

## BOROUGH OF STATEN ISLAND

## **COMMUNITY BOARD #3**

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# Parks & Recreation and Environmental Committee Public Hearing Report

**DATE:** June 13, 2023

TIME: 7:00PM IN PERSON: No VIRTUAL: Yes SPEAKER: Yes

## **Committee Members Present**

Frank Morano, *Chairman of the Board*Al Klingele, *Chair*Engjell Lleshi
Nicole Nigro
Anthony Riccardelli

## **Staff**

Charlene Wagner, *District Manager* Stacey Wertheim, *Community Coordinator* Susan LaForgia, *Community Coordinator* 

## **Guests**

Colleen Siuzdak, Administration Coordinator, DPR Borough of Staten Island Christine Dabrow, NYC Parks, Chief Marketing and Development Officer Denise Pacheco, Rep. Assemblyman Michael Reilly Susan Conlon, Richmondtown-Clarke Avenue Civic Association

## **Public Contact Session**

None

**Committee Members Absent** 

Dianne Mattioli

## **Agenda**

New York City Parks presented the **Solar Wind Turbine Pilot Program, Wolfe's Pond Park Beach**. Six (6) solar-wind turbines, or Remote Power Units (RPUs) were installed at Wolfe's Pond Park Beach as a pilot program. The units, manufactured by Aris Wind, through a grant from TD Bank, provide lighting for the park as well as USB charging stations in an area that does not have electricity. Parks is pleased to report that the pilot was a success and that they are moving ahead with an application to the Public Design Commission (PDC) to allow them to remain.

A letter of support is requested and will be provided after the General Board vote.

\* Full presentation on file in the Community Board office.

#### Old Business – None

#### New Business - None

#### **Community Concerns**

- Goodall Street entrance to Crescent Beach Park has a fence blocking the entrance.
- Fairview Park Baseball Field is full of weeds. Trails are also overgrown with weeds. Colleen said it has been brought to their attention and they will address it.

#### **Parks Announcements**

- Beaches are officially open as of Memorial Day Weekend. Swimming is permitted
   10am -6pm while lifeguards are on duty.
- June 29<sup>th</sup> the seven Staten Island city pools will be opened.
- Citywide Parks Initiative *Let's Green NYC* is looking for and recognizing volunteers.

Respectfully submitted,

Blingele

Albert W. Klingele

Chairman, Parks & Recreation and Environmental Committee