



The
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BOROUGH OF STATEN ISLAND
COMMUNITY BOARD 3

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GENERAL BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

March 26, 2013

The next monthly General Board Meeting of Staten Island Community Board #3 will be held on Tuesday, April 23, 2013 at the **CYO/MIV COMMUNITY CENTER AT MOUNT LORETTO**, 6451 Hylan Blvd., Staten Island, N.Y. 10309 at 7:30 p.m. The full calendar of meetings and agendas can be viewed at www.nyc.gov/sicb3.

The Agenda for the General Board Meeting will be as follows:

- 1. Attendance**
- 2. Community Contact Session**
- 3. Minutes**
- 4. Officer's Reports**

Chairman of the Board	Frank Morano
1 st Vice Chairman	John Donohue
2 nd Vice Chairwoman	Phyllis Catania
3 rd Vice Chairman	Thomas Barlotta
Treasurer	Diane Peruggia
Secretary	Frank Contrera
- 5. District Manager's Report** Charlene Wagner
- 6. Committee Reports**

Budget	Albert Esposito
Environmental	Patricia Maresca
Ethics, Rules, Bylaws & Regulations	James Gallagher
Land Use, Planning and Zoning	Thomas Barlotta
Parks and Recreation	Thomas Zablocki
Quality of Life	Patricia Conway – Harold Kozak
Traffic and Transportation	Frank Contrera
- 7. Old Business**
- 8. New Business**
- 9. Adjournment**

Please note: All Committee Chairmen MUST submit written reports at least one week prior to the regular Board Meeting. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please notify the District Manager or Chairman at (718) 356-7900.

ATTENDANCE

Members Present:

Canlon, Edward
Catania, Phyllis
Centineo, Philip
Coghlan, Robert
Contrera, Frank
DeRosa, Frank
Dipilato, Michael
Donahue, Patrick
Donohue, John
Esposito, Albert
Farak, Sherif
Fehling, George
Felicetti, John
Geary, Jeffrey
Goldman, Jerry
Klinge, Albert
Kozak, Harold
Maresca, Patricica
Morano, Frank
Napoli, Helen
Peruggia, Diane
Raner, Dawn
Ruch, Alice
Sansone, Maribel
Venuto, Danny
Zablocki, Thomas

Members Absent:

Ajello, Daniel
Amerosi, Gerald
Barlotta, Thomas
Cappucci, Charles
Cassese, John P.
Conway, Patricia
Gallagher, James
Killips, William
Lauria, Verna
McKeon, Dennis

Community Board Staff Present:

Charlene Wagner, District Manager
Stacey Wertheim, Community Coordinator

Guests:

Isabella Cardona, representing Mayor Michael Bloomberg
Patrick Ryan, Director of Staten Island External Affairs, Mayor's Office of Housing Recovery
Operations
Anthony Reinhart, representing New York State Senator Andrew J. Lanza
Robert McFeeley, representing Borough President James Molinaro
Paul Marrone, representing Assemblywoman Nicole Malliotakis
David Carr, representing Assemblyman Joe Borelli
Frank Rapacciuolo, representing Councilman Vincent Ignizio

AJ Basile, representing Councilman James Oddo
Cindy Voorspuy, City of New York Parks and Recreation
Dee Vandenburg, representing Staten Island Taxpayers Association Inc.
Christine Crouch, representing Port Richmond C.E.R.T
Ann Parascandola
Nicholas Rizzi, representing DNAInfo.com
Jerry Lin, Shen Yun 2013, Chinese Performing Arts

PUBLIC CONTACT SESSION

NYC Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery Program

Patrick Ryan, Director of Staten Island External Affairs, Mayor's Office of Housing Recovery Operations

- New Yorkers living and working in communities affected by Hurricane Sandy continue to face many challenges as they rebuild their homes, restore their businesses and get their lives back to normal.
- On January 29, 2013, President Obama signed into law the “Disaster Relief Appropriations Act, 2013” (Public Law 113-2) which provides \$16 billion in Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds to repair and restore areas affected by Hurricane Sandy.
- The City’s first round of CDBG-DR funds is \$1.77 billion. The City has developed a partial Action Plan (“Action Plan A”) that details how we will use this funding to help New Yorkers rebuild their homes, businesses and communities. We spoke with elected officials, community members, and home and business owners to create a plan that will best serve those recovering from Hurricane Sandy.
- We need New Yorkers to review Action Plan A and give your feedback. From today until April 4, 2013, the City will accept comments and incorporate them into the final Action Plan A that we will submit to the federal government. Comments must be received no later than Thursday, April 4, 2013.
- For more information visit www.nyc.gov/recovery

Shen Yun Performing Arts

Jerry Lin

- Based in New York, Shen Yun is a nonprofit organization that is reviving authentic Chinese culture.
- Lincoln Center Performance April 20-28, 2013. For more information visit www.shenyun2013.org

Staten Island Taxpayers Association Inc.

Dee Vandenburg, President Staten Island Taxpayers Association Inc.

- The NYC Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery Program Partial Action Plan A is the City’s initial allocation of CDBG-DR funding which is \$1,772,820.00. The City’s Partial Action Plans detail how the City intends to use the first allocation to fulfill unmet funding needs.
- The Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recover funds are administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

- Potential problems for Staten Island:
 - The public contact review is only open until April 4, 2013. The NYC CDBG-DR is a 199 page document. This will be the only time to incorporate public contact into the final Action Plan A which will then be submitted to the federal government. Two weeks is an insufficient amount of time for something of this magnitude.
 - Section XII. Long-Term Recovery Planning. In neighborhoods affected by the storm and by shifts in coastal flood hazards, which necessitate changes to the form of buildings, local planning studies and community outreach will be required to identify and implement land use and zoning changes to facilitate rebuilding and increased resilience. Staten Island Taxpayers Association along with Senator Andrew Lanza has fought long and hard to down-zone areas on Staten Island to preserve the character of the neighborhoods. Zoning changes (up-zoning, higher density) will be detrimental to Staten Island.
 - The top priorities for the city should be to restore the environment and to rebuild the infrastructure. We do not have what the rest of the city has, storm sewers and sanitary sewers. Until that is done, the city cannot focus on rebuilding neighborhoods.

NYC Mayor's Community Affairs Unit

Isabella Cardona, Staten Island Borough Director

- Community Mold Remediation Training – Learning the basics of mold remediation
Saturday March 30, 2013 from 1pm to 4mp
Oasis Church, 539 Greeley Avenue, Staten Island, NY 10306

MINUTES

MOTION: by **Helen Napoli** “to accept the General Board Minutes of February 26, 2013”

SECOND: **Frank DeRosa**

VOTE: **24-0-0** (24 board members in attendance at this time)

MOTION: **PASSED**

Chairman's Report – **Frank Morano**

- Frank Morano wished everyone a happy and healthy Easter and Passover holiday
- Albert Esposito has resigned from Community Board #3 effective March 26, 2013.

1st Vice Chairperson – **John Donohue**

No Report

2nd Vice Chairperson – **Phyllis Catania**

No Report

3rd Vice Chairperson – **Thomas Barlotta**

No Report

Secretary – **Frank Contrera**

No Report

Treasurer – **Diane Peruggia**

No Report

District Manager's Report – Charlene Wagner

No Report

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BUDGET – Albert Esposito

No Report

ENVIRONMENTAL – Patricia Maresca

No Report

ETHICS, RULES & BY-LAWS – James Gallagher

No Report

LAND USE – Thomas Barlotta

15 thru 49-13A – BERKSHIRE LANE (Veterans Road East) - Block 7094 - Nos. 16, 20, 24, 28, 32, 36, 40, 44, 48, 52, 56, 60, 64, 68, 75, 78, 79, 84, 85, 89, 90, 93, 96, 99, 102, 105, 108, 109, 115, 119. WILTSHIRE LANE Nos. 19, 23, 27, 31, 35. (LOTS 70, 69, 68, 67, 66, 65, 62, 61, 60, 59, 57, 56, 55, 54, 53, 52, 51, 50, 49, 48, 47, 46, 45, 44, 43, 41, 40, 39, 38, 37, 36, 35, 34, 33, 32) Borough of Staten Island, N.Y. 10309 – An appeal to construct thirty-five (35) one and two-family dwellings, within an R3-1 (SRD) zoning district contrary to General City Law 36.

MOTION: by Jeffrey Geary *“to accept the application based upon the approvals that have been submitted.”*

SECOND: Jerry Goldman

VOTE: 26-0-0 (26 board members in attendance at this time)

MOTION: PASSED

Frank Morano – Chairman

- When a motion reviewed at the General Board Meeting is returned to a committee meeting for further review, the person/persons making that request will be required to attend that committee meeting.

PARKS & RECREATION – Thomas Zablocki

No Report

QUALITY OF LIFE – Patricia Conway / Harold Kozak

Self-Explanatory

MOTION: by Harold Kozak *“that Community Board #3 send a letter to the State Legislators requesting they change the existing laws to be stricter in dealing with drivers who commit vehicular homicide while driving intoxicated as well as with drivers who are repeat offenders.”*

SECOND: Phyllis Catania

VOTE: 24-0-0 (24 board members in attendance at this time)

MOTION: PASSED

MOTION: by Harold Kozak “that Community Board #3 send a letter to our State Legislators opposing the cuts proposed by Governor Cuomo’s \$240 million cuts for the developmentally disabled within our community.”

SECOND: Patrick Donahue

VOTE: 24-0-0

MOTION PASSED (24 board members in attendance at this time)

Jerry Goldman-Community Board #3 Board Member

Attended the 122pct. Council Meeting on March 20, 2013

Topics of Discussion:

- Illegal use of dirt bikes throughout the community.
- Drug sales on Lincoln Avenue.
- Post Sandy Environment – looting and squatters.

TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION – Frank Contrera

Self-Explanatory

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

- NYC Safe Disposal Event – April 28, 2013, Staten Island Mall Parking Lot F
- Stand Together Resources Fair for Autism Services – April 13, 2013, Educational Complex Gymnasium at Petrides from 10:00am to 2:00pm
- The May 2013 General Board Meeting will not be held at the CYO/MIV Center.

MEETING ADJOURNED: Frank Morano

Respectfully submitted,

Frank Contrera

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Secretary