

BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 8

**MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 13, 2012
AT RIVERDALE JEWISH CENTER
3700 INDEPENDENCE AVENUE**

PRESENT: R. Abbott, S. Alexander, S. Balicer, R. Bender, S. Catechis, A. Cohen, B. Contant, A. P. Creaney, P. Ellis, R. Fanuzzi, A. G. Feldmeier, B. Fettman, P. Friedman, S. Froot, R. Ginty, N. Graham, M. Khury, D. Kornbluh, I. Ladimer, R. Pochter-Lowe, S. Marquez, D. McShane, A. Moore, P. Mullen, D. Padernacht, L. Parker, K. Pesce, J. M. Pilsner, R. Press, X. Sanchez, I. W. Stone, A. A. Spett, M. Wolpoff, H. Young

ABSENT: D. Kirksey-Floyd, M. Galvin, M. Ginzburg, M. Goodman, M. Heller, D. Lennon, T. Lim, C. G. Moerdler, S. A. Piscitelli, J. M. Reyes, P. Reyes, G. Santiago, L. Spalter, S. Villaverde

STAFF: N. Stent – District Manager
D. Bay – Community Associate
P. Manning – Community Associate

GUESTS: J. Dinowitz – Assemblyman
M. Blaustein – rep. State Senator Jeffrey Klein
T. Colon – Office of Assemblyman Jeffrey Dinowitz
T. Edwards – rep. Councilman Ydanis Rodriguez
R. Fedderman – rep. Congressman Eliot Engel
C. Ortega – rep. Assemblyman Keith Wright
A. Sandler – Office of Councilman G. Oliver Koppell
J. Sonett – rep. State Senator Adriano Espaillat
A. Toledo – rep. Bronx Borough President Ruben Diaz
J. Zaccaro, Jr. – Office of Councilman Fernando Cabrera
N. Danyluk – Department of City Planning
J. Horstman – Department of City Planning
M. Parmar – Department of City Planning
Capt. K. Burke – 50th Precinct, NYPD
P.O. M. Ramos – 50th Precinct, NYPD
T. Tureski – NYPL Spuyten Duyvil Library
R. Britton
P. Brown
R. Brown
B. Downey
C. Downey
J. Dzikas
G. Feliciano
W. Fishman
J. Garlepp
S. Gassman
J. Gordon
W. Guzman
D. Hawkins
R. Inamorato
E. Johnson
B. Kandel
A. Kornfeld
M. Kelly

J. Lynd
A. Martinez
K. Nee
L. Peck
K. Powers
J. Raino
T. Shelton
C. Stanton
J. Sullivan
M. Sullivan
P. Thomas
K. Valyi
M. Lam – Riverdale Review

Vice Chair Khury convened the meeting at 7:40 PM. She advised that Chairman Fanuzzi was detained in transit and would be arriving soon.

1. Public Gallery Session
 - A. Rodney Brown spoke in support of the proposed street naming for Ted Corbitt who was his neighbor in the Marble Hill Houses. He reflected on the strong and lasting encouragement that Mr. Corbitt provided him. Mr. Brown credits his running and physical life style for overcoming obesity, high blood pressure and diabetes, and to that end he credits Ted Corbitt for being an exemplary model for excellent physical fitness to the residents in Marble Hill and throughout.
 - B. Cliff Stanton announced his 4 Wheels for Good senior transportation program. Seniors at least 60 years young can be driven to appointments and errands free of charge. At this time the program is in pilot mode operating on Tuesdays from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM with plans to expand. Call 877-718-2338 for transportation reservations.
 - C. Joe Dzikas spoke in support of the proposed street naming for James Downey. He highlighted his career with the FBI and his strong dedication to Saint Margaret's of Cortona Little League. He was resolute in his determination that no child be left out of the league because of finances. Mr. Downey's personal creed was to live for God, country and community.
 - D. Tim Tureski, Spuyten Duyvil Library, discussed the library funding cuts that will cause loss of Sunday service, impact the book budget and more. He asked for the Board's support of library funding.
 - E. Tracy Shelton, KRV CDC announced the South Riverdale Merchants Association's Holiday Festival to be held on December 2nd. KRV CDC is assisting the Association. She thanked Community Board 8 for its support.

Chairman Fanuzzi arrived and Vice Chair Khury relinquished the chair.

2. Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes of October 10, 2012.

The minutes were approved unanimously.

3. Discussion of Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of November 7, 2012

The meeting was cancelled due to inclement weather.

4. Chairman invited Captain Kevin Burke to address the Board.

- Captain Burke reported on the recent double homicides of a mother and infant daughter by the ex-boyfriend at 3035 Heath Avenue, the boyfriend was arrested six hours later.
- There is a pattern of I-Phone robberies in the area of Henry Hudson Parkway where 8 separate incidents were reported and the most recent was November 11th. The get-a-way car is described as either a gray or silver Charger.
- The NYPD began its annual Coat Drive. Coats can be dropped off at the 50th Precinct, 24 hours a day, and 7 days a week.

5. Chairman invited Assemblyman Jeffrey Dinowitz to address the Board.

- Assemblyman Dinowitz discussed Hurricane Sandy. He participated in conference calls with Con Edison regularly. The Assemblyman has and will continue to urge Con Edison to install power lines underground. The Bronx was the least impacted and ranked No. 10 with loss of lives or homes from the hurricane. The Assemblyman's office is collecting for storm victims (no clothing). He also provided 500 batteries and thanked Board Member Andy Cohen for contributing to this effort. There are other venues such as the Riverdale YM/YWHA and the 50th Precinct that are also accepting contributions.
- There were serious problems with new voting machine scanners at the polls during November 6th Election Day, many scanners were not operating. The Assemblyman stated the need for stable voting equipment to better insure that voters are not disenfranchised.

6. Chairman's Report

Chairman Fanuzzi represented Community Board 8 at the Marble Hill Town Hall forum and thanked board members for their attendance.

7. Treasurer's Report

- The Board's Budget report has been distributed. The status is the same with \$5,000 surplus.
- No further information has been received with respect to community boards' budget cuts.
- S. Alexander asked for clarification with respect to the \$5,000 which is discretionary funding from Councilmen Fernando Cabrera and Ydanis Rodriguez. She questioned if the money could be considered as part of the general board budget since, to her understanding, it is earmarked for special use. P. Friedman advised that the funds are counted as part of the community board budget and can be used within the councilmen's districts.
- P. Friedman explained that he had inadvertently left the flash card for the "Friends of Community Board 8" presentation, and asked the Board for a layover until the December Board meeting. Chairman approved.

8. Report from the Office of the Bronx Borough President – A. Toledo

- FEMA is operating in the Bronx at the County Building in Veterans Hall. They are expected to remain there through the end of November 2012.
- Community Board applications are now available.
- The 2nd Annual Savor the Bronx restaurant week will end on November 16th. For a listing of participating restaurants, visit website: savorthebronx.com and bronxboropres.nyc.gov.

9. District Manager's Report

- N. Stent provided an overview on the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy. She advised that she toured the district on Tuesday, October 30th after the storm and again on Wednesday, October 31st to assess storm related problems which she reported to the relative agencies. Additionally she participated in regular conference calls with Con Edison and kept the Board and community

informed through emails and the e-newsletter on the status of repairs and conditions after the hurricane.

- The Board complimented the District Manager for keeping them informed.

10. Report from the Department of City Planning – N. Danyluk

- Chairman Fanuzzi announced that N. Danyluk would be retiring from City Planning. The Chairman conveyed deep appreciation to N. Danyluk for 20 years of service to Community Board 8 and thanked him for his expertise and guidance with the multitude of Special Natural District applications and zoning issues. Chairman stated that N. Danyluk will be sorely missed. The Board joined the Chair in congratulating Nestor on his retirement.
- N. Danyluk bid the Board farewell and thanked them for participating in the matters of City Planning. He introduced P. Horstman and M. Parmar who would be filling in as temporary representatives to the Board.

11. Second presentation of the Bylaw Revision from the Special Committee on Establishment of a Youth Committee

J. Pilsner thanked the committee members who had served with her on the Special Committee:
A. Cohen, R. Fanuzzi, and X. Sanchez.

J. Pilsner presented the following resolution to amend Community Board No. 8's By-laws:

WHEREAS, a Special Committee on the Establishment of a Youth Committee was formed at the September 11, 2012 meeting of Bronx Community Board No. 8; and

WHEREAS, the Special Committee on the Establishment of a Youth Committee was charged with researching the history, purpose, and possible future form of a Youth Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Special Committee on the Establishment of a Youth Committee met and submitted a report titled the "Report of the Special Committee on the Establishment of a Youth Committee" dated October 1, 2012, and that said report is annexed and made a part hereof;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the By-Laws of Community Board No. 8 are to be amended as follows:

- 1) a "Youth Committee" is added to the list of standing committees contained in Article VI, Sec.1, and;
- 2) Article VI, Sec. 7, sub. C shall be replaced in its entirety with the word "omitted."

Vote: 33 in favor, 0 opposed, and 1 abstention for cause

In Favor -

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Abstention for Cause –

R. Press

12. Election to Fill a Committee Chair Vacancy Pursuant to Bylaws, Article V, Sec. 3 to be conducted in accordance with Bylaws, Article V, Sec.2

Chairman Fanuzzi opened the floor for nominations for the Youth Committee chair.

L. Parker was nominated. The nomination was seconded. L. Parker accepted the nomination. Hearing no other nominations, Chairman closed nominations and called for a vote.

Vote: 33 in favor, 0 opposed, and 1 abstention for cause

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Abstention for Cause –

R. Press

13. Committee Reports –

- A. Aging – A. Cohen

At the November 27th meeting, the Committee will discuss the “For Profit” Adult Day Social facilities with respect to licensing and other issues.

- B. Education – S. Alexander

1. Refer to minutes.
2. Attended Open House at MS/HS 141. S. Alexander was impressed with what was presented.
3. Frank Patterson, Principal of PS 7 will be guest speaker at the Committee’s meeting on November 27th.

- C. Economic Development

P. Ellis reported on behalf of S. Villaverde.

Equity One has acquired the abutting gas station property at West 230th Street off Broadway. It was noted that this additional property was not in the original plans.

In consideration of community members in attendance, Chairman Fanuzzi moved the following two street naming resolutions forward on the agenda:

(1) Proposal for Street Name Change of Broadway between West 225th and West 228th Streets to add “Ted Corbitt Way”

D. Padernacht presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Ted Corbitt died on December 12, 2007 and this resolution is brought more than two years after his death;

WHEREAS, Ted Corbitt has been nominated for the honor of this proposed street change by Saint Stephen’s United Methodist Church, Marble Hill Tenants Association and Marble Hill Reunion and Development Project, Inc. which are three community organizations that are active in Bronx

Community Board 8 and as such, are on the list required to be kept by Bronx Community Board No. 8 under the new City Charter;

WHEREAS, this street has a specific connection to the life of Ted Corbitt because Ted Corbitt resided in the Marble Hill Houses from 1955 to 1972;

WHEREAS, the evidence and testimony presented to Bronx Community Board No. 8 has demonstrated that Ted Corbitt has benefited a cross-section of Bronx Community Board No. 8 and the Borough of the Bronx and the City of New York. Specifically:

Ted Corbitt was an Olympic Marathon Runner who competed in the 1952 Summer Olympics in Helsinki and at various times he held American records in the marathon, the 100-mile run and the 25, 40 and 50 kilometer events.

Ted Corbitt played a central role in many important developments in U.S. distance running, most notably the founding of the Road Runners Club (he was the first president) and the establishment of guidelines for the accurate measurement of long distance courses. In 1959, Mr. Corbitt organized the country's first ultra-marathon, a 30-mile race through New York and its suburbs that pushed beyond the marathon's 26-mile, 385-yard limit.

Ted Corbitt was a professor of physical therapy at Columbia University and New York University and a frequent lecturer at area colleges. Ted Corbitt treated neighborhood residents and helped train Bronx residents who later became physical therapy practitioners. Ted Corbitt supported programs at the St. Stephen's Methodist Church which benefited the community for many years. Ted Corbitt inspired many individuals to live a healthy lifestyle and inspired many young athletes from the Marble Hill area.

WHEREAS, the name change will not engender confusion as there are no other streets with a similar name in the vicinity;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Broadway between West 225th Street to West 228th Street shall be renamed to add the name Ted Corbitt Way.

Vote: 34 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions

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(2) Proposal for Street Name Change of Mosholu Avenue between West 254th and West 256th Streets to add "Jim Downey Way"

D. Padernacht presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, James V. Downey died on August 21, 2009, and this resolution is brought more than two years after his death;

WHEREAS, James V. Downey has been nominated for the honor of this proposed street change by the North Riverdale Baseball League, Saint Margaret of Cortona Church and the Knights of Columbus which are three community organizations that are active in Bronx Community Board 8 and as such, are on the list required to be kept by Bronx Community Board No. 8 under the new City Charter;

WHEREAS, the evidence and testimony presented to Bronx Community Board No. 8 has demonstrated that James V. Downey has benefited a cross-section of Bronx Community Board No. 8 and the Borough of the Bronx and the City of New York;

Specifically, James V. Downey resided in the Riverdale area for more than 50 years and worked for the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Jim Downey devoted countless years to service in Community Board 8. Downey was the Chairman and CEO of the St. Margaret's Athletic Association. Each year, Downey organized fundraising efforts so that children within the community could participate in the league without having to pay for uniforms or various other costs. Downey was one of the organizers and coaches of the North Riverdale Baseball League. For many years, Downey organized an annual community picnic at the Horace Mann School which brought thousands of residents together for a day. Approximately 20 years ago, Downey played a major role in the renovations of St. Margaret of Cortona Church which is one of the institutional staples of Community Board 8. He helped raise money for the effort and personally supervised the remodeling. The evidence provided to our Board shows that James V. Downey was a person that served our community, helped the residents of this community when in need and created a safe and encouraging atmosphere through athletic forums for the children of our community.

WHEREAS, this street has a specific connection to the life of James V. Downey as it is the street where Sid Augarten Field, the ballpark of the North Riverdale Baseball League, is located;

WHEREAS, the name change will not engender confusion as there are no other streets with a similar name in the vicinity;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Mosholu Avenue from West 254th Street to West 256th Street shall be renamed to add the name James V. Downey Way.

Vote: 34 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions

R. Abbott, S. Alexander, S. Balicer, R. Bender, S. Catechis, A. Cohen, B. Contant, A. P. Creaney, P. Ellis, R. Fanuzzi, A. G. Feldmeier, B. Fettman, P. Friedman, S. Froot, R. Ginty, N. Graham, M. Khury, D. Kornbluh, I. Ladimer, R. Pochter-Lowe, S. Marquez, D. McShane, A. Moore, P. Mullen, D. Padernacht, L. Parker, K. Pesce, J. M. Pilsner, R. Press, X. Sanchez, I. W. Stone, A. A. Spett, M. Wolpoff, H. Young

D. Environment and Sanitation – S. Marquez

1. There is a pervasive problem with garbage and litter in the Marble Hill community. S. Marquez will check on getting placement of litter baskets throughout.
2. An area around the Promenade Apartments is in dire need for a cleanup. A meeting is set to resolve the question of property ownership.

E. Health, Hospitals and Social Services – S. Froot

The Committee will meet on November 19th at the Board Office at 7:30 PM.

F. Housing – S. Balicer

1. The Committee will hold a Housing Court forum at its meeting on November 26th at Manhattanville Health Care Center, at 7:30 PM. Panel members are Civil Court Judge Elizabeth Taylor, Housing Court Judge Marian Doherty, Legal Aid and landlord representatives. S. Balicer thanked P. Ellis for arranging the panel and P. Mullen for conducting outreach. Members of the Board were encouraged to take flyers to promote the event.

G. Land Use – M. Wolpoff, Vice Chair

M. Wolpoff thanked N. Danyluk for his many years of working with the Land Use Committee and for his broad oversight. He wished him a long and happy retirement.

M. Wolpoff presented the following resolutions:

1. RESOLVED, Community Board No. 8 Bronx denies applications for 5241 Independence Avenue, Block 5939, Lot 458 as follows:

- A) City Planning Commission Application No. N 120149 ZAX –
for the grant of authorizations involving a development, enlargement or site alteration on a Tier II zoning lot or portion of a zoning lot having a steep slope or steep slope buffer, modifications of botanic environment and tree preservation and planting requirements, and modification of requirements for private roads and driveways on property within the Special Natural Area District.
- B) Board of Standards and Appeals Application No. 259-12-BZ –
Under Zoning Resolution Section 72-21 to permit the construction of a proposed one-family dwelling on a zoning lot that does not have the minimum required lot width required by Zoning Resolution Section 23-32.
- C) Landmarks Preservation Commission Calendar No. 12-9366 –
Application is to construct a new house on a vacant lot in the Riverdale Historic District, Zoned R-1-1, NA-2.

Vote: 33 in favor, 0 opposed, and 1 abstention for cause

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Abstention for Cause –

A. Moore

2. WHEREAS, in and about January 2006 portions of Fieldston were designated a Landmark District (the Fieldston Historic District) by the Landmarks Preservation Commission (“LPC”) and the New York City Council (“City Council”) with the support of Bronx Community Board No. 8 (“CB8”), the Fieldston Property Owners Association (“FPOA”) and Council Member G. Oliver Koppell, among others ; and

WHEREAS, approval of such designation was granted based upon the express representation by LPC, acting through its Chair, Hon. Robert Tierney, its Counsel and others, to the above-named persons and entities, that formal Rules (also termed a “Master Plan”—herein the “Rules”) would be enacted permitting Staff level approvals of certain additions, changes and alterations within the Fieldston Historic District (the effect of which would be to expedite approvals and significantly decrease costs to property owners), such Rules to be similar to those adopted in respect of the Master Plan for the Douglaston Historic District; and

WHEREAS, following inaction by LPC to deliver on its representations, Council Member Koppell and representatives of CB8 and FPOA met with and separately spoke with LPC urging compliance and were assured it would be forthcoming; and

WHEREAS, in and around March 2009 CB8 and FPOA at considerable burden separately prepared and delivered to LPC detailed formal proposals and comments upon draft Rules proposed by Staff of LPC, which then led to a public hearing of LPC on July 9, 2009 at which Staff of LPC made comments favorable to the adoption of formal Rules, noting that as of that time 5 applications had gone through the rigorous process of Commission-level approval but which would have met the far more expeditious Staff-level approval process then under consideration; and

WHEREAS, despite repeated urgings on the part of Council Member Koppell, CB8 and FPOA that the Commission finally act favorably on the promised Rules, the Commission has failed and refused to act for the last 5 plus years; and

WHEREAS, the testimony of property owners and their representatives seeking CB8 approval of changes, additions and modifications in the Fieldston Historic District by LPC under its extant processes has demonstrated a consistent LPC pattern of unwieldy, extraordinarily time consuming and expensive burdens, frequently taking many months and more of time and many thousands of dollars in expense to process applications many of which could have far more expeditiously and cheaply been accomplished under the proposed Rules; and

WHEREAS, the Landmarks Preservation Commission has continued to fail and refuse to adhere to the representations it made to the City Council, to Council Member Koppell, CB8 and to FPOA to enact the promised Douglaston-type Rules (or Douglaston Master Plan) as applicable to the Fieldston Historic District;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Bronx Community Board 8 demands that the Landmarks Preservation Commission finally live up to the promises and commitments it made more than five years ago and enact Douglaston-type Rules or Master Plan for the Fieldston Historic District.

Vote: 33 in favor, 0 opposed, and 1 abstention for cause

In Favor –

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Abstention for Cause –

A.G. Feldmeier

H. Law, Rules and Ethics – R. Ginty

1. R. Ginty presented a resolution for supporting Legislation Int. No. 948 to change the public hearing and notice requirements of the Franchise Concession and Review Committee (FCRC). Discussion ensued. The following amended resolution was presented:

WHEREAS, in February 2011 the Department of Parks & Recreation (DPR) presented to the Parks & Recreation Committee (the Committee) of Bronx Community Board No. 8 (the Board) a plan for a seasonal ice-skating rink in Van Cortlandt Park; and

WHEREAS, that plan subsequently became a Request For Proposals that was subject to Local Law No. 78 governing franchises and concessions, which requires that the Board be informed of the terms and conditions of the proposed agreement “no later than fifteen (15) days immediately

prior to the date of the public hearing” by the Franchise & Concession Review Committee (FCRC); and

WHEREAS, rules governing the Board require ten (10) days notice of a public hearing on a matter; and

WHEREAS, the Board resolved in many meetings during 2011 to hold public meetings and passed resolutions empowering the Committee to act in the name of the full Board in that regard only to have to cancel such meetings repeatedly when DPR informed the Committee that it was not ready to present a proposed agreement to FCRC; and

WHEREAS, on October 11, 2012 the City Council introduced legislation (Int. No. 948) to change the public hearing and notice requirements of the FCRC to allow sufficient time for community board review of proposals including a public meeting;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Bronx Community Board No. 8 supports Int. No. 948 and urges the City Council to hold a committee hearing and adopt the proposed legislation.

Vote: 34 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions

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2. R. Ginty presented a resolution geared at achieving greater member participation in the nomination and selection of candidates for the Board’s yearly elections of officers and committee chairs.

The resolution was amended to exclude article “c.” The resolution passed as amended. Section C was referred to Law, Rules and Ethics Committee for further study.

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Community Board to achieve greater member participation in the nomination and selection of officers of the Community Board and chairpersons of its committees for the management of Community Board operations;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

(a) When the nominating committee is elected, there will be a statement that all officer and chair positions are to be considered open and available for nominations.

(b) Within five (5) business days of the formation of the nominating committee, each current chair or officer shall notify such committee of his or her intention not to be considered for renomination. The nominating committee will then notify all board members of such position(s) within 24 hours of such notification.

Vote: 34 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions

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- I. Libraries and Cultural Affairs – R. Abbott

1. The Libraries survived Hurricane Sandy pretty well. Jerome Park Library with few problems and the Bronx Library Center will be closing earlier due to the storm.
2. Discussed budget cuts facing NY Public Library.

J. Parks and Recreation – B. Bender

1. Hurricane Sandy brought down trees on streets and in parks. Parks downed trees were cleaned within one week. Hackett Park is still closed.
2. Refer to October minutes.
3. The next meeting will be held on November 28th, at the Board Office, at 7:00 PM.

K. Public Safety – A. Feldmeier

1. CERT was activated across the City in the wake of Hurricane Sandy.
2. The Committee will hold its next meeting on November 15th, at the 50th Precinct, at 7:00 PM.
3. Due to a clerical error, the minutes and resolutions for liquor license were not prepared for the board.
4. A. Feldmeier reported that a concern was brought to her attention concerning IBIZA Lounge of which she wanted to apprise the Board. Chairman recommended matter be brought back to committee.

L. Traffic and Transportation – D. Padernacht

1. The Committee will meet on November 20th, at Amalgamated Houses, at 7:30 PM. Procedures for Street Activities Permits will be reviewed.
2. The installation of the street naming for Howard Padernacht on Giles Place will take place on November 17th. All are invited.

M. Youth – L. Parker

1. The Committee met and had discussion with a representative from DYCD regarding the Neighborhood Advisory Board.
2. Applications for the NY Yankees Leadership Awards were reviewed. Five of seven youths were selected.
3. The Community Centers had no storm damage other than Kingsbridge Heights which had two days of a power outage.
4. Van Cortlandt Golf and Stables have generously offered Youth Days that will be worked on further in the committee.

N. Budget – B. Contant

The responses from city agencies to the budget requests are awaited.

Meeting adjourned 10:08 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Manning
Community Associate

Reviewed by:

Joyce Pilsner
Secretary