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Transportation

Thursday, October 25, 2018
Einstein College of Medicine's Lubin Hall
1200 Van Nest Avenue

MINUTES

- 1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence for our fallen first responders and military service personnel.
- 3. Gallery Session
 - i. Neill Weissman spoke in favor of widening the bike path on the George Washington Bridge
 - ii. Thomas Alexander, Community Liaison for the Pelham Parkway Reconstruction (Phase II), spoke about the project that is scheduled to continue through 2021 and possibly into 2022. Questions were asked by Board members.
 - iii. Shawn Brady, NYC Planning, spoke about an upcoming event on Saturday, October 27.
 - iv. D. Roger McCrossan, P.S. 108 PTA, spoke about Stop-N-Swap event scheduled for 11/2/2018.
 - v. Grace Lovaglio, Neighborhood Advisory Board, spoke about issues affecting the community.
 - vi. Roxanne Delgado, Friends of Pelham Parkway, requested a budget public hearing.
 - vii. Raphael Schweitzer, BPECA, requested a crossing guard for P.S. 89.
 - viii. Joanne Esposito spoke about gun violence.
- 4. 49th Precinct
 - i. NYPD Deputy Inspector Alps spoke about the revolving door for criminals; making process easier for complainants; holding DA's office responsible for declining to prosecute cases.
- 5. Elected Officials
 - i. Assemblywoman Nathalia Fernandez spoke about meetings she attended regarding the MTA, a recent public safety meeting and other upcoming events.
 - ii. Councilman Mark Gjonaj spoke about the need for repairs; a recent public safety meeting, the revolving door systems for criminals, the upcoming Veteran's Day Parade, snow plowing and the Wildcap program, upcoming events and Safe Treats/Safe Streets event.

- iii. Thomas Lucania, Borough President's Office, report distributed. New members Land Use Training is scheduled for 11/2; EEO policy must be signed by all current board members; Sexual Harassment Training required of all Board members. This will become a yearly event.
- iv. Joseph McManus, Councilman Ritchie Torres Office, distributed fliers and spoke about meeting with Parks about the removal of trees; funded Allerton B.I.D.; Mayor's office.
- v. Ranell Ogilvie. Senator Jamal Bailey's Office, spoke about recent events and upcoming events.

6. Chairman's Report

- a. Motion by Al D'Angelo (seconded by Anthony Vitaliano) to <u>APPROVE</u> the September 2018 Full Board Meeting Minutes, as distributed (PASSED UNANIMOUSLY)
- b. Al D'Angelo reported that there will be a Town Hall Meeting on 11/28 at P.S. 83 at 7:00 p.m. about the proposed DOT road dieting plan for Morris Park Ave.

7. Treasurer's Report

i. Report distributed and Silvio Mazzella announced upcoming Veteran's Day Event at Peace Plaza.

8. District Manager's Report

- a. Sexual harassment training (annual) and audit
- b. Yankee Award applications: BPECA and Morris Park Library
- c. Luke's Lounge, 1808 Hone Avenue, sidewalk permit
- d. Full board video recordings
- e. Rainbow Diner SLA violation
- f. CB12 issues: Chase Auto Group and the MTA bus yard/old golf property
- g. Budget Priorities

9. Committee Reports

- a. Leadership
 - i. Motion to <u>SUPPORT</u> the Department of Sanitation's request for alternate side signage in front of the Morris Park Train Station, Tuesdays 9-10am (PASSED WITH ONE AGAINST (L. SOTO)
 - ii. Motion to <u>REQUEST</u> Council Member Torres's Office fund the cleaning of Bronx Park East from Adee Avenue to Unionport Road by FEDCAP (PASSED UNANIMOUSLY)
 - iii. Motion to <u>REQUEST</u> the Parks Department devise a plan for our review for the planting, pruning and removal of trees in Bronx Park, north of Pelham Parkway (PASSED UNANIMOUSLY)

b. Transportation

- Motion to send a <u>LETTER of SUPPORT</u> for wider bike paths on the George Washington Bridge (PASSED WITH FIVE AGAINST (A. Siegel, S. Unger, E. Blitzer, J. Menta and J. Squitieri) and TWO ABSTENTIONS (A. Francis and J. Thompson)
- c. By-Laws

- Motion by David Leavitt (seconded by D. Schiano) to <u>AMEND</u>
 Article III, Section 4(a) of the Board's By-Laws to remove the
 word "non-excused" from the total allowed absences from
 Community Board meetings between September 1st and June 30th
 of each Board year (PASSED WITH ONE AGAINST (K.
 GELNICK))
- d. Community Development & Budget Priorities
 - Dr. Patel asked for budget items from the Board members and the community. A date for the budget public hearing has not been set.
- e. Economic Development
 - No meeting
- f. Education, Culture & Youth Services
 - i. Next meeting: Wednesday, November 14
 - ii. NY Yankee Awards application deadline is 10/31/2018
- g. Health & Social Services
 - Minutes were distributed
 - Health fair is scheduled for June 2019
 - Linda White spoke about Montefiore ER and how overflow is being sent to Jacobi
- h. Housing
 - No meeting scheduled for November
- i. Land Use
 - i. ULURP applications for 2712 Williamsbrige Road and 1346 Blondell Avenue will be considered at 11/26 meeting
- j. Parks & Recreation
- k. Public Safety
 - Minutes were distributed
- 1. Sanitation & Environmental Protection
 - No meeting

10. Old Business

i. Sandra Unger spoke about Blanche Comra Rifkin street co-naming event.

11. New Business

- i. Bernadette Ferrara said VNNA will have a Veteran's Day event and spoke about the proposed Bronx animal shelter.
- ii. Joe Thompson said the 49th precinct Council will meet at Eastchester Gardens on 10/30/2018.

12. Adjournment

i. Meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.