

# COMMUNITY BOARD 11 1741 COLDEN AVENUE BRONX, NY 10462 (718) 892-6262 www.nyc.gov/bxcb11

Borough President Ruben Diaz Jr.
Chairman Anthony Vitaliano
District Manager Jeremy H. Warneke

## **COMMITTEES**

Leadership

Community
Development &
Budget Priorities

Economic Development

Education, Culture & Youth Services

Health & Social Services

Housing

Land Use

Parks & Recreation

Public Safety

Sanitation & Environmental Protection

Transportation

Full Board Meeting
Thursday, April 26, 2018
Einstein College of Medicine's Lubin Hall – 1200 Van Nest Avenue

## **MINUTES**

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m.
- 2. All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance and observed a moment of silence for our fallen first responders and military service personnel
- 3. NYPD Captain Thomas Alps, commander of the 49<sup>th</sup> Precinct reported on monthly crime statistics and spoke about the importance of the NCO program.
- 4. Gallery Session
  - i. Manny Martinez of the NYP Library announced upcoming events and spoke about library budget needs
  - ii. Gene DeFrancis, spoke about housing at 2761 Bronxwood Avenue. He asked the Board to deny their request to demolition his house. The District Manager explained that this was and as of right issue and that the Board did not have the power to deny it.
  - iii. Sandra Unger, community board member, invited everyone to the CB Health Fair on Sunday at Bronx House. She also spoke about the upcoming Health Conference on May 16
  - iv. Nestor Medina introduced himself as the Housing Coordinator for N.I.D.C.
  - v. Larry Mauriello spoke about issues affecting the community.
  - vi. Grace Lovaglio spoke against 2761 Bronxwood Avenue project
  - vii. Serena Muniz spoke about an upcoming health fair in August.
- 5. Elected Officials
  - Thomas Lucania, Director of Community Boards for Borough President Ruben Diaz Jr. spoke about reappointment and new appointment letters. He also spoke about a Land Use Training Session for new Board members, fliers available as well as other upcoming events. Thomas spoke about ferry service from Soundview to Manhattan and NYCH housing. Questions were asked by Board members.
  - ii. Nathalia Fernandez, reported that on Monday she will become the new Assemblyperson for the 80<sup>th</sup> District.
  - iii. Patrick Hill, representing Senator Jeffrey Klein, announced upcoming event
  - iv. Tatyana James, representing Senator Gustavo Rivera's office, spoke about Department of Health inspections, Funding for H.I.V. etc., weekly tenants meetings and free lawyer visits.

- v. Ranell Ogilvie, representing Senator Jamal Bailey's office announced upcoming events.
- vi. Marilyn Ceilema, representing Councilman Mark Gjonaj, spoke about upcoming events.
- 6. Chairman's Report
  - a. Motion by Anthony Vitaliano (seconded by Sandi Unger) to <u>APPROVE</u> the March 2017 Full Board Meeting Minutes, as distributed PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
  - b. Motion by Anthony Vitaliano (seconded by Sandi Unger) to <a href="REMOVE">REMOVE</a> Ruth Burko from Community Board 11 for cause PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
- 7. Treasurer's Report the Treasurer's report was distributed.
- 8. District Manager's Report Jeremy Warneke spoke about
  - a. Flooding along Pelham Parkway
  - b. Pelham Parkway North Reconstruction Jeremy reported that he went on a site visit with CB member Joe Menta and Joe gave a report on the status of the trees that were slated to be removed. Three trees were able to be saved.
  - c. Street Activity Permit notices
  - d. Committee meeting minutes
  - e. The Yankee Award Game will be May 30 at 6:35pm; up to 12 tickets are expected to be available per association.
- 9. Committee Reports
  - a. Leadership
    - i. Motion by Dominick Schiano (seconded by Sandi Unger) to send the SLA a <u>STIPULATION AGREEMENT</u> between:
      - a. Community Board 11 and new liquor, wine, beer (LWB) and cider license applicant, Williamsbridge Inn, 1556 Williamsbridge Road, allowing the business to stay open until 3 AM Sunday through Saturday PASSED WITH TWO ABSTENTIONS (Yahay Obeid and Tasneem Aljayyousi)
      - b. Community Board 11 and new LWB license applicant, 1024 Morris Park Restaurant Inc., 1024 Morris Park Av, allowing the business to stay open until 3AM Sunday through Saturday PASSED WITH TWO ABSTENTIONS (Yahay Obeid and Tasneem Aljayyousi)
  - b. Economic Development
    - i. Motion by Dominck Schiano (seconded by Sandi Unger) to:
      - a. send the SLA an email of <u>NO OBJECTION</u> regarding the renewal (LWB) license application for Captain's Pizzeria, 1056 Morris Park Avenue PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
      - b. send the SLA an email of <u>NO OBJECTION</u> regarding the renewal LWB license application for Williamsbridge Diner Inc., 2107 Williamsbridge Road PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

- c. Motion by Dominick Schiano (seconded by Junior Campbell) to send the SLA a <u>NEW STIPULATION</u>

  <u>AGREEMENT</u> between Community Board 11 and La Parranda Bar Restaurant, Inc., 2712 White Plains Rd, allowing the business to stay open until 1 AM Sunday through Wednesday and 1:30am on Thursday, Friday and Saturday PASSED with ONE ABSENTION (Tasneem Aljayyousi)
- d. Motion by Dominck Schiano (seconded by Joanne Rubino) to send the SLA a <u>NEW STIPULATION</u>

  <u>AGREEMENT</u> between Community Board 11 and Rubys Restaurant, 600 Van Nest Av, allowing the business to stay open until 4 AM on Saturday and Sunday PASSED with TWO OPPOSED (Joe Menta and Bernadette Ferrara) and THREE ABSTENTIONS (Yahay Obeid, Diane Norris and Tasneem Aljayyousi)
- e. Motion by Dominick Schiano (seconded by Al D'Angelo) to send the SLA an email of <u>NO OBJECTION</u> regarding the renewal LWB license application for Royal Coach Diner, 3260 Boston Road PASSEDC with ONE ABSTENTION (Yahay Obeid)

## c. Land Use

 Motion by Land Use Committee (seconded by Frano Zagreda) to recommend the NYC Board of Standards and Appeals <u>APPROVE</u> of Dolphin Fitness, 2030 Eastchester Road's application to legalize its current operation as a Physical Culture Establishment (aka gymnasium) PASSED with ONE abstention (Dr. Patel)

## d. Parks & Recreation

- Motion by Arlene Drayton (seconded by Shradhanand Pirtam) to send an email of <u>APPROVAL</u> to the New York City (NYC) Parks Department regarding their schematic design for Waring Playground PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
- ii. Motion by Arlene Drayton (seconded by Dominick Schiano) to send an email of <u>APPROVAL</u> to the NYC Parks Department regarding their all-asphalt, conceptional design for Loreto Playground PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

### e. Transportation

- Motion by Daisy Rodriguez, seconded by (David Leavitt) to send a <u>LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION</u> to the NYC Council (NYCC) regarding Blanche Comras Rifkin Way PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
- ii. Motion by Daisy Rodriguez (seconded by Al D'Angelo) to send a <u>LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION</u> to the NYCC regarding Joe Blandino Way PASSED with ONE ABSTENTION (Sandi Unger)

# iii. Motion by Daisy Rodriguez (seconded by Frano Zagreda) to <a href="RECOMMEND APPROVAL"><u>RECOMMEND APPROVAL</u></a> of the following street activity permit application(s):

	<b>Event Name</b>	Event Type	Start Date	End Date	Entered	Cross streets and intersections
1	7th Annual Thwaites Place Block Party	Block Party	07/28/2018 1:00 PM	07/28/2018 8:00 PM	03/11/2018	OLINVILLE AV between THWAITES PL and PELHAM PKWY N
2	) 1900s	Block Party	08/11/2018 12:00 PM	08/11/2018 8:00 PM	03/22/2018	NARRAGANSETT AV between NEILL AV and RHINELANDER AV
3	Fun Day 6	Block Party	09/15/2018 11:00 AM	09/15/2018 3:00 PM	03/27/2018	PELHAM PKWY S between HONE AV and BOGART AV

## PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

- f. Community Development & Budget Priorities No report
- g. Education The next committee meeting is on May 2.
- h. Health & Social Services Joe Bacote invited the public to the CB 11 Health Fair
- i. Housing
  - i. Motion by Janice Walcott (seconded by Al D'Angelo) that Community Board 11 <u>not</u> recommend funding for 2241 White Plains Road **PASSED** with TWO ABSTENTIONS (Joe Menta and Kelly Murphy)
- j. Nominating Committee
  - i. Committee Chair Dominick Schiano invited nomintaions:
    - a. David Leavitt nominated Al D'Angelo for Board Chair (seconded by Anthony Vitaliano); Al D'Angelo accepted the nomination.
    - b. Anthony Vitaliano nominated David Leavitt for Secretary (seconded by Sandi Unger); David Leavitt accepted the nomination.
    - c. Veronica Castro nominated Anthony Vitaliano for First Vice Chair of the Board (seconded by David Leavitt); Anthony Vitaliano accepted the nomination.
- k. Public Safety No report
- 1. Sanitation and Environmental Protection No report

### 10. Old Business

- i. Con Ed is doing work in the Van Nest area
- 11. New Business
  - i. Tony Signorile stepped down as chair of the Columbus Day Parade Committee of MPCA.
  - ii. Bernadetta Ferrrara invited the community to the Van Nest Neighborhood Alliance dinner dance on May 19.

iii. There was discussion of the NYPD Build a Block program

# 12. Adjournment

i. Motion by Frano Zagreda (seconded by Anthony Vitaliano) that the meeting be adjourned; meeting adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

### Attendance

Number indicates total excused and unexcused absences at Full Board Meetings since July 1, 2017

Aljayyousi, Tasneem (2)
Bacote, Joseph (5)
Blitzer, Edith (1)
Burko, Ruth (3)
Campbell, Junior (0)
Castro, Veronica (0)
Charles, Patricia (1)
Conforto, Sal (5)
D'Angelo, Albert (3)
Drayton, Arlene (2)
Ferrara, Bernadette (1)
Francis, Avril (5)

Fuchs, Rabbi Moshe (1)
Gelnick, Kenneth (4)
Gross, Marcy (2)
Leavitt, David (2)
Mazzella, Silvio (2)
Menta, Joseph (1)
Monti, Danny (7)
Murphy, Kelly (1)
Norris, Diane (1)

Obeid, Yahay (1)

Patel, Dr. Mahendra (1)
Pirtam, Shradhanand (1)
Prezioso, Vincent (6)
Ramsey, Keith (3)
Rodriguez, Daisy (4)
Rodriguez, Eliezer (2)
Rodriguez, Marnie (4)
Russo-Rubino, Joanne (4)
Schiano, Dominick (1)
Selkridge, Oral (3)
Siegel, Andrea (2)
Signorile, Tony (2)
Squitieri, John (2)
Soto, Lisa (0)

Terrelonge, Joann (2)
Thompson, Joseph (3)
Unger, Sandra (0)
Vitaliano, Anthony (0)
Walcott, Janice (1)
White, Linda (4)
Zagreda, Frano (1)