

COMMUNITY BOARD #1 FULL BOARD MEETING JANUARY 12, 2016 – 7:30 P.M.

ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 2329 VICTORY BLVD.

Nicholas Siclari, Chairman

MEMBERS

Vincent Accornero
Anjail Ameen-Rice
Larry Beslow
Joseph Bird
Andrew Blancero, Leave
Telee Brown
Loretta Cauldwell
Anthony Cosentino, Excused
Megan Delmar, Excused
George Doyle, Excused
Linda Eskenas
Thomas Ferrie, Excused
Timothy Forsyth, Excused
Victoria Fossella
Victoria Gillen
Christopher Greene
John Guzzo
Robert Honor, Excused
Celeste Holmes, Excused
Sunny Jain
Lisa Lattanzio
Priscilla Marco
John McBeth, Excused
Pearl Minsky
Jeffrey Mohlenbrok
Friday Ogbewe
Ole Olsen, Leave
Ernest Paige, Excused
Catherine Paradiso
Geraldine Parker, Absent
Fran Reali, Excused
Chris Rooney
Marjorie Ryan
James Samuels
Varun Sanyal, Absent
George Sona
Nicholas Siclari
George Turner
Kelly Vilar
Kevin Washington
Daniel Williams
Camille Zarrelli
Nicholas Zvegintzov

GUESTS

Jenny Fischman, Rep. Public Advocate Letita James
Kevin Elkins, Rep. Comptroller Scott Stringer
Troy McGhee, Rep. Councilwoman Rose
Lorraine Scanni, Rep. Councilman Steve Matteo
Brandon Patterson, Rep. Senator Diane Savino
Glenn Yost, Rep. Senator Andrew Lanza
Mark Zink, Rep. Assemblyman Matt Titone
Joan Cusack, Director NYC Human Resources Administration
Jermaine Williams, NYC Human Resources Administration
Anthony Arcome, NYC Parks & Recreation Manager
Jessica Fiorello, City Clerk
Peter Hegel, St. George Library
Michael Morrell, President Westerleigh Improvement Society
Eric Patterson, Friends of Westerleigh Park
Amanda Straniere, Staten Island Museum
Bob Zion, St. George Civic Association
Franklin Marra, Clove Lake Civic Association
Barbara Sanchez, Committee to Save Mt. Manresa
Diana Caughull, Non board Member West New Brighton
Beryl Thurman, President North Shore Waterfront Conservancy
Dennis Dellattelo, SI taxpayers
Doris Valentin
Terrence Di Rom

OFFICE STAFF

Joseph Carroll, District Manager
Lisa Crosby, Community Associate

Chairman Nicholas Siclari called the meeting to order at 7:33 P.M.
Secretary Anjail Ameen-Rice took roll call attendance, quorum present.
Motion made, seconded and approved unanimously to accept December 2015 Board Minutes.

Amanda Straniere and Executive Director Cheryl Adolph spoke of the Staten Island Museum: Especially for thinkers, doers and the curious who are seeking diverse and engaging experiences in a unique setting, Staten Island Museum is the place for exploring the dynamic connection between natural science, art and history since 1881.

The Museum share their passion for the world we live in through innovative exhibitions based on our multi-disciplinary collections, intellectually stimulating programs, scholarly research and enriching partnerships.

Ms. Jessica Fiorello, Office of the City Clerk Lobbying Bureau spoke of the one-time amnesty opportunity. For further information you can go to their website at www.cityclerk.nyc.gov or call 212-669-4224.

Ms. Mayela Calderon, Outreach Coordinator Big Brothers Big Sisters of NYC spoke of an office for Big Brothers Big Sisters of NYC opening at 60 Bay Street. There will be a ribbon cutting ceremony on January 12, 2016 from 3:00 -4:00 P.M. at 60 Bay Street all are invited to attend.

PUBLIC SESSION

Mr. Mario Buoniaggio, Ms. Beryl Thurman spoke of oversaturation of social services in Port Richmond. Camelot is proposing to add to their current facility on Port Richmond Avenue which the residents feel is unacceptable.

Ms. Barbara Sanchez spoke of the rezoning application that has been submitted to the Department of City Planning. Thanks was given to Christopher Rooney and Paul Graziano for meeting with the City Planning Commission in Manhattan to facilitate the application moving forward in a timely manner.

Ms. Sabina Burards, Citizens Committee of NYC spoke of grants available for community gardening, tenant organizing school recycling drives and any community-building projects. For more information or to apply go to www.citizensnyc.org or call 212-822-9563.

Mr. Jermaine Williams, NYC Human Resources Administration explained that HRA will be working with DHS to get a better understanding and structure of the homeless population in NYC. Volunteers are needed on January 25, 2016 from midnight to 4:00 a.m. Mr. Williams was available to speak to during the meeting. To volunteer contact the Board Office.

Mr. Neil Berry spoke of the need to rebuild Cromwell Center. A flyer was left of a meeting being held on Tuesday, January 26, 2016 – 7:00 P.M. at Brighton Heights Reformed Church.

Mr. Keith Jacobson spoke local government help that is needed on Staten Island. Mr. Jacobson claimed he has been seeking help from local government agencies and services and does not feel his needs are being addressed.

Mr. Dellangelo mentioned that there are current zoning text amendments that City Planning is working on that will effect of all Staten Island. In Community Board #1 changes will be made on how Hillside Preservation applications are reviewed by the Board and therefore public. Mr. Dellangelo asked the Land Use Chairman and the Board to carefully review the zoning text

amendments and the changes that will be coming to all of the Community Boards on Staten Island.

Ms. Jenny Fishman of the Public Advocates Office left a Community Update flyer for January 2016.

Ms. Rebecca Samuels y NAACP invited all to the annual NAACP College Fair on Saturday, February 6, 2016 at McKee High School, 290 St. Mark's Place. There will be a financial aid workshop for parents at 1:30 P.M. 22 colleges have already confirmed their attendance, there are more to be confirmed. Flyers were left.

PUBLIC SESSION CLOSED

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 minutes are in the packet.

SECRETARY, ANJAIL AMEEN-RICE- No report.

CHAIRMAN, NICHOLAS SICLARI- Chairman Siclari asked all of the residents that wanted to hear and speak regarding the Camelot expansion attend the Mariner's Harbor/Port Richmond Area Committee Meeting on Tuesday, January 19, 2016 – 7:00 P.M. at 350 Park Avenue, Staten Island. Mr. Luke Nasta will be in attendance to explain the expansion. The Area Committee will make a recommendation which will be forwarded to the full Board on February 9, 2016 for a full Board Vote.

DISTRICT MANAGER, JOSEPH CARROLL- Mr. Carroll thanked Mr. Rooney who represented the Board at the meeting with the City Planning Commission in Manhattan regarding the Rosebank/Ft. Wadsworth/Clifton rezoning application. Thanks to the efforts of Vincent Accornero and Mr. Rooney the City the fees that costs thousands of dollars will not have to be paid since the Community Board #1 submitted the application. Lastly, it is important that Ms. Sanchez and the committee start doing the leg work necessary to move the application forward.

FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

LAND USE, VINCENT ACCORNERO- There were no Land Use Applications this month. Applications will be heard at the 2 of the area committee meetings in January, the Land Use Public Hearing will be held on February 1, 2016 at 7:30 at the Board Office and the applications will be voted on at the February 9, Board Meeting. The Land Use Agenda will be printed in the SI Advance the Sunday prior to the Area Meetings for all interested, and, you can call the Board Office to receive any file. The Land Use Public Hearing Notice will be sent to all Board Members, Civic Associations and Elected Officials.

BUDGET & FINANCE, ANTHONY COSENTINO – We are waiting for the Mayor’s response to the Preliminary Budget so we are able to make our response. A meeting will be scheduled in February.

TRANSPORTATION, NICHOLAS ZVEGINTZOV- The minutes are in the packet. Next month a presentation will be made on the preliminary traffic study that was completed for the new construction in St. George.

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

LABOR, JEFFREY MOHLENBROK- Last month the committee introduced This was included in the minutes of December. The committee asked that we incorporate these into CB#1 procedures for new construction. FINISH THIS AND ADD

WATERFRONT, LORETTA CAULDWELL- No meeting, no report.

PUBLIC SERVICES, SUNNY JAIN – Minutes of the meeting are in the packet.

PARKS & RECREATION, MEGAN DELMAR – Minutes of the meeting are in the packet.

YOUTH SERVICES, KELLY VILAR – The minutes and the newsletter are in the packet. MS, Vilar spoke about a visit she had to the Harbor School on Governor’s Island It is truly an amazing school where they learn, train and restore. Ms. Vilar asked for a letter of support be sent to try to get a Harbor School on Staten Island. Hand vote taken. Vote passed unanimously.

RULES & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS – No meeting, no report.

AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

CIVIC, VICTORIA GILLEN – No meeting, no report.

CULTURAL AFFAIRS, PEARL MINSKY – No meeting, no report.

AREA COMMITTEE REPORTS

MARINERS HARBOR/PORT RICHMOND, ANJAIL AMEEN-RICE – No meeting, no report.

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

WEST BRIGHTON/ST. GEORGE/NEW BRIGHTON – No meeting, no report.

SILVER LAKE/SUNNYSIDE/WESTERLEIGH/WILLOWBROOK – No meeting, no report.

ROSEBANK/FT. WADSWORTH/SHORE ACRES – No meeting, no report.

Old business

New business

Motion made seconded and approved to adjourn meeting.

