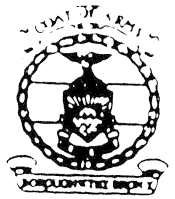


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- Community Development & Budget priorities
- Economic Development
- Education & Culture
- Health & Social Services
- Highways, Traffic & Transportation
- Housing
- Land Use
- Parks & Playgrounds
- Public Safety
- Sanitation & Environmental Protection
- Youth

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 1998
IN THE PATIENT ACTIVITY CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM 1 OF
CALVARY HOSPITAL

I. Gallery Session

A. John Cummings – Seminole Avenue Residents Association

Mr. Cummings spoke about his request at last month's meeting for speed bumps and the methadone clinic at Van Etten. He stated that the clinic would be moving as of December 1st. Mr. Cummings stated that he wanted to know where they were moving to. He stated that he would not like to see another community put up with what they had to put up with the patients.

John Fratta spoke about the move. He stated that they are trying to go to Bronx State. He also stated that he told them that if they try to come into the community we would not be happy.

II. Minutes

Harriet reported that Dr. Patel had called with corrections: on page 7 he had said that there is another trailer, which is overgrown with weeds at 1790 Eastchester Road, not at Jacobi, and on page 8 the Committee has been working on the trailer issue for a 1½ years not 6 months.

A Motion was made by Rhoda Gogatz, Seconded by Linda White –
 That the Minutes be accepted as corrected.

Unanimously accepted.

III. Chairman's Report – Dominic Castore

Dom spoke about Board members not attending meetings. He stated that if you don't attend the committee meetings we will take you off the committee.

Dom reported that at the budget hearing 10 or 11 Board members were present. He stated that other boards had only three members.

IV. Guest Speaker – Assemblyman Jeffrey Klein

Assemblyman Klein reported that he had been a member of this board. He stated that there is a shortage of police in the 49th Precinct. Assemblyman Klein spoke about "Safe Cities Safe Streets" program. He stated that we need to bring back the cop on the beat. He stated that this was very successful. Assemblyman Klein stated that Safe Cities Safe Streets was passed in '89 by the State Legislature. He stated that this was set up with the police and had set targets. How many police do you need? How many civilians do you need. He stated that this was only a target number and not mandatory. Assemblyman Klein stated that this should be made mandatory. He stated that the people have funded this through property and commercial taxes and they should get what they paid for.

Assemblyman Klein reported that the 49th Precinct has 32 officers less than the target number for their precinct. He stated that there are 500 officers missing in the city on a daily basis. A lot are on special detail, narcotics, Police Plaza etc. Precincts must have the police they actually need.

Assemblyman Klein reported that he is trying to keep the Yankees in the Bronx. He stated that Borough President Ferrer has been working on this for 10 years. Assemblyman Klein stated that he would like to see the existing structure kept and building be done around it. Yankee Village should not be lost. He stated that he filed a 50-page application to that this site granted a state landmark. He stated that it has actual and historical significance. It is the first structure called a stadium.

Assemblyman Klein reported that he had spoken to Commissioner Castro and the State is interested in his proposal. He stated that once a site is given State Landmark status it then becomes eligible for state fund. It can then become eligible for Federal Landmark Status and there would be a tax rebate of 25% for the City of New York.

Assemblyman Klein explained that in Anaheim Disney bought the Stadium for \$70 million and the City kicked in \$30 million. He stated that they sold the naming of the stadium to Con Ed for \$20 million and Disney got back \$10 million and the City got back \$10 million.

V. District Manager's Report – John Fratta

John spoke about the number of Board members who attended the Borough Consultations. He stated that when we met with Police and asked questions about the amount of officers there should be, they could not respond. He stated that what Assemblyman Klein and Senator Velella are doing will enable us to get more police at the 49th Precinct. John stated that he was urging everyone to write to the Mayor saying we want our fair share for police and other services. John reported that Boards 10, 11 and 8 generate the most taxes and we demand services.

John reported that this week he was working with Joe Thompson on the Mobile Patrol in signing up merchants. He also reported that yesterday Joe, Dom Castore and he along with the elected officials attended a grand reopening of the businesses on Allerton Avenues. John reported

that we are addressing crime under Captain Stewart. If Allerton falls the area next to Allerton will fall.

VI. Treasurer's Report – Silvio Mazzella

Silvio reported that there were no changes this month.

VIII. Borough President's Report – Linda Loeb

As the report was long Linda submitted it to Harriet.

1. Bronx 2001: All America City Maps its future
2. Borough President Fernando Ferrer promotes Bronx Bioscience Center
3. Ferrer: BUCCs brings dollars and cents to the Bronx!!!
4. Ferrer gets the "Good Hands Award"
5. Restoring Grandeur to the House that Ruth Built while transforming Bronx area into an economic engine, Ferrer unveils new Yankee Village Plan
6. Ferrer and City leaders announce relief efforts for Puerto Rico and Caribbean
7. Ferrer assists in coastal clean up project

IX. Committee Reports

A. Community Development and Budget Priorities – Silvio Mazzella

Silvio reported that the Budget Priorities had been distributed.

A Motion was made by Silvio Mazzella, Seconded by Rhoda Gogatz – That the Budget Priorities be accepted as received.

Unanimously passed.

B. Economic Development – Joseph Thompson

Joe reported that he had been working with Chuck Ryman of the Allerton Avenue Merchants Association. He also reported that the Committee's focus is on small business development.

Alcohol Beverage Control License

1. Margo's Place - 730 Astor Avenue for a wine and beer license for on-premises consumption

A Motion was made by Joe Thompson, Seconded by Elaine Weisbrot – That Community Board #11 send a letter to the State Liquor Authority stating that we have no objections to the granting of

this license.

Unanimously passed.

Rhoda reported that at 8:30 ^{AM}~~P.M.~~ they were sweeping the sidewalk into the gutter. *Papas*

Joe reported that Assemblyman Jeffrey Klein will be riding with the patrol tomorrow.

John asked Joe if the Committee could place on its Agenda to look into TLC to get legislation to get medallion cabs assigned to outer boroughs, and put out a separate RFP for the outer boroughs that they show on trip sheets that a majority of the calls are from outer boroughs.

C. Sanitation and Environmental Protection – Anthony DelGaudio

Tony reported that the Pelham Bay Landfill is being monitored and there have been no problems. Tony also reported that that he received letters from Sanitation concerning lot cleaning in our area. Tony reported that the issue of a water shed has been tabled for now.

Tony reported that the street cleaning in our area is 85-90%, He stated that our area is maintained very well.

Pat Dolan asked about recycling being returned to once a week. John stated that we are working on it.

John reported that starting in November there will be night pick-ups as they prepare for snow.

Dom Deproso stated that it is very important that people do not sweep leaves into the catch basins bag them.

Tony reported that beginning in November until December 1st Sanitation will pick up bagged leaves on Sundays with a separate truck.

D. Education and Culture – Ruth Burko

Ruth reported that school administration requirements will be distributed at next meeting.

E. Highways, Traffic and Transportation – Vincent Prezioso

Vinny reported that the Minutes had been distributed.

Dom Castore reported that he has empowered the Committee heads to tell him who should be taken off the committee due to poor attendance.

Rabbi Fuchs spoke about Commissioner Kilkenny being invited to a Highways Committee meeting and not coming.

Dom Castore explained that he was in contact with Commissioner Kilkenny and he was at a meeting with the Commissioner at the time of the Highways meeting and could not make it.

John reported that at the Borough Consultations, Transportation gave us the news that the Pelham Parkway project will begin in July 1999. He stated that it is a 2-year project. John stated that the Board should receive the design by next month.

Dom Castore stated that this project was originally supposed to begin in 2001. He reported that while work is being done there will be 2 lanes on the south side.

F. Parks and Recreation – John Cifichiello

John reported that that bulbs should be planted right after Election Day. He said they should be put in the refrigerator until planting.

John reported that he had attended a ribbon cutting at Zimmerman Playground. He stated that \$2,300,000 was spent on redoing the park over 2 ½ years. John stated that Parks Commissioner Henry Stern was there. He also stated that he was proud that Board members Joe Thompson, Chairman Dom Castore attended as well as District Manager John Fratta and my friend Marie.

John spoke about Louvenia Jackson the Director of the Zimmerman Playschool. He stated that when there were no funds she volunteered her time for a whole summer and went to store keepers to get materials for arts and crafts.

Rhoda spoke about there not being baskets around the parks.

Pat Dolan asked about the pruning of trees.

John Fratta stated that they are doing it but there are very few pruners in the Bronx to do the job.

G. Public Safety – Vincent Prezioso

Vinny reported that the Minutes had been distributed. He stated that presently there is only 1 officer for 1 shift in all the NYCHA developments. Vinny also stated that the 49th Precinct presently has 132 officers instead of the 235 they need.

Rabbi Fuchs suggested that we keep a running total of the amount of cars out at night. Vinny spoke about a conversation that he had with Captain Sino and how the board loses officers every day. He stated that since Captain Stewart has taken over there has been a big improvement.

Vinny reported that the Precinct will be getting its parking in March of 1999 from money that the Borough President has provided.

H. Youth – Linda White

Linda recognized Officer David Goldenberg, the Youth Officer from the 49th Precinct. She stated that no one has come to the Youth meeting from the Precinct. Linda thanked Office Goldenberg for being here tonight.

Linda reported that if the programs do not receive Councilmanic and Borough President funds by December 1st will have to close down. She stated that there are 2 programs in our area that are effected and one is Morris Park. She stated that these programs are needed in our community. Linda stated that it will get worse as the budget may not be accepted until after the elections. She told everyone to write to the Mayor, Assemblyman Jeffrey Klein and Councilwoman Madeline Provenzano. Linda stated that if these programs close it will be a big problem to get them restarted.

Linda reported that at the last Youth Services meeting we discussed the Fair Share allocations. She stated that last time \$40,000 was given to each board no matter how many kids they serviced. Linda stated that this will change. She stated that Community Board #10 went from \$15,000 to \$25,000. Linda explained how the new formula would work. She stated that if they go by population we will lose less money than if they use any of the other two formulas.

Linda reported that Community Board #11 has NAB areas. She stated that Dom Castore, John Fratta and she would sit down and decide which one we feel will be the best formula for the board. She stated that with this new formula all boards will lose.

Linda reported that there will be a meeting on November 16th. She stated that the Committee is looking to pull grants. Linda stated that NIDC is the only program that was able to get matching funds.

Linda reported that she had spoken with Commissioner Ostrich and asked for 2 beacon school in our area. She stated that it looks good, and that each beacon school will be allocated \$400,000 per year for computers, mentors etc. Linda stated that she should know by next week. Linda also stated that this money is separate from Fair Share.

Linda reported that 2 groups will be defunded \$60,000. She also reported that the Commissioner is willing to come up and meet with the Executive Committee if he is given a months notice. Dom asked Linda to draft a letter to send to all the organizations, and have a meeting.

V. New Business

John reported that as of yesterday the Board is on the Internet for e-mail.

There being no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Burko,
Secretary

ATTENDANCE AT MEETING OF OCTOBER 21, 1998

PRESENT

Ruth Burko
Joseph Carozza
Dominc Castore
Dorinda Castro
John Cifichiello
Anthony DelGaudio
Dominick DeProspro
Patrick Dolan
Rabbi Moshe Fuchs
Rhoda Gogatz

Silvio Mazzella
Joseph Milone
Seymour Ostroga
Robert Potter
Vincent Prezioso
Madeline Saltaformaggio
Mark Shkreli
Joseph Thompson
Elaine Weisbrot
Linda White

ABSENT

James Cenera
Priscilla Crowell
Emilian Eisdorfer
Harain Figueroa
James Gisondi

Dexter Hendon
Gerald Launer
David Leavitt
Pat Quaranta

EXCUSED

Kwasi Afrifa
Randall Allen
Marilyne Jamieson
Annette Marchitello

Hazel Miura
Dr. Mahendra Patel
Joseph Reda
Blanche Comras Rifkin

EX-OFFICIO BOARD MEMBERS

Marilyn Klein - representing Councilwoman Madeline Provenzano

OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS

Thomas Messina – representing Congressman Thomas Manton
Libbi Locascio – representing Senator Guy Velella

STAFF, BOROUGH PRESIDENT AND AGENCY OFFICIALS

John A. Fratta, District Manager
Harriet Lasky, Secretary
Susan Nolan, Community Coordinator
Linda Loeb – representing Borough President Ferrer

GUESTS

P.O. Goldenberg – 49th Precinct Youth Officer
Tim Tureski – Van Nest Library