**COMMUNITY BOARD #1 FULL BOARD MEETING, DECEMBER 9, 2008 – 8:00 P.M.**  
**ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 2329 VICTORY BLVD.**

**Anthony Marra, Chairman**

**MEMBERS**

Vincent Accornero  
Anjail Ameen-Rice  
Marilyn Averett, Excused  
Lloyd Bacchus, Excused  
Jeannine Borkowski  
Loretta Cauldwell  
Ajmal Chaudhry  
Anthony Cosentino  
Megan Delmar  
George Doyle  
Linda Eskenas  
Timothy Forsyth, Military Exc.  
Grace Ferranti, Excused  
Rajiv Gowda  
John Guzzo  
Jeanne Hogan  
Sunny Jain  
Wilma Jones, Excused  
Dominick Lambert, Medical Leave  
Lisa Lattanzio  
Adena Long  
Anthony Marra  
Jacob Massaquoi, III  
Sheila McGinn  
Mary Mitchell, Medical Leave  
Friday Ogbewe  
John Pabone, Absent  
Joseph Pancila  
Terry Player, Med. Medical Leave  
Leticia Remauro  
Christine Reese  
Chris Rooney  
Debi Rose  
Nicolas Siclari  
John Strandberg, Jr., Excused  
Sean Sweeney, Excused  
Ken Tirado  
Curt Ward, Excused  
Mark Washington  
George Wonica, Jr. Excused  
Camille Zarrelli  
Richard Zichettello

**GUESTS**

Tom Aiello, Rep. Governor Patterson  
Michael Latona, Rep. Borough President Molinaro  
Julie Firestone-Levine, Rep. Senator Lanza  
Representative from the Comptroller's Office  
Mark Zink, Rep. MOA Titone  
Jeannette Beck, Rep. Councilman Oddo  
Frank Carcaterra, Rep. NYC Parks Department  
Representative from the NY Public Library  
Michael Morrell, President Westerleigh Improvement Society  
Phyllis Savarese, Clove Lake Civic Assn.  
Patricia Schwimer, Clove Lake Civic Assn  
Paul Saryian, Candidate for City Council  
P.O. Kerry Hyland, 120 Pct.  
Ronald Meisels, St. Paul's Resident  
Kamillah Hanks, Executive Director SI Downtown Council  
Telee Brown, President SI Liberian Community Assn.  
Stanley Mroz, Rep. MOA Janelle Hyer-Spencer

**OFFICE STAFF**

Joseph Carroll, District Manager

Chairman Anthony Marra called the meeting to order at 8:05 P.M.

Roll call attendance taken. A quorum was present.

Motion made and seconded to accept November 2008 Board Minutes. Minutes accepted.

Mr. Michael Latona representing Borough President Molinaro swore in new Board Members, Jeannine Borkowski and Christine Reese.

Chairman Anthony Marra read the guest list of the representatives of Elected Officials and NYC agency representatives.

## **OFFICERS' REPORTS**

**FIRST VICE-CHAIRMAN, ANTHONY COSENTINO** – Mr. Cosentino reported on the Staten Island Downtown Council and read a letter of support for their grant application for the Main Street Program as required by funding guidelines.

**SECOND VICE-CHAIRWOMAN, LETICIA REMAURO** – Ms. Remauro wished everyone a Happy Holiday.

**THIRD VICE-CHAIRMAN, FRIDAY OGBEWELE** – Mr. Ogbewele had no report and wished everyone a Happy Holiday.

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

**SECRETARY, DEBI ROSE** – Ms. Rose wished everyone a Happy Holiday.

**CHAIRMAN, ANTHONY MARRA** – Chairman Marra reported on the Housing Preservation & Development Housing Project at the former Stapleton Municipal Parking Lot. The project is no on hold due to the economic crisis. Councilman McMahon wants the project to go forward as planned.

Chairman Marra asked Mr. Larry Beslow and Mr. Vincent Accornero to attend a meeting with the Staten Island Downtown Council at the Board Office.

**DISTRICT MANAGER, JOSEPH CARROLL** – Mr. Carroll congratulated Mr. Ken Tirado on his Restaurant Award.

## **PUBLIC SESSION**

Mr. Michael Morrell, President of the Westerleigh Improvement Society announced the Westerleigh Improvement Society will be holding a forum for the candidates for the 49<sup>th</sup> Council District in late January or early February of 2009 at Emmanuel Union Church.

Police Officer Kerry Hyland spoke of a sports program with police officers and youth up to the age of 17. The program is for team sports. Basketball recruiting will be held at I.S. 27. For further information, contact Police Officer Kerry Hyland at 646-246-4293.

Mr. Ronald Meisels a Stapleton resident requested a letter of support for the National Lighthouse Museum.

Mr. Paul Saryian spoke of a rally being held against a state proposal to cut funding for non-public schools at Farrell High School.

Mr. Thomas Aiello representing Governor Patterson provided Senior Citizen Resource Guides.

Ms. Kamillah Hanks, Director of the Staten Island Downtown Council spoke of a \$6 Million dollar grant the Staten Island Downtown Council has applied to do the facades for businesses on Victory Blvd. from Bay Street to Cebra Avenue and to improve the streetscape. A letter of support is needed from the Community Board as per the guidelines to receive the grant.

Mr. Tallee Brown, President of the Staten Island Liberian Cultural Association introduced himself and to inform the Board that the Liberian Community is united and ready to work with Community Board #1 and the Youth Committee.

Ms. Adena Long is the Executive Director of Vision for Staten Island. Seven Meetings were held in seven days last week. There will be some small meetings held in January. For results of the meetings or if anyone would like to set up a meeting please call Ms. Adena Long at 718-568-3561.

### **FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**LAND USE, VINCENT ACCORNERO** – There was no Land Use Meeting held. The next meeting will be January 5, 2008, 8:00 P.M. at the Board Office.

**HUMAN RESOURCES, LISA LATTANZIO** – Last month a quorum was not present, therefore no meeting was held.

**WATERFRONT, CURT WARD** – No quorum, no meeting.

**PUBLIC SERVICES, LLOYD BACCHUS** – Mr. Sunny Jain chaired the meeting. A quorum was not present but a discussion ensued and the minutes are in the packet.

**YOUTH SERVICES, JOANNE PENTANGELO** – The minutes of the meeting will be in the packet next month. Mr. Doyle asked the status of getting youths to become members of the Youth Committee.

**RULES & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS** – Ms. Remauro spoke of a letter to the Liquor Authority regarding how they report to the Community Boards. No response has been received thus far.

Mr. Accornero asked Ms. Remauro if the Board could send a letter regarding the recycling of plastic bags. Chairman Marra said he would speak with Mr. Accornero and Ms. Remauro after the meeting.

Mr. Accornero asked for the Rules Committee to look into how appointments are made to fill the vacancies on the Board.

**BUDGET & FINANCE, TERRY PLAYER** – No report.

### **AREA COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**CLIFTON/CONCORD, LARRY BESLOW** – The minutes of the meeting are in the packet.

**SILVER LAKE/SUNNYSIDE/WESTERLEIGH/WILLOWBROOK, KEN TIRADO** –

The minutes of the meeting are in the packet.

**ROSEBANK/FT. WADSWORTH/ShORE ACRES, JOHN GUZZO** – The minutes of the November Meeting will be included in the packet next month.

**WEST BRIGHTON/ST. GEORGE, MEGAN DELMAR** – The minutes of the meeting are in the packet.

**MARINERS HARBOR/PORT RICHMOND, DEBI ROSE** – The minutes of the meeting are in the packet.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Mr. Rajiv Gowda complimented Ms. Adena Long and the SI Vision in their efforts and encouraged people to put out lawn signs for the SI Vision project.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Tirado thanked everyone who bought toys for the Richmond University Hospital Annual Santa visit on Monday, December 15, 2008. Any elves interested in attending please meet in the lobby of the hospital at 355 Bard Avenue at 6:45 P.M.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 P.M.