

COMMUNITY BOARD #1 FULL BOARD MEETING MAY 9, 2017 – 7:30 P.M.

ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 2329 VICTORY BLVD.

Nicholas Siclari, Chairman

MEMBERS

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

GUESTS

Roland Stewart, Rep. BP James Oddo
Troy McGhie, Rep. Councilwoman Debi Rose
Elena Brady, Rep. Councilman Steven Matteo
Mark Zink, Rep. MOA Matthew Titone
Angela Marizz, Rep. MOA Nicole Malliotakis
Brandon Patterson, Rep. Diane Savino
Joan Cusack, Executive Director HRA
Jermaine Williams, HRA
Jenny Fishman, Rep. District Attorney Michael McMahon
Michael Morrell, Pres. Westerleigh Improvement Society
Eric Patterson, Friends of Westerleigh Park
Ilene Pappat, Executive Director Goodhue
Ann Selfridje Act Care
Joseph Kurtz, NYC Parks
Peter Levine, NY Public Library
Sarah Gowell, Bay Street Landing
Marsha Russell, Bay Street Landing
Jennifer Sanchez, PSS Senior Services
Rose Uscianowski, Resident
Peter Lisi, 560 Bay Street
Dave Ingram, Austin Place

OFFICE STAFF

Joseph Carroll, District Manager
Lisa Crosby, Community Coordinator

LAND USE MEETING

Mr. Len Garcia Duran and Aleena Farishta gave an update on the Bay Street Corridor and are working on a new zoning text for flood resiliency.

BOARD MEETING

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Secretary Anjail Ameen-Rice took roll call attendance. Quorum present.

Motion made seconded and approved to accept April 2017 board minutes.

Ms. Ilene Pappat, Executive Director Goodhue spoke about pushing the third part of the sale of the Goodue property and asks the Boards help in getting this completed to save Goodhue as parkland.

Mr. Bob Zion spoke on Fleet week coming up and urged all to attend. Weekends are the best because schools get tours during the week.

Ms. Ann Selfridjd, ACT helps people and families that are dealing with Alzheimer and Dementia. You can contact them at actcares@gmail.com or 347-621-6174.

Mr. Joseph Kurtz, New York City Department of Parks & Recreation spoke about Green Neighborhoods and a cleanup that will occur in Jones' woods. For further information contact Mr. Kurtz at joseph.kurtz@parks.nyc.gov

Mr. Troy McGhie representing Councilwoman Debi Rose spoke about the community's involvement with the budget process and how they have the community vote to determine where the funds should be used. After the voting was finalized, the monies were distributed to a variety of north shore schools. If anyone would like to get involved with next year's budget, please contact the councilwoman's office. Most of the funds went to schools.

Ms. Victoria Gillen spoke about Design Trust to create additional green space. Ms. Gillen would like to create pocket parks.

Mr. Peter Levine, New York Public Library spoke about advocacy campaign and programs at the Port Richmond Library.

John McBeth spoke about the proposal to close Rikers Island. Mr. McBeth would like to see Rikers Island closed for a number of reasons and mentioned if anyone would like to speak to him he is available.

Ms. Jenny Fischman from District Attorney Michael McMahon's Office gave an update on new programs District Attorney has initiated and introduced an assistant district attorney from the domestic violence unit.

Public Session Closed

Certificate of Recognitions were given to Loretta Kennedy from Eden II and Yvette Washington Wheatley, Director Youth Orchestra Brighton Heights Church. Some members of the Youth Orchestra performed for the Board.

Katia Gordon, Con Ed. spoke about new automated meters that are going to be installed in every household, and, access bills from your cell phone. There will be no need to read your own meter anymore, fill out the card or have con ed. representative come inside and read the meter. If you opt out of getting a new meter you will be charged \$9 a month. There were a huge amount of people that are opposed to the fee if you opt out of the program.

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 - Ms. Anjail Ameen-Rice stated the current executive committee is running for their current positions:

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

Nominations were taken from the floor for each of the Executive Committee positions; nobody submitted to run nor was nominated from the floor. Secretary Ameen-Rice will cast a vote for each current Executive Committee member in June. Congratulations to all.

CHAIRMAN, NICHOLAS SICLARI – Chairman Siclari thanked everyone for the confidence in the current Executive Committee, he further for the time that they put into the Board. Representatives of the Board have been attending Richmond University Medical Center Meetings and, Anthony Cosentino is the liaison for Randall Manor Civic regarding the Richmond University Medical Center's expansion of the emergency room.

DISTRICT MANAGER, JOSEPH CARROLL – Mr. Carroll spoke about the art installation by Sia Armajani adjacent to the ferry terminal. Due to the weather etc. it has rusted and deteriorated. It must be removed and a new installation will be built at the site.

FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

LAND USE, VINCENT ACCONERO – There were no formal applications submitted. There was a brief presentation by City Planning prior to the board meeting on Bay Street Corridor and on a new zoning text they are working on for flood resiliency. There will be a few applications in June, there is a possibility of having 2 Land Use Public Hearings and possibly a second Board Meeting to avoid holding a Summer meeting.

TRANSPORTATION, NICHOLAS ZVEGINTZOV – There was no Transportation meeting/

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, CATHERINE PARADISO – We have invited back Health & Hospital Corporation regarding the Gotham Health Center at Vanderbilt and Tompkins Avenues, there are concerns about the Hungerford School buses, parking, the configuration of the building etc.

WATERFRONT, LORETTA CAULDWELL – Mr. Chris Lee, representing the Port Authority will be attending the next Waterfront Committee Meeting.

PUBLIC SERVICES, SUNNY JAIN – Mr. Jain has continued working on Sanitation issues. Mr. Jain also has been attending various meetings with city agencies including meetings on resiliency on the north and south shores. If anyone has any issues on either items or any other items with city agencies please speak with him.

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

RULES & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, CHRISTOPHER ROONEY – No meeting, no report.

BUDGET & FINANCE, ANTHONY COSENTINO – No meeting, no report.

AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

LABOR, JEFREY MOHLENBROK – A brief meeting was held prior to the Board Meeting.

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

CIVIC, VICTORIA GILLEN – No meeting, no report.

CULTURAL AFFAIRS, PEARL MINSKY – Ms. Minsky and her committee have been meeting jointly with the Youth Committee, they are working on a talent show for youth to hold a show in the fall.

AREA COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

SILVER LAKE/SUNNYSIDE/WESTERLEIGH, CAMILLE ZARRELLI/TIMOTHY FORSYTH – The minutes of the meeting are in the packet.

ROSEBANK/FT. WADSWORTH/ShORE ACRES, JOHN GUZZO –Request to send a letter to the Landmark Commission requesting Landmarking St. Mary’s Church 1101 Bay Street. Reverse roll call taken, vote passed unanimously.

MARINERS HARBOR/PORT RICHMOND, JOHN MCBETH – The minutes of the meeting are in the packet.

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

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

