

COMMUNITY BOARD #1 FULL BOARD MEETING, JANUARY 13, 2015 – 8:00 P.M.
ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 2329 VICTORY BLVD.

Leticia Remauro, Chairwoman

MEMBERS

Vincent Accornero
Anjail Ameen-Rice
Larry Beslow, Excused
Andrew Blancero
Telee Brown, Excused
Loretta Cauldwell
Anthony Cosentino
Megan Delmar
George Doyle
Linda Eskenas
Thomas Ferrie
Timothy Forsyth
Victoria Gillen
Christopher Greene
John Guzzo
Sunny Jain
Robert Honor Excused
John Keiser, Excused
Lisa Lattanzio, Excused
Priscilla Marco
John McBeth
Norman Light
Pearl Minsky
Jeffrey Mohlenbrok
Friday Ogbewele
Olaf Olsen, Leave
Ernest Paige Excused
Catherine Paradiso
Fran Reali
Leticia Remauro
Chris Rooney
Marjorie Ryan
Nicholas Siclari
James Samuels
George Sona
George Turner
Kelly Vilar
Daniel Williams
Camille Zarrelli
Richard Zichettello
Nicholas Zvegintzov

GUESTS

Borough Commander Edward Delatorre
Lieutenant Tania Kinsella, Patrol Borough
Sergeant Yuriy Chuyko Community Affairs Bureau, 1 PP
Sgt. Cunningham Candice, Community Affairs Bureau, 1 PP
P.O. Quania Rios, 120 Pct. Community Affairs
Leah Arato, Rep. Public Advocate Letitia James
Jenny Fischman, Rep. Public Advocate Letitia James
Brandon Patterson, Rep. Senator Savino
Troy McGhie, Rep. Councilwoman Debi Rose
Lorraine Scanni, Rep. Councilman Steven Matteo
Tom Feeney, Rep. MOA Matt Titone
Sylvia Ancrom, Rep. MOA Matt Titone
Cara Buominconti, Rep. MOA Nicole Malliotakis
Kelvin Elkins, Rep. Comptroller Scott Stringer
Tesa Arozqueta, Mayor's Office to Combat Domestic Violence
Indhira Castro, " " " " " "
Detective Edward Patterson, Borough Command
Kathleen Sforza, Northfield Community LDC
Bill LaCurtis, Department of Parks & Recreation
Tony Arcamone, Department of Parks & Recreation
Susan Fowler, City Harvest
Jermaine Williams, NYC Human Resources Administration
Michael Morrell, Pres. Westerleigh Improvement Society
Eric Patterson, Westerleigh Improvement Society
Georgette Lakeman, Friends of Westerleigh Park
Barbara Sanchez, Committee to Save Mt. Manresa
Bob Zion, St. George Civic Assn.
Alexander Loutsky, Seneca Street
George & Danna Cusack, Manor Road
Andrew Johnson, Columbia Journalism Student

OFFICE STAFF

Joseph Carroll, District Manager
Lisa Crosby, Community Associate

Chairwoman Leticia Remauro called the meeting to order at 8:04 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call attendance.

Motion made seconded and approved to accept December 2014 Board Minutes.

Ms. Tesa Arozqueta & Indhira Castro from The Mayor's Office to Combat Domestic Violence (OCDV), established in 2001, oversees the citywide delivery of domestic violence services, develop policies and innovative programs, and works with diverse communities, City agencies, community based organizations and local leaders to raise awareness about domestic violence and strengthen the safety net for victims and their children.

One of the programs offered on Staten Island is the Staten Island DVRT seeks to reduce the incidence of homicide by providing rapid response to high risk cases of intimate partner violence. DVRT facilitates interagency coordination and collaboration and creates individualized action plans to quickly and effectively meet the service and safety needs of clients.

Mr. Tony Arcamone, New York City Department of Parks & Recreation Manager spoke of lifeguard recruitment. The Parks Department will provide free training for Lifeguards to work either at the City Pools or Beaches. The website is <http://www.nyc.gov/parks>. For any questions contact lifeguard@parks.nyc.gov.

Susan Fowler, from City Harvest spoke of the new Mobile Market held twice a month every first Wednesday and 3rd Saturday in the basketball court directly in front of the senior center located at 22 Roxbury Street from 9:30 A.M. – 11:30 A.M Ms. Fowler also spoke about the NY Plate Challenge – West Africa. For more information e- mail sfowler@cityharvest.org

Jermaine Williams, from the Human Resources Administration spoke of a few programs that HRA offers including people living in shelters transitioning into stable housing. A new program with City's Municipal ID, just launched which will give all ID card holders access to one-year free membership packages at 33 of the City's leading cultural institutions, including world class museums, performing arts centers, concert halls, botanical gardens, and zoos in all five boroughs. The Municipal ID/CIG one-year membership will be comparable to each institution's standard one-year individual or family membership package, depending on the institution, and will give ID card holders a range of benefits including free admission, and access to special events, and discounts to museum shops.

The 33 institutions belong to the Cultural Institutions Group (CIG) which is comprised of private nonprofit cultural organizations located on City owned property. The first member of the CIG, the American Museum of Natural History, was created in 1869 and the group has grown to include a diverse cross section of institutions in each of the boroughs. The City provides capital, operating and energy support to CIG members and in turn each institution is charged with providing access to cultural services and programming to all New Yorkers.

Booklets with information on the program were left.

Ms. Kathleen Sforza spoke of a meeting to all residents that were affected by Sandy regarding flood insurance mas and recovery meeting which was changed due to the weather St. Charles Church, on February 11, 2015 – 7:30 P.M.

Ms. Jenny Fischman, Outreach Coordinator, Public Advocate Letitia James introduced herself and left a community update flyer.

Kevin Elkins Comptroller Scott Stringer introduced herself and left a booklet in the back of the room "A Year in Review" outlining what the Comptroller has done.

Mr. Andrew Johnson, a Columbia Journalism School student asked to interview any members, residents that have signed up for the affordable care act. You can reach Mr. Johnson at 347-755-7474 or e-mail at arj2127@columbia.edu.

Mr. Bill LaCurtis, New York City Parks & Recreation spoke of free programs offered by the Parks Department in every neighborhood for Shape Up NYC Classes. For more information log onto nyc.gov/parks or e-mail Mr. LaCurtis at bill.lacurtis@parks.nyc.gov

Ms. Barbara Sanchez, Committee to Save Mount Manresa thanked the Community Board for its work with Savo Brothers for at least temporarily stopping the demolition. In addition Ms. Sanchez thanked the Board in helping with the rezoning application.

Sergeant Yuriy Chuyko Community Affairs Bureau, 1 Police Plaza spoke of programs offered to the community such as finger printing for children, which, if a child goes missing helps aid the police in locating them. A rock wall is available for block parties etc. for the children by the Police Department. For further information contact Sergeant Chuyko at yuriy.chuyko@nypd.org

Borough Commander Edward Delatorre and Detective Edward Patterson, Borough Command asked for help in locating the assailant that stabbed a 9 year old boy multiple times on Union Avenue by Leyden Avenue. There are no solid leads in the case. One resident had very vague video image of the assailant. If anyone has information please contact Detective Edward Patterson at 718-697-8712 or Detective Borough Staten Island - 718-876-8196.

Borough Commander Edward Delatorre introduced Lieutenant Tania Kinsella from the Borough. If anyone needs anything from the Borough, wants to give information on anything please contact her at Tania.Kinsella@nypd.org.

Borough Commander Delatorre spoke of programs that the PD has been using such as Narcan if someone has overdosed. Every Police Officer in Staten Island had to receive a prescription from the PD doctor in order to administer it. Many lives have been saved from the use of Narcan.

The PD along with the District Attorney's Office has also been trying to control alcohol and drug abuse amongst teenagers in the Borough. If police see a teen/s and suspect they are drunk or on drugs they can bring them to the local emergency room, have them tested and contact their parents and direct them to where they can get help.

The PD has also been working diligently in the housing projects with persons loitering in hallways etc.

The Commander urged residents to get involved with their local precincts, go to the Community Council Meetings etc.

OFFICERS REPORTS

FIRST VICE-CHAIRMAN, ANTHONY COSENTINO – We are awaiting the Mayor's response to our budget requests. As soon as we receive them we will set up a Steering/Budget Meeting.

SECOND VICE-CHAIRMAN, CHRISTOPHER ROONEY – No report.

THIRD VICE-CHAIRMAN, FRIDAY OGBEWELÉ – No report.

SECRETARY, NICHOLAS SICLARI – No report.

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

CHAIRWOMAN, LETICIA REMAURO – spoke about the meeting that was held with Councilwoman Debi Rose City Planning Director Len Garcia-Duran, Paul Graziano, Barbara Sanchez, Vincent Accornero, Larry Beslow, John Guzzo and Joseph Carroll regarding co-applicants Rosebank Homeowners Association with Community Board #1 putting in an application to downzone portions of Rosebank and Stapleton.

The Chairwoman, Land Use Chair, District Manager and a few others have been meeting with NYC EDC representatives regarding the best use to benefit the waterfront with the new developments that are coming i.e., the Wheel, Empire Outlets, the hotel. What is needed in terms of transportation, new development etc. If anyone has any ideas please e-mail them to either Joe Carroll at sicb1@si.rr.com or to Lisa at lcrosby@cb.nyc.gov. We have sent out e-mails to many businesses, associations etc. asking for their input. We have received a few.

DISTRICT MANAGER, JOSEPH CARROLL – Mr. Carroll spoke about the old coast guard base that we had requested about 10 years ago to redevelop. Funding has just been approved.

FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

LAND USE, VINCENT ACCORNERO – There was no meeting. There will be a meeting next month prior to the Board Meeting with the Stapleton Area Committee regarding a new mixed use building at 631 Bay Street and any other applications that may come in prior to that date.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, CATHERINE PARADISO – No report.

LABOR, NICHOLAS SICLARI – No report.

PUBLIC SERVICES, SUNNY JAIN – The committee met prior to the Board Meeting with representatives from the Parks Department.

YOUTH SERVICES, KELLY VILLAR – The minutes of the meeting are in the packet. If anyone is interested in joining the committee they meet the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 P.M. at Brighton Heights Church, 320 Brighton Avenue.

RULES & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, PRISCILLA MARCO – The minutes of the meeting are in the packet.

BUDGET & FINANCE, ANTHONY COSENTINO – The report is under the First-Vice-Chairman.

TRANSPORTATION, RICHARD ZICHETTELO – No report.

AD HOC - LANDMARK COMMITTEE, NICHOLAS ZVEGINTZOV – Mr. Zvegintzov has reached out to many of the applicants who were affected by the change of the Landmark Preservation Commission rescinding applications that were submitted. Most of them did not want their property landmarked.

AREA COMMITTEE REPORTS

MARINERS HARBOR/PORT RICHMOND AREA COMMITTEE, ANJAIL AMEEN-RICE – The minutes of the meeting are in the packet.

CLIFTON/CONCORD/STAPLETON, LARRY BESLOW – The minutes of the meeting are in the packet.

WEST BRIGHTON/WEST NEW BRIGHTON/NEW BRIGHTON/ST. GEORGE, LORETTA CAULDWELL – No meeting, no report.

SILVER LAKE/SUNNYSIDE/WESTERLEIGH/WILLOWBROOK, CAMILLE ZARRELLI, TIMOTHY FORSYTH – No meeting, no report.

ROSEBANK/FT. WADSWORTH, JOHN GUZZO – No meeting, no report.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Motion made and seconded to adjourn.