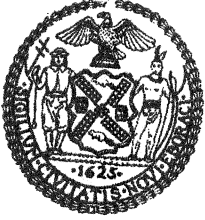


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THOMAS J. BROWN,
DISTRICT MANAGER

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 21, 1985 AT THE R.A.I.N.

SENIOR CENTER

The meeting was called to order at 8:26 P.M. by Lee Mager, Chairman.

I. Assemblyman Angelo Del Toro

Assemblyman Del Toro stated that he was the Chairman of the Assembly's Social Services Committee in Albany. He discussed the new programs that Governor Cuomo has proposed. One of those programs was a teenage pregnancy program. He stated that the age that women are now having babies is between 13-17 years of age. Assemblyman Del Toro stated that these mothers require public assistance for at least twelve years. He discussed the Teenage Pregnancy Prevention Program and explained in detail why it should help.

Assemblyman Del Toro said that there is monies to place people in jobs and for job training programs. He asked the community for input and stated that two-thirds of the State budget is spent on Social Services and we must make sure it is spent wisely.

Assemblyman Del Toro discussed a new system of giving out public assistance and food stamps which he had helped to get passed, and he explained how it will be cost efficient. He also discussed the use of third party insurance and Medicaid in order to save money.

II. Gallery Session

a. Mr. Fred Federico - representing Frank Padella, owner of 2030 Williamsbridge Road

Mr. Federico read from a letter sent to Congressman Biaggi, Assemblyman Engel, Councilman Crispino and the Environmental Protection Administration regarding 2024 Williamsbridge Road. He stated that 2024 Williamsbridge Road is in an R32-C2 zone. Mr. Federico stated that the owner had received a Certificate of Occupancy for light manufacturing. The property was sold five years ago and the present owner has begun to transform it into an industrial enterprise dealing initially in tile and ceramics. He stated that they are now into heavy industrial marble cutting and polishing. Mr. Federico stated that this has caused noise, air and water pollution.

Chairman Mager stated that the Board would look into this.

b. Dr. Henry Klotz - 1935 Eastchester Road

Dr. Klotz spoke about a parking lot in his building owned by Einstein Hospital which he uses. He stated that he had received a letter that said that no longer would there be assigned spots, and that every two weeks fifty more parkers would be permitted into the lot. Dr. Klotz said that there are one hundred non tenants using the garage now and more non tenants will cause problems. He said that security locks have been broken on the garage and have not been repaired. There is more chance of an accident if people are driving around looking for a spot. He also said that tenants are not being given a priority in getting spots.

Chairman Mager asked Dr. Klotz to send a letter to Mr. Ernest Odierna, Chairman of the Highways Committee and Mr. Bill Liblick, Chairman of the Health and Social Services Committee.

c. Ms. Ann Johnson - 1588 Yates Avenue

Ms. Johnson spoke about construction which the Albert Einstein College of Medicine is doing at one of their parking lots near her house. She stated that she had learned that it was going to be a three story building. Ms. Johnson said that she wanted to know what was going to be built on that site.

Mr. Frank Muccioli asked Ms. Johnson to send a letter to the District Manager and told her that she would receive an answer on this matter.

d. Ms. Thal Davis

Ms. Davis stated that today was the opening of the new cardiac telemetry unit at Bronx Municipal Hospital Center. She explained in detail what this unit would be doing for the patients and their families.

e. Mr. John DiCicco - Zerega Avenue Community Association

Mr. DiCicco spoke about Wendy's which wants to open at 2703 East Tremont Avenue. Mr. DiCicco stated that what is needed in the Square is a municipal parking lot.

Chairman Mager welcomed Police Officers Jim Strafella and Richard DiVico from Community Affairs of the 49th Precinct, Mr. Victor Tosi, representing Senator Calandra, Ms. Jeannie Noto, representing Assemblyman Engel, Ms. Peggy Braverman, District Leader and Mr. Eric Barr of the Comptroller's Office.

Chairman Mager reported that Ms. Blanche Rifkin has been named to the Advisory Board of Bronx Municipal Hospital Center.

II. Minutes

A Motion was made by Mr. Dominic Castore, seconded by Ms. Blanche Rifkin and Mr. Abraham Pereira and passed, that the Minutes be accepted as received.

III. District Manager's Report - Mr. Thomas Brown, District Manager

District Manager reported that the District Service Cabinet Minutes had been sent out from the January meeting. He stated that copies of the budget testimony that he had given last Wednesday at the City Planning Commission on the 1986 Capital Budget and Community Development Program had also been sent out.

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Street Activity Permit

District Manager stated that an error had been made in listing this permit. He stated that it is for Bronx House and not Jewish Community Council of Pelham Parkway. District Manager stated that this was approved by the Executive Committee unanimously.

IV. Borough President's Report - Ms. Annette Marchitello

Ms. Marchitello reported that the Board of Estimate had approved a contract between the New York City Department of General Services and Cherayeff and Geismar Assoc. for the design fabrication, delivery, and installation of art work for the forty-ninth Precinct totaling \$33,000.

Ms. Marchitello also reported that the Borough President of the Bronx had accepted an agreement in connection with a map change eliminating a portion of Chesbrough Avenue from Blondell Avenue to a line one hundred feet east of Blondell Avenue. She stated that the Board of Estimate had approved this map change.

Ms. Marchitello reported that the Board of Estimate had approved a contract between the New York City Youth Bureau and the Children's Aid Society for the operation of family mediation family counseling services totaling \$57,609.

Mr. Odierna asked that Bronx artists be used for the Precinct.

V. Committee Reports

A. Land Use - Mr. Kenneth Gelnick, Chairperson

1. 949-57 BZ - 2100/10 Williamsbridge Road - Application to extend by ten years a Variance which permits the operation of a gasoline station in an R3-2 zone.

Discussion took place on this.

A Motion was made by Mr. Dominic Castore, seconded by Mr. Robert Black and carried unanimously, that Community Board #11 go on record to the Board of Standards and Appeals approving this Variance extension for 2100/10 Williamsbridge Road and ask that it waive its rules of procedure owing to the lateness of the application.

2. 1924-61 BZ - 610 Pelham Parkway South - Application to amend existing Variance to permit certain structural changes to the building.

A great deal of discussion took place on this.

A Motion was made by Mr. Robert Black, seconded by Mr. Lewis Goldstein and passed with 12 in favor, 10 opposed and 3 abstentions that this Variance amendment be denied.

3. Scheduling of Public Hearing

a. 850412 - Application to dispose of by sale or lease property at 542 Van Nest Avenue and 1306 Cooper Avenue.

Some discussion took place on this.

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A Motion was made by Mr. Robert Black, seconded by Ms. Elizabeth Brown and carried with 13 for, 2 opposed and 2 abstentions, that Community Board #11 waive a Public Hearing and approve the sale or lease of these properties.

b. 480-74 BZ - Application to extend by ten years a Variance which permits the enlargement of an accessory parking and sales area in conjunction with a new car sales room at 2531/41 East Tremont Avenue, a portion of which is in an R5 zone.

Some discussion took place on this.

c. 88-85 BZ - Application for a Special Permit to allow drive-thru facility for a proposed restaurant to be located at 2703 East Tremont Avenue in and C1-2 zone.

Some discussion took place on this.

A Motion was made by Mr. Robert Black, seconded by Mr. Frank Muccioli and carried, that Community Board #11 hold a Public Hearing on these two Variance, and that the Executive Board set the date of the Public Hearing.

As Chairman Mager had to leave he turned the meeting over to Mr. Dominic Castore, First Vice Chairman.

B. Health and Social Services - Mr. William Liblick, Chairperson

As Mr. Liblick was not present Mr. Joseph Reda, Assistant Chairperson gave the report.

1. Closing of Genesis Methadone Clinic

Mr. Reda stated that the clinics in this area do not take outside patients.

2. Relocation of certain medical services from the Einstein Hospital to Montefiore Hospital

Mr. Reda reported that no services will be taken out of Einstein Hospital

C. Highways, Traffic and Transportation - Mr. Ernest Odierna, Chairperson

Mr. Odierna reported that he had received about a half a dozen responses to his request for the location of streets needing repairs. He stated that most of the community's concern was for streets on Pelham Parkway North and Boston Road near C Town.

2. Report on Bronx Policy Task Force

Mr. Odierna stated that he had attended a Bronx Policy Task Force meeting a few weeks ago. He stated that they discussed the request for a Pelham Parkway bus to Wall Street. Mr. Odierna said that Mr. Abraham Pereira is going to meet with a representative of the bus company to discuss this matter.

3. Other

Mr. Odierna reported that there has been a request for expanded parking in Morris Park and a request for diagonal parking in from the Einstein Hospital

Discussion took place on this.

Mr. Odierna said that Einstein Hospital is asking for Doctors only parking on Sackett Avenue.

District Manager stated that the hospital has sent a letter to Commissioner Ameruso on this.

A great deal of discussion took place on this.

A Motion was made by Mr. Robert Black, seconded by Mr. Elizabeth Brown and carried, that Community Board #11 hold a Public Hearing on this, and that the Executive Board set the date for the Public Hearing.

Mr. Robert Black asked Mr. Odierna to have his Committee look into having a notice posted on the Pelham Parkway North subway station when it is closed. He also asked that the windows be closed up on the vestibule of the station.

District Manager explained that until the station is rehabilitated nothing will be done on it.

Discussion took place on the Task Force meeting on the Express Bus Policy.

Mr. Odierna discussed the dangerous conditions on Holland, Cruger, Wallace and Matthews Avenues.

District Manger stated that they are narrow two way streets. He stated that Traffic had done a study and wants to make them one way streets. He stated that they want the Board's approval on this.

A Motion was made by Mr. Robert Black, seconded by Mr. Dominic Castore and carried, that Community Board #11 approve of these streets being made one way.

D. Parks and Recreation - Ms. Elizabeth Brown, Chairperson

Ms. Brown stated that her report had been distributed. She said that Mr. John Cifichiello would read a letter from Councilman Crispino.

Mr. Cifichiello read the letter in which Councilman Crispino stated that he wanted to introduce legislation to name the park at the intersection of Gun Hill Road, Eastchester Road and Arnow Avenue after Mr. Angelo Campanaro. He stated that he wanted Board approval before introducing this legislation.

A Motion was made by Ms. Elizabeth Brown, seconded by Ms. Blanche Rifkin and carried, that Community Board #11 approve the naming of this park after Mr. Campanaro.

Mr. Fred Pocci stated that the Chester Civic Association would have buses going to the Public Hearing on March 8th. He stated that they would be leaving from Holy Rosary Church at 9:30 A.M.

E. Economic Development - Mr. Salvatore Napolitano, Chairperson

As Mr. Napolitano was not present the District Manager gave the report.

District Manager reported that he had attended a meeting with the Public Development Corporation regarding the Allerton Avenue Commercial Revitalization proposal. He stated that the meeting was well attended and that there was a good presentation.

1. Report on eligible areas for commercial and/or industrial tax abatements

District Manager stated that it was not clear as to which areas are Community Development eligible.

2. newsstand applications

District Manager spoke on this. He stated that after the Board had approved the applicant for a newsstand the applicant decided that he did not want to move back to the city. He stated that this was one of the requirements of the application.

Ms. Leslie McHenry reported that the newsstand at White Plains Road has already opened.

District Manager said that he would look into this.

F. Sanitation and Environmental Protection - Ms. Stella Fernandez, Chairperson

Ms. Fernandez stated that her report had been distributed. She stated that attendance at her Committee meetings has been poor. Ms. Fernandez asked for a meeting with Superintendent Felix Oliva of Sanitation.

District Manager said that he would try and set up a meeting.

G. Public Safety - Mr. Joseph Reda, Co-Chairperson

Mr. Reda stated that the 49th Precinct is doing a fine job. He stated that if any association wants to meet with the police they are available.

Mr. Reda reported that the first meeting of the 49th Precinct Council will be on March 5th.

H. Youth Services - Mr. Raymond Locascio, Chairperson

As Mr. Locascio was not present Ms. Linda Loeb, Youth Coordinator gave the report. She stated that the Summer Youth Employment Program application phase will begin on Monday, February 25th. Ms. Loeb stated that Ms. Pauline Prilucik will again be the Project Director and that Mr. Thomas Lucania will be the Application Intake Associate. Ms. Loeb reported that there would be two sites to drop off applications: the lobby of the auditorium of the Nurses Residence in Community Board #11 and the 45th Precinct in Community Board #10. She stated that the applications are available from 3:00-5:30 P.m. Monday-Friday. Ms. Loeb asked for more volunteers to help in the application phase of the program.

Ms. Loeb reported that the Committee had met on January 23rd. She stated that they had discussed the formation of the Youth Council. Ms. Loeb stated that once the 49th Precinct Council has been established there will be a Youth Council. She stated that several members of the Youth Committee have volunteered to assist the Community Affairs Office, and that she herself would be helping.

Ms. Loeb announced that the next Youth Committee meeting would be held on February 27th.

Ms. Loeb asked the Board members to please post the flyers that had been distributed about a series of workshops on teenagers and summer jobs. She stated that these workshops would be held on Mondays during March in the Van Nest Library.

I. Community Development and Budget Priorities - Mr. Robert Black, Chairperson

A Motion was made by Mr. Robert Black, seconded by Ms. Blance Rifkin and carried, that Community Board #11 waive a Public Hearing on the Mayor's Preliminary 1986 Budget.

Mr. Black asked the Board members to start thinking about their Budget requests for the new fiscal year.

J. Housing - Mr. Frank Muccioli, Chairperson

Mr. Muccioli reported that he had attended a meeting on the Allerton Coops on January 11th at Beth Abraham Hospital with the tenants association. He stated that there is a court date set for February 27th at which time they will talk about having a 7A Administrator appointed for the Coops. He stated that the tenants have said that the heat has been the best ever.

VI. Old Business

Mr. Lewis Goldstein asked anyone wanting to contribute to the fund for the memorializing of the Borough President's father to make a check out to the Hebrew Home for the Aged.

Mr. William Ricevuto spoke about traffic on Eastchester Road. He asked about getting a policeman there to help move the traffic.

District Manager spoke on this and said that a study was done for Police on their request. He stated that it was denied by the Department of Traffic. District Manager discussed the opening up of Stillwell Avenue for emergency vehicles only. He discussed the problems involved with getting Parks to give the property to Highways and getting the money to build it from Highways. District Manager also said that there is an enforcement problem with seeing that only emergency vehicles use it. He stated that the Board should go on record as asking the Parks Department, Highways and the Police Department to get together on opening Stillwell Avenue.

District Manger reported that the Leadership Awards will be given out on March 15th at Bronx House.

District Manager reported that he had received a letter from the Neighborhood Initiatives Development Corporation stating that the Chase Manhattan branch on Lydig Avenue is going to close on May 21st. He stated that Neighborhood Initiatives Development Corporation and other organizations are volunteering to form a committee to look into this and protest it.

Mr. Dominic Castore suggested that the Economic Development and Housing Committees look into this, and that the Board go on record as supporting this protest.

There being no further business before the Board a Motion was made by Mr. William Ricevuto, seconded by Ms. Leslie McHenry and carried, that the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:13 P.M.

Submitted by Brenda Petri Date March 12, 1985
Brenda Petri, Secretary

ATTENDANCE AT MEETING OF FEBRUARY 21, 1985

PRESENT

Renee Biller
Robert Black
Elizabeth Brown
Ruth Burko
Dominic Castore
John Cifichiello
Arnold Eisen
Stella Fernandez
Kenneth Gelnick
Eli Goldsmith
Lesis Goldstein
Rabbi Israel Greenberg
Lillian Holtzman
Celia Lewis
Lee Mager

Leslie Mc Henry
Joseph Milone
Frank Muccioli
Ernest Odierna
Abraham Pereira
Brenda Petri
Frederic Pocci
Michael Prisco
Joseph Reda
William Ricevuto
Blanche Rifkin
Anthony Rizzo
Henry Yuspeh
Vincent Zarcone

ABSENT

Nicholas Cremonese
Anthony DelGaudio
Thomas Denaro
Gloria DiGianni
Norman Engel
Anthony Funigiello
Abraham Kleinman
Charles Lefkowitz
Murray Lewinter

William Liblick
Raymond Locascio
Steve Lovitch
Salvatore Napolitano
Charles Re
Madeline Saltaformaggio
Alfred Tartaglia
Steve Zarkin

EX OFFICIO BOARD MEMBERS:

John Farrell - Representative of Hon. Michael DeMarco

OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS:

Jeannie Noto - Representative of Assemblyman Eliot Engel
Victor Tosi - Representative of Senator John Calandra
Peggy Braverman, District Leader
Angelo Del Toro - Assemblyman

STAFF, BOROUGH PRESENT, AND AGENCY OFFICIALS:

Harriet Lasky, Secretary - Community Board #11
Eric Barr - Comptroller's Office
P.O. Richard DiVico - 49th Police Precinct
P.O. James Strafella - 49th Police Precinct
Annette Marchitello - Borough President Simon's Office
Linda Loeb, Youth Coordinator - Community Board #11
Thal Davis
Irene Leiben, Director - R.A.I.N. Boston Road Senior Center