

COMMUNITY BOARD #1 FULL BOARD MEETING DECEMBER 13, 2016 -7:30 P.M.

ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 2329 VICTORY BLVD.

Nicholas Siclari, Chairman

MEMBERS

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

GUESTS

Len Garcia-Duran, Director SI City Planning
Roland Stewart, Rep. Borough President James Oddo
Kevin Elkins, Rep. NYC Comptroller Scott Stringer
Joan Cusack, Director Human Resources Administration
Jermaine Williams, Human Resources Administration
Jenny Fischman, Rep. District Attorney Michael McMahon
Troy McGhie, Rep. Councilwoman Debi Rose
Elena Brady, Rep. Councilman Steven Matteo
Patrick Lewis, Rep. Public Advocate Letitia James
Michael Morrell, President Westerleigh Improvement Society
Miriam Arnold, Stapleton Resident
Jeanise LaBrew, Westerleigh Resident
Peter Lisi, SI Paramount Theater
Susan Fowler, City Harvest
Chris Maffeo, South Shore Resident
Frank Marra, Clove Lake Civic Association

OFFICE STAFF

Joseph Carroll, District Manager
Lisa Crosby, Community Coordinator
Linda Maffeo, Community Associate

Chairman Nicholas Siclari called the meeting to order at 7:31 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Secretary Anjail Ameen Rice took roll call attendance, quorum present.

Motion made seconded and approved to accept November 2016 full Board Minutes.

PUBLIC SESSION

Victoria Gillen thanked the Board Members for the fruit basket they sent it was very nice and thoughtful.

Jermaine Williams, Human Resources Administration gave HRA updates which included new income limits to apply supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program. Mr. Williams left information in the back of the room on the program and other programs offered by HRA.

Kevin Elkins, representing Comptroller Scott Stringer gave updates on issues the Comptroller has been working on such as working with Governor Cuomo on free college tuitions, and ACS investigations on the Success Academy Schools.

Len Garcia-Duran, Director of SI City Planning spoke of the Bay Street Corridor and its impending certification that should be coming up with the next couple of months.

Jenny Fischman stated she is now working for District Attorney Michael McMahon. Flyers were left regarding holiday safety tips, Veterans Court Peer Mentor Program and what is being done with the w drug epidemic on Staten Island. Ms. Fischman stated Patrick Lewis is the new Outreach Coordinator for Public Advocate Letitia James.

Susan Fowler, City Harvest gave an update.

Dr. David Kim gave a brief presentation on the Beacon Christian Community Health Center located at 2039 Forest Avenue, all of the health programs offered at the center.

Ms. Catherine Paradiso, Health Chairperson presented Dr. David and Janet Kim with a certification of appreciation for the work they do to help keep the north shore and all of Staten Island Healthy.

OFFICERS REPORTS

FIRST VICE-CHAIRMAN, ANTHONY COSENTINO - Wished everyone a happy holiday.

SECOND VICE-CHAIRMAN, CHRISTOPHER ROONEY – Wished everyone a happy holiday.

THIRD VICE-CHAIRMAN, FRIDAY OGBEWELE – Wished everyone a happy holiday.

SECRETARY, ANJAIL AMEEN-RICE – No report.

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

CHAIRMAN, NICHOLAS SICLARI – Chairman Siclari thanked everyone for the hard work and time they put in as a member of Community Board #1. Chairman Siclari also thanked the representatives of the Elected Officials and the Civic leaders and residents – all are invited to stay after the meeting for refreshments.

DISTRICT MANAGER, JOSEPH CARROLL – Mr. Carroll mentioned that DOT will be giving a presentation on the proposed bike lane on Van Duzer and St. Paul's Avenue, etc. at the Stapleton Area Committee Meeting on January 19, 2017 – 7:30 P.M. at the Central Family Life Center, 59 Wright Street. Mr. Carroll wished everyone a happy holiday.

FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

LAND USE, VINCENT ACCORNERO – No report. Mr. Accornero spoke about BSA accountability – they have overturned again one of our decisions –Bard Avenue and Richmond Terrace.

We also are not getting any support from the Department of City Planning regarding the rezoning in Rosebank. Further discussion will be held on both items.

BUDGET & FINANCE, ANTHONY COSENTINO – No report.

TRANSPORTATION, NICHOLAS ZVEGINTZOV – The minutes are in the packet. Page 2 is missing, which mentions a ticket Mr. Zvegintzov received for not paying a fare with a metro card that had money on it. After a couple of times going to court, the ticket was finally dismissed.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, CATHERINE PARADISO – Ms. Paradiso announced that Mr. Carroll and herself attending the groundbreaking for the new Health and Hospital NYC Health + Hospital/Gotham Health center on Vanderbilt Avenue at the corner of Tompkins Avenue. They are going to put a 3 story pre fab building at the site. There will be 17 parking spots. We are going to work with them regarding the bus congestion from the Hungerford School, City bus stop and drop off and pick- ups of patients. We will be meeting with RUMC probably in February to discuss the parking and the new emergency room.

Ms. Paradiso announced there is a Health and Hospital Public Hearing on Thursday, December 15, 2016 6:30 -8:30. Ms. Paradiso is unable to attend. Ms. Claudette Duff will be attending on behalf of Community Board #1.

WATERFRONT, LORETTA CAULDWELL – No meeting. At the next meeting we have invited a representative to give an update on the Wheel and the outlets.

PUBLIC SERVICES, SUNNY JAIN – No meeting. Last month sanitation gave an informative presentation on snow removal.

YOUTH SERVICES, KELLY VILAR – Ms. Vilar asked for a letter of support for the truly organic project on Cleveland Street Block 51 lot 1. Loretta Cauldwell mentioned that she heard the soil was contaminated at the site. **The item was tabled to the next meeting for more information.**

Ms. Vilar asked the board to adopt the Staten Island North Shore Youth Agenda which was e-mailed to everyone and there are hard copies available. There was a long discussion. It was explained that the agenda is to aid the committee and the Youth Chair to be able to speak and address the issues included in the agenda. All of the items were included in Community Board #1 FY 2018 Capital and Expense Budget. **The item was tabled to the next meeting.**

Minutes of the meeting are in the packet.

RULES & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, CHRISTOPHER GREENE – No report.

AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORT

LABOR, JEFFREY MOHLENBROK – No report.

PARKS & RECREATION, MEGAN DELMAR – A presentation was made to the Parks Committee for the rehabilitation of the Stapleton Playground. Mr. John McBeth mentioned he has heard from a few groups about having a dedicated football field rather than having it as a multi-use field. It is going to be very difficult reserving space at the field.

A motion was made to send a letter of support for the rehabilitation of Stapleton Playground.
Hand vote taken, vote passed 35-2-3.

CIVIC, VICTORIA GILLEN – There has been no meeting. One will be set up in the next few months.

CULTURAL AFFAIRS, PEARL MINSKY – No report.

AREA COMMITTEE REPORTS

MARINERS HARBOR/PORT RICHMOND, JOHN MCBETH – A meeting was held, minutes not submitted.

CLIFTON/CONCORD/STAPLETON, LARRY BESLOW – Mr. Beslow had an excused absence. Mr. Doyle reported that a presentation was given by the School Construction Authority for the proposed school at 357 Targee Street.

A motion was made to send a letter of support for the proposed new school at 357 Targee Street.
Reverse roll call vote taken, vote passed unanimously.

WEST BRIGHTON/ST. GEORGE/NEW BRIGHTON, VICKIE FOSSELLA/JEFFREY MOHLENBROK – A meeting was held, no minutes.

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

ROSEBANK/FT. WADSWORTH, JOHN GUZZO – Minutes of the meeting are in the packet.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

MEETING ADJOURNED.