COMMUNITY BOARD #1 FULL BOARD MEETING OCTOBER 12, 2010 ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 2329 VICTORY BLVD. - 8:00 P.M.

Leticia Remauro, Chairwoman

MEMBERS

Vincent Accornero

Anjail Ameen-Rice, Excused

Marilyn Maria Brown

Larry Beslow

Jeannine Borkowski Loretta Cauldwell

Ajmal Chaudhry, Excused

Anthony Cosentino

George Doyle

Linda Eskenas, Bd. Business

Grace Ferranti, Excused

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Timothy Forsyth

John Guzzo Jeanne Hogan

Sunny Jain, Excused

Wilma Jones

Dominick Lambert, Medical Leave

Lisa Lattanzio

Priscilla Marco

Jacob Massaquoi, II

Jeffrey Mohlenbrok

Friday Ogbewele

Vincent Pompa, Excused

Leticia Remauro

Majorie Ryan

John Pabone

Chris Rooney

Nicholas Siclari

John Strandberg, Absent

Sean Sweeney, Excused

Ken Tirado

Harold Wagner

Curt Ward

Mark Washington

George Wonica, Jr.

Camille Zarrelli

Richard Zichettello

GUESTS

James Miraglia, Deputy Director

Christine Johnson, Rep. Councilwoman Rose

David Hernandez, Rep. Councilwoman Rose

Jeanette Beck. Rep. Councilman Oddo

Julie Levine, Rep. Senator Lanza

Mark Zink, Rep. MOA Titone

Ann Clinton, Rep. MOA Hyer-Spencer

Judy Gifford, NYPL, Todt Hill

Michael Morrell, Pres. Westerleigh Improvement Society

Scott Lambdin, Rep. NYPL, St. George

Lauren Schuster, NYPIRG, Tobacco Control

OFFICE STAFF

Joseph Carroll, District Manager Lisa Crosby, Community Associate

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Chairwoman Leticia Remauro called the meeting to order at 8:05 P.M.

Chairwoman Remauro introduced Boy Scout Peter Stasacki a Westerleigh, resident who is working on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.

Pledge of Allegiance

PUBLIC SESSION

Mr. Michael Morrell congratulated Adena Long on her recent promotion as SI Commissioner and looks forward to working with her.

Mr. Cammarano spoke of the numerous accidents at the intersection of Windsor Road and Slosson Avenue. Drivers use Little Clove Road as a service road to a avoid traffic on the SI Expressway. This causes a safety concern and quality of life issue for the school children and the residents in the area. Mr. Cammarana suggested making Little Clove Road a One-Way or make Little Clove Road and Windsor Road "DO NOT ENTER" Monday through Friday before, during and after school.

Ms. Ann Clinton representing Assemblywoman Janelle Hyer-Spencer announced October is Domestic Violence Awareness month. Assemblywoman Janelle Hyer-Spencer's office is collecting clothing for woman and children as well as toiletries and toys. Often the victim of domestic violence leaves with just the clothes on their back.

For the last two years, the Assemblywoman has collected clothing for "Dress for Success", an organization that supplies women re-entering the workforce with appropriate clothing. They have been very successful with the response for clothing that they are doing it again this year for domestic violence victims.

Clothing can be dropped off Monday through Friday from 9:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M. at the Assemblywoman's Office located at 586 Midland Avenue.

Mr. Nate Watkins works with Jacob Massaquoi, II offering the Liberian community services and help.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

<u>FIRST VICE-CHAIRMAN, ANTHONY COSENTINO</u> – A spread sheet was included in the packet of Community Board #1 budget requests for FY 2013. Attached are monetary amounts next to each item.

Motion made and seconded to approve Community Board #1 Capital and Expense requests as submitted. The spread sheet of budget requests is attached. Reverse roll call vote taken. Vote passed unanimously.

SECOND VICE-CHAIRMAN, CHRISTOPHER ROONEY – Mr. Rooney spoke of Adena Long, former Rules & Legislative Chair. Ms. Long has been appointed Commissioner of the SI Parks Department. The Rules & Legislative Affairs Committee is not going to be combined with

the Executive Committee which meets prior to the Board Meeting. If there is a Rules item, the meeting will begin slightly earlier than 7:30 P.M.

Numerous meetings have not had quorums. Business cannot be conducted if members do not attend their area and functional committee meetings. There are by-laws of the board, which are on the website which must be followed.

<u>THIRD VICE-CHAIRMAN, FRIDAY OGBEWELE</u> – Mr. Ogbewele further commented on attendance and urged all members to attend their meetings.

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

SECRETARY, NICHOLAS SICLARI – Mr. Siclari suggested members arrive on time to the Board Meeting.

<u>CHAIRWOMAN, LETICIA REMAURO</u> – Ms. Remauro reminded everyone that the area committees are were the community at large can speak to issues they are having in their area. It is important that the Chairs of the committees make sure their members attend.

Ms. Remauro congratulated Parks Commissioner Adena Long.

Adrienne Abbate, Staten Island Smoke-Free Partnership and Ms. Lauran Schuster, NYPIRH spoke about smoking which is the leading cause of preventable death ion New York City. Both Mid-island and South Shore have the highest percentage of smokers (33%) followed by Port Richmond (22%), Stapleton and St. George (22%). The death rate due to cancer is higher on Staten Island than in NYC overall and lung cancer is the number one cancer-related cause of death among both men and women in this community. Tobacco kills more New Yorkers each year than AIDS, drugs, homicide and suicide combined. Even brief exposure to second hand smoke can lead to more frequent asthma attacks in asthmatic children. Just 30 minute of exposure to secondhand smoke can increase risk of blood clots and slow rate of blood flow. Protect the Environment: 75% of the litter found on NYC beaches is cigarette butts. Cigarette butts are toxic, slow to decompose, costly to manage and growing in volume. The New York City Coalition for a Smoke-Free City wants to make our public parks and beaches smoke-free. They would like support for the NYC Council legislation to make public parks and beaches smoke-free.

<u>DISTRICT MANAGER, JOSEPH CARROLL</u> – Mr. Carroll reminded everyone the smoke-free initiative was first introduced by Judge Fusco who introduced it when he served as Councilman.

PlaNYC which is the Mayor's plan for 2030 which includes Land Use, Waterfront, Green Technology initiatives for all of New York City Including Staten Island. There will be a meeting tomorrow at the Charter School P.S. 58 from 7:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M. to discuss ways to move this plan ahead.

PARLIMENTARIAN, JEANNE HOGAN – No report.

FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

RULES AND LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS – No report.

<u>LAND USE COMMIEE, VINCENT ACCORNERO</u> – The following motions were made, seconded, discussed and voted on:

Department of City Planning Application No. N 110070 ZRY - Lower Density Growth Management Areas Community Facility Text Amendment to amend the Community Facility regulations for medical facilities and day care centers in Lower Density Growth Management Areas.

Motion made and seconded to approve application as presented with the recommendation that Houses of Worships not be excluded and must apply for an authorization if expanding or building a community facility.

Roll call vote taken. Vote passed 26-0-2.

Department of City Planning Application No. 100443 ZAR – authorization requested for proposed site alteration involving disturbance of steep slope, modification of tree preservation requirements, and modification of lot coverage to facilitate the construction of an in-ground swimming pool within the Special Hillsides Preservation District at 115 Hillsides Avenue.

Motion made and seconded to approve the authorization as presented with the condition that shrubs be planted along the whole retaining wall facing Hillside Avenue.

Roll call vote taken. Vote passed 22-4-2.

Board of Standards & Appeals Application No. 758-84-BZ – application submitted to reopen and extend the term of a variance for a term of 10 years at 1444 Clove Road, continued use as a commercial building within a residence district at the corner of Clove Road and Tioga Street.

Motion made and seconded to approve as submitted.

Roll call vote taken. Vote passed 28-0-0.

WATERFRONT, CURT WARD – The minutes are in the packet.

<u>HUMAN SERVICES, LISA LATTANZIO</u> - Last month a demonstration was held by the Board of Elections on the new voting machines. Prior to the meeting tonight we had a presentation from Adrienne Abbate, Staten Island Smoke-Free Partnership.

MOTION

Motion made and seconded to send a letter supporting the NYC Council legislation to make public parks and beaches smoke-free.

Reverse roll call vote taken. Vote failed 16-8-1.

Any member can sign the petition which Ms. Abbate had at the meeting or send a letter on their own behalf.

<u>PUBLIC SERVICES, SUNNY JAIN</u> – The minutes of the meeting are in the packet.

<u>TRANSPORTATION</u>, <u>JEANNE HOGAN</u> – The minutes of the meeting are in the packet.

LABOR, NICHOLAS SICLARI – No report.

<u>YOUTH SERVICES, MARILYN AVERETT</u> – Community Board #1 will soon be having two interns working in the Community Board #1 office from Curtis High School. It worked out really well last year.

The Youth Services Committee would has started an initiative "Give a Kid a Book". Please bring a few dollars to the meeting for the next few months. There is a web-site which sells the classics for \$2. You may also donate new books. The Youth Committee will donate the books which are bought and donated to the schools.

Ms. Averett also asked everyone to bring in non-perishable food to the November Board Meeting. Many children on SI go to bed hungry. Many organizations are in need of food and are making holiday baskets for families.

AREA COMMITTEE REPORTS

<u>CLIFTON/CONCORD/STAPLETON, LARRY BESLOW</u> – There was no quorum present and, no access to the Central Family Life Center.

<u>WEST BRIGHTON/ST. GEORGE, AJMAL CHAUDHRY</u> – A quorum was not present. The discussion which was held is included in the packet.

<u>MARINERS HARBOR/PORT RICHMOND, ANJAIL AMEEN-RICE</u> – 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. WADWORTH, JOHN GUZZO – Minutes of the meeting are in the packet. Chairwoman Remauro allowed residents from Rosebank to speak about trouble they are having with a bar on Bay Street and Maryland Avenue.

The State Liquor Authority and the Deputy Inspector of the 120th Pct. will be invited to the next Human Services Committee Meeting on November 9, 2010.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 P.M.