

COMMUNITY BOARD #1 FULL BOARD MEETING DECEMBER 12, 2017 -7:30 P.M.

ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 2329 VICTORY BLVD.

Nicholas Siclari, Chairman

MEMBERS

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

GUESTS

Roland Stewart, Rep. Borough President James Oddo
Troy McGhie, Rep. Councilwoman Debi Rose
Angela Olsen, Rep. MOA Nicole Malliotakis
Jessica Spanton, Rep. Senator Lanza
Nick Circharo, Dept. of Sanitation
Joan Cusack, Director NYC Human Resources Administration
Jenny Fischman, Rep. District Attorney Michael McMahon
Michael Morrell, Pres. Westerleigh Improvement Society
Kattie Grassle, Citizens Committee for NYC
Frank Marra, Clove Lake Civic Assn.
Paul Siesweeda, Gotham Whale
Jorge Villatoro, Big Brothers, Big Sisters of NYC
Eric Patterson, Friends of Westerleigh Park
Marsha Russell, Bay Street Landing
Sarah Gowell, Bay Street Landing
Dr. Carole Reiss, SI Green Charter School
Sarah Gonim, against proposed fracking
Laura Cavalleri, Bay Street Rezoning
Steven Williams, New Brighton resident
Anthony Longobardi
Edwin Velez, West Brighton Resident
Tom Ferrie, Makerspace Radio

OFFICE STAFF

Joseph Carroll, District Manager
Lisa Crosby, Community Coordinator

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll call attendance taken, quorum present.

Motion made seconded and approved to accept November 2017 Board Minutes.

Mr. Paul Siesweeda of Gotham Whale spoke of the collaboration with NY-NJ Harbor and Estuary Program, the US Environmental Protection Agency and the Conference House Park participated in a Citizen Science Monitoring program that provided data collection and water quality parameters at sites along the SI shoreline that had human access but were not monitored by any agency. Sampling and monitoring data was taken at five locations along the southern tip of Staten Island 5 times per month. Results are on file at the Board Office. In addition, Gotham Whale has school trips and provides what and dolphin cruises departing from RISS Landing in Breezy Point. For more information contact 718-474-0555, www.gothamwhale.com or contact Mr. Siesweeda at paul@gothamwhale.org.

Mr. Nicholas Circhao from the Department of Sanitation explained snow removal procedures during snow storms. Sanitation currently on winter schedule with staggered shifts of pick-ups; here is a Meteorologist that predicts the weather 4 times a day; practices runs are done; 900,000 tons of salt is on hand and the trucks are equipped with GPS that tells each driver where to go. For more information you can log onto NYCPOWS.

Mr. Tom Ferrie spoke of Makerspace Radio, he is doing a show on Tuesdays for 4 ½ month's. If anyone would like to be on the show, please contact the Board Office to get in touch with Mr. Ferrie.

PUBLIC SESSION

Ms. Sarah Gronim spoke against proposed fracked gas pipeline in NY Harbor.

Ms. Katie Grassle, Citizens Committee for NYC spoke of neighborhood grants up to \$3,000 for Civic Associations and neighborhood groups. For more information go to www.citizensnyc.org or call 212-822-9563.

Ms. Jenny Fischman representing District Attorney Michael McMahon introduced an Assistant District Attorney from the domestic violence unit and wished everyone a happy holiday.

Ms. Laura Cavalleri spoke about the rezoning of Bay Street, overcrowding of McKee High School and the need for another technical school and a school for dyslexia.

Mr. Jorge Villaturo from Big Brother/Big Sisters of NYC explained that volunteers are needed twice a month to be a big brother or big sister to youth on Staten Island. For more information e-mail info@bigsnyc.org or call 212-686-2042.

Ms. Kelly Vilar spoke of a meeting that was held about the Bay Street Corridor which was very well attended. -

Mr. Troy McGhie representing Councilwoman Debi Rose spoke of a book drive on December 19th, new and lightly used books can be dropped off to the Councilwoman's Office at 130 Stuyvesant Place.

Ms. Jessica Spanton representing Senator Lanza spoke of an information session being held at Senator Lanza's office with representatives from the Department of Finance for tax information for seniors. The session will be held on January 11, 2014 from 2:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.

PUBLIC SESSION CLOSED

OFFICERS REPORTS

FIRST VICE-CHAIRMAN, ANTHONY COSENTINO – No report.

SECOND VICE-CHAIRMAN, CHRISTOPHER ROONEY – Mr. Rooney wished everyone a happy holiday.

THIRD VICE-CHIRMAN, FRIDAY OGBEWELE – Mr. Ogbewele wished everyone a happy holiday.

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

SECRETARY, ANJAIL AMEEN-RICE – No report.

DISTRICT MANAGER, JOSEPH CARROLL – Mr. Carroll wished everyone a happy holiday.

CHAIRMAN, NICHOLAS SICLARI – Mr. Siclari thanked the members for bringing in gifts for the annual Santa visit to Richmond University Medical Center to the pediatric wards. If you would like to help distribute the toys meet in the lobby of RUMC at 6:00. Everyone please stay to enjoy refreshments after the meeting.

FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

LAND USE, VINCENT ACCORNERO – No meeting, there will be a Land Use Public Hearing in January on 754 Targee Street, a special permit application for a drive-thru. Additional items may be added.

TRANSPORTATION, NICHOLAS ZVEGINTZOV – No meeting, no report.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES – No meeting, no report.

PUBLIC SERVICES, SUNNY JAIN – The committee met with Sanitation prior to the meeting tonight. If anyone has any problems with garbage pick-up, please contact Mr. Jain.

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, VICTORIA GILLEN – No meeting, no report.

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

CIVIC, VICTORIA GILLEN – No meeting, no report.

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

VETAN'S AFFAIRS, BOB ZION – No meeting, no report.

AREA COMMITTEE REPORTS

WEST BRIGHTON/ST. GEORGE/TOMPKINSVILLE, LORETTA CAULDWELL – The minutes of the meeting are in the packet. The committee will be meeting at RUMC on the 19th of December at 6:00 to help distribute the toys.

SILVER LAKE/SUNNYSIDE/WATERLEIGH/WILLOWBROOK, CAMILLE ZARRELLI, TIMOTHY FORSYTH – The minutes of the meeting are in the packet, there will be no area committee this month.

ROSBANK/FT. WADSWORTH, SHORE ACRES, JOHN GUZZO – The minutes of the meeting are in the packet. The committee will be meeting on December 19, 2017 – 7:30 at Mt. Carmel Hall, 36 Amity Street.