

Community Board Ten Board Meeting Attendance
Knights of Columbus, Columbian Room
Monday, October 19, 2009 – 7:15 pm

Board Members Present: 37

Greg Ahl
Liz Amato
Ruth Berg
Allen Bortnick
Michael Casale
Robert Cassara
Thomas Colasuonno
Judith Collins
Doris Cruz
Ida D'Amelio
Anna DeMetz
Khader El-Yateem
Michael Festa
George Fontas
Barbara Germack
Judie Grimaldi
Ron Gross
Stephen Harrison
Habib Joudeh
Brian Kieran
Stella Kokolis
Dino Lamia
Jeannie May
Mary Nolan
Jim O'Dea
George Prezioso
Susan Pulaski
Mary Quinones
Michael Quinones
Dean Rasinya
Susan Romero
Jean Ryan
Eleanor Schiano
Joanne Seminara
Larry Stelter
Fran Vella-Marrone
Mary Ann Walsh

Board Members Excused: 8

Kevin Peter Carroll
Siti Cheng
Ann Falutico
Scott Klein
Rhea McCone
Eleanor Petty
Dilia Schack
Maureen Stramka

Board Members Absent: 3

Salvatore Girgenti
Nick Leonardos
Husam Rimawi

Ex-Officio:

Councilman Vincent Gentile

COMMUNITY BOARD TEN GUESTS

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COMMUNITY BOARD TEN BOARD MEETING
October 19, 2009, Shore Hill Community Room
MINUTES

Chair Rasinya called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm. June Johnson, the designee to lead the Honor of the Pledge was not present. Chair Rasinya called upon DM Beckmann and CB 10 staff member Garuccio to lead the Honor of the Pledge in her absence.

Motion to adopt the Agenda as amended by BM Cassara; second by BM Ahl. Agenda adopted as amended.

Motion to adopt the Minutes from the September 21, 2009 Board Meeting by BM May; second by BM Colasuonno. Minutes adopted as written.

Presentation by Joseph Sokoloski in memory of his mother, former Board Member Helen Sokoloski to Dwight Lankford, Chairman of the Board of BRAVO for the kindness and general care provided and for the speed in getting Mrs. Sokoloski to the hospital during her emergency. Joseph said that BRAVO treated his mother like family. He also made a presentation to Mary Nolan of the Commodore Barry Club for the care and support shown throughout his mother's illness.

PUBLIC SESSION

Pastor El-Yateem announced that the Arab American Association of New York will hold its gala on November 20th, at 7:00 pm, at the Dyker Beach Golf Club. Chairman Rasinya will be honored at this event. Pastor El-Yateem invited all to attend.

Thomas Greene spoke about Community Board 10's capital request to place a science lab at Denyse Wharf. He thanked the Board for ranking this request as its number five priority last year. He spoke of supporters of the project naming the Mayor and the Chancellor. There is a need for more science labs in New York City because we have fallen so far behind the rest of the world. The city has upgraded programs for Math and English over the past eight years, but has not upgraded its Science programs. Mr. Greene stated that all of our elected officials have written support letters to the Chancellor. The concept of the science lab at Denyse Wharf is to use the ocean to teach the basic sciences – biology, chemistry, earth science and physics. All students, especially those taking Regents exams in high school, are required to learn the sciences. This science lab will provide instruction for grades K through 12, with an emphasis on alternative energy and wind turbines using new technology. He respectfully requested that the Board move this priority up higher on its capital list.

Sister Mary Ita O'Donnell spoke in strong support for the science lab at Denyse Wharf. She stated that the regional science lab will be open to those in grades K – 12 in public, parochial and private schools to learn the curriculum of New York City and State and national standards. She added that this would be a school with classrooms and it is not a field trip. She mentioned that lab work is a requirement from the New York State Board of Regents. She appealed to the Board to raise the priority number for this important request.

Susan Tirotta, representing Assembly Member Hyer-Spencer, stated that two bills have been introduced by Assembly Member Brennan in regards to the drilling in the vicinity of the New York City water supply infrastructure, 1322 and A8748. Assembly Member Hyer-Spencer is a co-sponsor on both. If these bills should pass in the Assembly in January, they still need a Senate sponsor. Both of these bills in the Assembly sit in the Environmental Conservation Committee, Chaired by Assembly Member Robert Sweeney. Sept. 30th the NYS DEC released a draft proposal to govern potential natural gas drilling activities in the Marcellus Shale, specifically horizontal drilling and hydraulic fracturing. The document which is 805 pages and available on line claims to address issues that have been problems in other states, however New York City's watershed is not fully protected by this proposal. A public comment period of the draft is open until November 30th. To date there is only one public session in this area. It will be on Tuesday, November 10th at Stuyvesant High School, 345 Chambers Street. Doors open at 6 pm and the sessions begin at 7 pm. Those interested should check the DEC website to see if any additional sessions will be added.

Susan announced that October is domestic violence awareness month. There are several bills that Assembly Member Hyer-Spencer has sponsored. One of them is the state law that eliminates the service fee on orders of protection for women seeking such orders. Another is a law that defines domestic violence and abuse for unemployment insurance purposes and provides unemployment insurance for survivors of domestic violence. Assembly Member Hyer-Spencer's office is collecting cell phones to be used as lifelines for domestic violence victims. They are also collecting slightly used or new clothing for the dress for success drive in conjunction with the Bay Ridge, Brooklyn Chapter of New York State Women, formerly known as BPW. The drive continues through December 4th. In December the Assembly Member will participate in the toy drive and the New York Cares Coat Drive in conjunction with the 68th Precinct Community Council and the Dyker Heights Civic Association.

Councilman Vincent Gentile spoke about Billy's Law, a law that he has been working on since he was a State Senator in Albany, that was passed by the City Council this week and will be signed by the Mayor later in the month. Councilman Gentile had originally introduced this bill in 2001, and it was subsequently picked up by Senator Golden and Assembly Member Millman. It became law in 2005. Councilman Gentile has been working to get a local law passed since he has been with the City Council. This law requires greater oversight for our special needs children that we send out of state to rehabilitative and educational facilities. Once students are sent out of state, we rarely check to see what the conditions are in those facilities. Councilman Gentile revealed that the state law now requires certain reporting, and the city law requires New York City Department of Education to better track our students from New York City. Currently there are almost 300 NYC students placed out of state. The Councilman credits local resident Vito Albanese for his efforts to get this law passed. Mr. Albanese's son is placed in a New Hampshire facility. The law will require that any type of investigation or any type of action taken against these out of state facilities must be revealed to the parents by NYC DOE.

Councilman Gentile explained about rule changes that the city makes from time to time, such as parking signs by DOT. Another area where the city has changed its policy is fees related to permits and inspections concerning veterans organizations and veterans groups. The Councilman is drafting a bill so that once and for all veterans organizations will be exempt from having to pay the fees for fire inspections and permits which up until now, the Fire Department did not charge the veterans groups as a courtesy. But again, the practice was

changed and the fees have become a burden on the veterans groups. He hopes to have that bill in the process shortly.

The Councilman stated that he has introduced two DOT bills, which would require DOT to notify the Community Board and the local Council Member 60 days prior to changing any parking meter sign or parking meter regulation. He reminded the Board about the recent change in time in parking meters from 30 minutes to 20 minutes and how so many of us only found out about the change when we received a summons. A bill would also require notification on pilot projects such as the new traffic pattern on 7th Avenue and 79th Street in front of PS 127 and the new lane configuration on 7th Avenue near Poly Prep. Councilman Gentile stated that these types of projects need to be better planned, and would have to come before the Community Board for a full presentation under this new bill.

Councilman Gentile invited all to a news conference on Tuesday, October 20th, at 12:30 at the 69th Street Pier. He said that he has a great announcement to make about a new community project that he will be funding, but the announcement would have to wait until tomorrow.

Rosalie Drago spoke about a survey currently being conducted on shoppers' views about Third Avenue. The main point of the survey is to get as much information about the local residents in Bay Ridge so that existing businesses know what products to carry, how to promote products, and what resources are needed. The second point of the survey is to determine what types of businesses and restaurants the local residents would like to see, so that the right types of businesses can be targeted to open on Third Avenue. It is hoped that the results from this survey will help businesses flourish. Surveys are available at the Board Meeting, will be available at the Board Office or at www.thirdavenuebayridge.com. BM May asked if there is any measure in the survey to deal with the trash on Third Avenue. Ms. Drago responded that the survey is meant to get feedback from residents on any issues they feel are important regarding Third Avenue.

Rita Meade of the Brooklyn Public Library thanked the community, the Community Board and especially Councilman Gentile for all their actions to sustain library funding for this fiscal year. The hours of library service have been extended. The Bay Ridge Branch now has two late nights – Tuesday and Thursday from 1 pm – 8 pm. She announced that a limited edition “Elmo” library card is currently available during the month of November.

Laurie Windsor, President, Community Education Council District 20, representing the parents of District 20 students, spoke in support of the Science Lab at Denyse Wharf. She stated that it is so difficult to locate appropriate available sites for schools. This site is available and is appropriate for a K – 8 school. Our community would be able to use the school afterhours, and our neighboring districts would be able to use the space as well. She stated that we all know how wonderful District 20 is, and this would only make it greater.

Robert Newmark spoke about a bridge that was built about 50 years ago that divided this neighborhood in half. With that bridge, there were plans to build a walkway and a bicycle path that was never completed. Every other bridge in New York has a bike lane – Brooklyn Bridge, George Washington Bridge, Williamsburg Bridge. This bridge leaves no way of getting across. On one side of the bridge there is a science center in Fort Wadsworth, and on our side, we want to put a science lab also. This would be an excellent way of connecting these two

areas and promoting tourism, exploration and development. Mr. Newmark asked everyone to think of development and new ways of looking at it. He stated his support for developing Denyse Wharf as a science lab and developing a bike lane for pedestrians and cyclists. He mentioned the East Coast Greenway which is a development project that is pushing a bicycle path from Maine to Georgia to Florida. It is currently almost 20% complete. It would be wonderful to push it down and connect it to Bay Ridge and the Verrazano Bridge.

Vincent Sapienza, Assistant Commissioner, DEP, gave an update about the Owls Head Plant. He stated that during the summer, progress was made on the extension to the residuals building. It will be used to house the grit and grease containers inside an odor controlled environment, instead of outside. This past June the permanent sealed aluminum covers on the primary tanks were completed. DEP feels that progress was made, according to the recent monitoring that was done. He stated that last week there were a couple of tank problems. One was a planned maintenance the other was not. During the summer there were three different minor issues with shorter term odor problems. He stated that this week all is back to normal and that DEP would try to keep the Board in the loop as to anything that goes on at the plant. BM Bortnick asked about the timeframe for completion of the project. Assistant Commissioner Sapienza responded that right now it looks like late 2010.

Linda Lupia, representing Assembly Member Brook-Krasny updated the Board on what the Assembly Member is working on. He met with Local 100 TWU and the MTA regarding members being awarded the independent arbitration hearing of 11%. Assembly Member Brook-Krasny is 100% behind the Local 100 Union. They should be awarded the salary increase because it was done under independent arbitration. As far as State funding cuts, the Assembly Member met with Democratic Majority and Speaker Silver today for a regional conference on the proposed budget cuts made last week by Governor Paterson. They are working hard to have as few cuts as possible, so that all vital services to our community remain. Two other regional conferences will be taking place this week upstate. At the conclusion, the Speaker will make a decision on possibly calling the entire Assembly back to Albany for an extraordinary session. Current legislation Assembly Member Brook-Krasny is working on: he is currently drafting a bill that would provide some offset from increasing water rates to households currently on DRIE (Disability Rent Increase Exemption). He is working closely with the NYC Waterfront Committee for an adoption of an amendment in the New York State Environmental Conservation Law in relation to the classification of the dredged sediment. The Assembly Member has drafted a bill which will be an addition of the Title 35, Section 1, Article 15 of the Environmental Conservation Law. This bill will be introduced in January. This is in regard to dredging New York Harbor in order to accommodate larger ships trying to enter the city, since the start of construction to widen the Panama Canal to accommodate the super max cargo ships. It is important that we dredge as much as possible so that these ships can enter New York City. If we fail to do so, we will lose commerce to Norfolk, VA and other cities that can accommodate these ships. We must find a solution on what can be done with the dredged sediment.

Theresa Miccio spoke strongly in support of naming 5th Avenue and Bay Ridge Parkway on behalf of Rosemarie O'Keefe. She spoke about some of the great work Rosemarie did to improve conditions and the quality of life in Bay Ridge. She called Rosemarie a leader with many followers and stated that she should be recognized for all her contributions.

BM Bortnick spoke against the US Chamber of Commerce who is fighting to prevent America from signing onto global warming and clean energy. He supplied all Board Members with a list of major companies and their phone numbers. He asked that we call these companies and threaten to boycott their products unless they leave the United States Chamber of Commerce or do something to stop the activities to defeat the idea of global warming and do something about clean energy.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Capital and Expense Budget Priorities for Fiscal Year 2011

Capital Budget Priorities

Chair Rasinya stated that at the Executive Committee meeting, all were instructed that we had received information that anything having to do with the Department of Education should not be on our Capital Budget. In the past we had included these items. Based on that information, our request for Denyse Wharf was deleted. Since the Executive Committee Meeting, we clarified the information, which turned out to be erroneous. Denyse Wharf was number 5 on our request list previously. Discussion followed. BM Cassara made a motion to move Denyse Wharf up to number 2. He mentioned the support we have heard already at this Board Meeting, and stated that this is something our community needs.

BM Cruz requested clarification on priority number 8, which is related to the reconstruction of the Shore Parkway Seawall/Bike Path from the Verrazano Bridge to Bay 8th Street. She stated that she was under the impression that the restoration of the Seawall from 69th Street to the Verrazano Bridge was federally funded. She questioned why then, this request would be on our list. Chair Rasinya answered that we had originally requested funding for that work also, and we would take whatever funding we could get. DM Beckmann clarified that all funding for the repair of the Seawall was city funding. There was not one dollar in federal funding for that work. The New York City Comptroller declared an emergency when the Seawall caved in. The emergency funds were allocated through a DEP contract and the Parks Department oversaw that. The Seawall/Bicycle Path is all New York City funded, that is why we can allocate for that on our Capital list. Chair Rasinya reiterated, for anyone who may be under the wrong impression, that one of our elected officials supposedly obtained money for that work, which he did not. Or, if he did, we haven't seen any money yet. It was all of our taxpayer dollars that funded the Seawall work.

BM Stelter asked about priority number 13, the 76th Street Steps. He questioned if the agency should be DOT, not Parks. DM Beckmann clarified that the actual steps are the jurisdiction of DOT and the grassy areas to the sides lie with Parks.

Expense Budget Priorities

Chair Rasinya asked if there is any question or discussion on our Expense Budget Priorities. BM Grimaldi commented that many of our priorities state that funding should come from our existing funding. She asked if this happens normally, or if there is some type of advocacy we should be doing when it doesn't happen. DM Beckmann explained that every year each agency in the City of New York gets a budget, and each year we advocate for certain agencies not to get cuts. She stated that the responses we see here are standard and they are

reflective of our input. Our concern has been making sure our requests are made a priority. This fiscal year is the first year we are worried because things are a little bit different, particularly as it relates to Sanitation services. All basket collections have been reduced by one basket collection each day. This is a big concern, as well as the motorized litter patrols. In talking to the Department of Sanitation, those funds have been cut. We do see a reduction in services. We continue to stay on top of our local Sanitation offices when we know there is a problem, but the answer to those problems is that it will take a little longer to get things done.

BM Grimaldi asked about priority number 18 related to library funding. She asked if placing this request at number 18 is correct, since we were on a hard push to continue library services without cuts. Chair Rasinya stated that the library funding she is referring to comes from the local Councilman, and we would not need to push this request up.

Chair Rasinya called the motion to accept the capital budget as amended, moving number 5 to number 2 and moving 2, 3, and 4 down one and to accept the expense budget as presented. Motion by BM El-Yateem, second by BM Collins. All in favor; motion carried.

In the matter of a request for renewal to operate an unenclosed sidewalk café with 16 tables and 32 seats at Paneantico Bakery Café Inc., 9124 3rd Avenue, the Zoning and Land Use Committee Report and Recommendation was rendered by ZALUC Chair Seminara; see attached. Paneantico Bakery Café was represented by Josephine D'Angelo Buono. Motion to approve renewal of this application by BM Cassara; second by BM May.

Motion: In the matter of a request for renewal to operate an unenclosed sidewalk café with 16 tables and 32 seats at Paneantico Bakery Café Inc., 9124 3rd Avenue, the Zoning and Land Use Committee recommendation is to support this application. All in favor; motion carried unanimously.

In the matter of a request for renewal to operate an unenclosed sidewalk café with 5 tables and 20 seats at Maria Louisa Restaurant, Inc., d/b/a Restaurant 101, at 10018 Fourth Avenue, the Zoning and Land Use Committee Report and Recommendation was rendered by ZALUC Chair Seminara; see attached. Motion to approve renewal of this application by BM Ahl; second by BM Vella-Marrone. Discussion followed with a question about the licensing agency from BM Stelter. ZALUC Chair Seminara clarified that the licensing agency is Department of Consumer Affairs.

Motion: In the matter of a request for renewal to operate an unenclosed sidewalk café with 5 tables and 20 seats at Maria Louisa Restaurant Inc., d/b/a Restaurant 101, 10018 Fourth Avenue, the Zoning and Land Use Committee recommendation is to support this application. All in favor; motion carried unanimously.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT – See Attached

DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT – See Attached

TREASURER'S REPORT – See Attached

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BY LAWS COMMITTEE

By Laws Committee Chair Fontas spoke about the proposed amendment to Community Board Ten By Laws submitted by By Laws Chair Fontas in writing to Chairperson Rasinya September 8, 2009. He stated that the Committee did not have an opportunity to meet this month, however he wanted to respond to some of the questions that were raised at the September 21 Board Meeting. Two issues were addressed: (1.) The grouping of Committees, and (2.) The position of Parliamentarian. Research on proper procedure is ongoing. It may be possible to make an amendment or take a motion to make changes to what was announced, but it is not clear yet if that would be the correct protocol. By Laws Chair Fontas stated that there are two things that can be done: (1.) it can be referred back to Committee for a meeting in November; or (2.) we can take a motion to table, and send that motion back to Committee as well. Chair Rasinya clarified that the Committee can meet and discuss the issue of the Parliamentarian position, come up with an answer and report back. If we want we could make a motion at that time. Still being researched is how to handle a change, if we have one, to the By Laws amendment after it has been published for three consecutive months. The Committee will meet and we will hopefully come back with an answer if there are some minor changes. BM Kieran stated that we are still researching and are not really 100% sure as to the consequences and the way to proceed. By Laws Chair Fontas stated that we do not want to vote on a motion today and then it turns out that we were never supposed to have taken that motion. He added that we just want to make sure we get it right. BM Schiano asked exactly what we are referring to, just the Parliamentarian position or also the grouping of committees. She asked if the Committee will reconsider the grouping of committees. BM Seminara asked if the Committee comes up with another motion, if that would need to be published for another three months. By Laws Chair Fontas responded that we are not sure if we could amend what was published for three months or if the new amendment would have to be published for three months. That would push it to the next Chair. BM Harrison asked if this was the third month the amendment was published, and the response was no, it is the second month. His feeling is that the published amendment just means there will be a motion and vote on that day. Like any motion that is made, motions from the floor to amend it can be made. Chair Rasinya stated that when the Committee Meeting is set, the entire Board will be informed. Any Board Member wishing to attend may do so. BM Schiano asked if any motion would be taken tonight. Chair Rasinya answered that we will wait until the Committee meets, and then take the motion next month. BM Schiano understood that taking a motion tonight would hold up the process. BM Harrison added that Robert's Rules of Order are very clear on this.

HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

The Health and Welfare Committee Informational Report was rendered by Acting Chair Collins. See attached.

ZONING AND LAND USE COMMITTEE

In the matter of a modification of plans submitted for an unenclosed sidewalk café for Little Cupcake Corp., 9102 3rd Avenue, the ZALUC Report and Recommendation was rendered by ZALUC Chair Seminara. See attached. Motion: To approve the modification of plans as submitted.

Motion: To approve of the application for plans to downsize the unenclosed sidewalk café for Little Cupcake Corp., 9102 3rd Avenue, from 8 tables and 16 seats to 7 tables and 14 seats. All in favor; motion carried unanimously.

Zoning and Land Use Chair Seminara continued to render the ZALUC Report regarding lot line construction between 123 and 127 87th Street. See attached.

ZALUC Chair Seminara continued the Committee Report regarding the Department of City Planning Streetscape Text Amendment, see attached. Discussion followed. The Zoning and Land Use Committee Recommendation is to write to the Department of City Planning to express our concern about the proposed text change and strongly urge that DCP amend the text to prohibit all front yard parking, and in particular, parking in that portion of a side lot ribbon, that lies in a front yard, that is between a building and the front lot line. A copy will be sent to the Borough President, Councilman Gentile and any other relevant agencies and elected officials. Motion from the floor to send such a letter by BM Vella-Marrone, second by BM Schiano. Discussion followed. BM Romero asked if in the case of 846 70th Street, hasn't it already been approved that the homeowner could use that space to park their car, in which case it would already be grandfathered in to what already exists. ZALUC Chair Seminara responded that anyone who has already received a permit could install their parking pad. It does not rescind the permit, it just prohibits future applications from being approved.

Motion: CB 10 to write to the Department of City Planning to express our concern about the proposed streetscape text change and strongly urge that DCP amend the text to prohibit all front yard parking, and in particular, parking in that portion of a side lot ribbon, that lies in a front yard, that is between a building and the front lot line. A copy will be sent to the Borough President, Councilman Gentile and any other relevant agencies and elected officials. 35 in favor; 1 abstention – BM Bortnick; 1 recusal – BM Stelter. Motion carried.

TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Before rendering the T&T Report, T&T Chair Kieran announced that our neighbor, Community Board 7 has their 197A plan in place. It is not just Community Board 10 and 11 standing up and trying to put their own stamp and have some control on how property and land can be used in their community.

Traffic and Transportation Chair Kieran rendered the T&T Report and Recommendation. See attached. The Committee recommended a motion to request a traffic study by NYC DOT at the intersection of 75th Street and 7th Avenue, including an evaluation of whether placement of a dedicated turning signal for eastbound and westbound traffic on 75th Street seeking to turn would improve pedestrian and vehicle safety. The study would encompass peak time traffic patterns and consider phasing the light sequences to maximize the time a pedestrian would have to get across 7th Avenue. Motion by BM Stelter; second by BM Ahl. Discussion followed. BM Cassara stated that he lives in the area and suggests there be two dedicated lanes for through traffic, and elimination of parking on the overpass. T&T Chair Kieran reiterated that the recommendation of the Committee is to ask specifically about the turning signal. An overall study will be done and DOT will report back to us.

Motion: CB 10 to request a traffic study by NYC DOT at the intersection of 75th Street and 7th Avenue, including an evaluation of whether placement of a dedicated turning signal for eastbound and westbound traffic on 75th Street seeking to turn would improve pedestrian and vehicle safety. The study would encompass peak time traffic patterns and consider phasing the light sequences to maximize the time a pedestrian would have to get across 7th Avenue. All in favor; motion carried.

Traffic and Transportation Committee Chair Kieran continued to render the T&T Committee Report and Recommendation regarding a request to name the southwest corner of Bay Ridge Parkway and 5th Avenue "Rosemarie O'Keefe Way." See attached. BM Seminara added that this street was already named for Rosemarie O'Keefe temporarily following her tenure with the City. She was so delighted and happy about that. This is a way to honor her that she really would have appreciated. Motion from the floor by BM Schiano, who added that the trees on upper 3rd Avenue were planted because of Rosemarie O'Keefe, working with the Merchants Association at the time. She helped the Merchants Association get the grant for the trees. T&T Chair Kieran added that there was an overwhelming response from the community in support of this request. Motion second by BM May.

Motion: To request that the southwest corner of Bay Ridge Parkway and 5th Avenue be named "Rosemarie O'Keefe Way." All in favor; motion carried.

BM Cruz inquired about the timeframe to get the street named. DM Beckmann responded that the City Council will vote on street namings in December. She feels that by the spring, DOT should have the sign prepared. Chair Rasinya recognized that Bill O'Keefe was in attendance.

OLD BUSINESS

BM Joudeh stated that the 5th Avenue BID had a meeting with DOT, and the only thing that was achieved was that the DOT agents would be given more education and more power. He added that what we are getting is more tickets.

NEW BUSINESS

BM Cassara announced that on Friday, October 30th at Lehman College there will be a conference on alternative energy. It starts at 9:00 am. He will forward information to the District Office for distribution to Board Members.

Chair Rasinya adjourned the meeting at 8:58 pm.

**Zoning and Land Use Committee Meeting
Community Board 10
October 8, 2009**

Committee Members present: Ann Falutico, Michael Festa, Barbara Germack, Ron Gross, Steve Harrison, Scott Klein, Dino Lamia, Susan Pulaski, Fran Vella-Marrone, Mary Ann Walsh, and District Manager Josephine Beckmann.

Guests present: Susan Tirotta from Assembly Member Janele Hyer-Spencer's office, and Frank Buono, representing Paneantico Bakery Café Inc.

Unenclosed Sidewalk Café Renewals:

1. Maria Louisa Restaurant, Inc., doing business as Restaurant 101, located at 10018 4th Avenue. This is an application to renew a permit for a café with 5 tables and 20 seats which remains unchanged. District Manager Josephine Beckmann reported no complaints concerning this establishment. ZALUC unanimously voted to approve the renewal application.
2. Paneantico Bakery Café, Inc., located at 9124 3rd Avenue. This is an application with 16 tables and 32 seats which remain unchanged. This applicant was represented at the meeting by Frank Buono. District Manager Josephine Beckmann reported no complaints concerning the establishment. ZALUC unanimously voted to approve the renewal application.
3. Little Cupcake Corp., 9102 3rd Avenue. This application was approved by ZALUC and permitted by the Department of Consumer Affairs in March of this year. Applicant comes before Consumer Affairs simply seeking to downsize the café from 8 tables and 16 seats to 7 tables and 14 seats. There are no complaints reported about this establishment and ZALUC unanimously voted to approve the application.

123 87th Street/127 87th Street – For Discussion Only:

We briefly discussed the situation regarding the side yard wall dispute between adjoining lots owned by the Gershon and Cunningham parties on 87th Street. There was recently a finding set forth in a court decision after hearing that the lot line wall violates Zoning Resolution requirements and illegally encroaches on the Gershon lot. This decision was recently confirmed by Court order. Some 2 months ago, a request for an "emergency declaration" was made to the DOB by Mr. and Mrs. Gershon of 127 87th Street and supported by the Board in our letter to DOB. This declaration was not granted by DOB based on their finding that it was unwarranted. At this time the Gershons asked that we support their request for a "nuisance abatement" finding by DOB. ZALUC discussed this request and the Committee unanimously decided that no action by the Board was warranted at this time.

Residential Streetscape Presentation Text Amendment:

The Department of City Planning is proposing a citywide text amendment to the Zoning Resolution to “preserve and enhance the streetscape character of residential neighborhoods. The amendment would modify rules that govern the location of residential parking spaces and curb cuts and strengthen the recently adopted front yard planning requirements. “

Chair Dean Rasinya and District Manger Josephine Beckmann attended the October Borough Board Meeting where a presentation was made by the New York City Department of City Planning outlining their proposed text amendment. It had been District Manager Beckmann’s and the Board’s position that a text amendment was needed to clarify current Zoning Resolution regulations that related, in particular, to front yard parking in lots with completely attached dwellings in R4-1 districts, as a result of the proliferation of such front yard parking in such “non conforming” structures, as occurred ---for one of the first times after passage of the Dyker rezoning --- on District Manger Beckmann’s block, 70th Street between Fort Hamilton Parkway and 8th Avenue.

District Manager Josephine Beckmann presented a summary of the proposed amendment by DCP. Based on the presentation both District Manger Beckmann and ZALUC do not agree that the proposal as presented solves the problem of front yard parking in the R4-1 district or other districts. We believe that the proposal, as written, does not contain precise enough language to describe what it allegedly seeks to prohibit.

ZALUC discussed the matter and unanimously voted to write to the DCP to express its concern about the proposed text change and strongly urge that DCP amend the text to prohibit all front yard parking and, in particular, in that portion of a side lot ribbon that lies in a front yard, that is, between a building wall and the front lot line. Copies of our letter will be sent to the Borough President’s office, Council Member Gentile, and any other relevant agencies and elected officials. Subsequent to the ZALUC, Community Board 11 sent a letter expressing similar concern to the Department of City Planning and Department of Buildings.

Respectfully Submitted,


Joanne Seminara
Chair

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Good Evening fellow Board Members and guests:

On September 30th I testified at the New York State Liquor Authority hearing concerning the application for a restaurant wine license for Crown KTV Inc., (Karaoke Television) 848 64 Street.

The Commissioners sitting on the hearing committee were extremely interested in learning what happened during the negotiations between Community Board 10 and the applicant.

After informing the Commissioners about our deliberations and reviewing the 12 stipulations which the applicant agreed to, the Commissioners asked the applicant if my testimony accurately reflected what had transpired.

The applicant said it did, and the Chairman of the panel further informed the applicant that all of the stipulations are enforceable and a summons can be issued for any violation of the stipulations.

The applicant indicated he understood this and agreed to the stipulations. The Chairman then informed him that the stipulations would be part of the record for the issuance of a license and available for law enforcement officers. I would like once again to thank the Police and Public Safety Committee, Brian Kieran, and Committee Chair Susan Pulaski for the excellent work they are doing.

I would also like to thank Governor Paterson's representative and former Board 10 Member Tobias Russo for all of his help. In addition to attending both SLA hearings concerning this matter, he has been extremely helpful concerning enforcement issues which have arisen in the past.

I recently had the opportunity to read a guest editorial written by our Council Member Vincent Gentile which appeared in the October 1, 2009 issue of the New York Daily news and would like to share parts of it with you:

“The real problem that needs to be fixed on our streets – a problem that just about any commuter understands – is the aggressive and unfair culture of parking enforcement and ticketing in this city.

It's a culture of acrimony instead of partnership; of unfair targeting instead of fair ticketing; of raising revenue instead of keeping our streets safe and clear.

Ticketing in New York City is no longer a method of keeping our streets safe. It has evolved into a desperate attempt to put the burden of closing the city's budget gap on the backs of people who live, work and raise families here.”

During the past eight years, “nearly 80 million tickets have been issued costing New York City drivers more than \$4 billion.”

The article goes on to state that our Councilman is drafting a number of bills to help level the playing field for drivers who are appealing a ticket.

My reason for sharing this with you is that I believe the time has come for all New Yorkers to speak up about the aggressive and unfair culture of parking enforcement and ticketing in our city.

I do not believe it is enough for the individual who receives an unfair ticket to complain. I think we should all speak out regarding this matter. I am referring this issue to the Traffic and Transportation Committee for their consideration and any recommendations they deem appropriate. Specifically, I am requesting that the Traffic and Transportation Committee discuss the issue of aggressive parking enforcement and ticketing within Community Board 10 and make recommendations as to possible solutions.

I also encourage everyone to take a copy of Councilman Gentile's editorial which is on the back table.

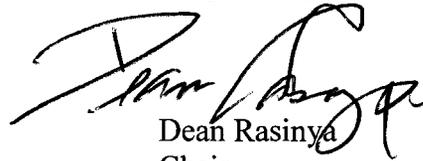
As is customary at the October Board Meeting, I am appointing the following Board Members to the 2009 Community Board 10 Nominating Committee:

Dilia Schack, Chair
Mary Nolan, Greg Ahl, Michael Casale and Doris Cruz, Members

I am requesting the Nominating Committee Members meet with me at the conclusion of this meeting.

Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dean Rasinya", is written over the typed name and title.

Dean Rasinya
Chair

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DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT

October 19, 2009

Good Evening Board Members:

On Wednesday, September 30, 2009, I attended the Brooklyn Borough Consultations at Brooklyn Municipal Building. I would like to thank Vice Chair MaryAnn Walsh for attending. We discussed our budget priorities and concerns with key officials from the Department of Sanitation.

The New York City Department of Sanitation informed us that leaf collection has been cancelled once again for this fiscal year. Leaves can be placed in regular black bags and will be picked up with regular household garbage. The second pick up of public trash receptacles on our commercial strips has also been cut. There have been cut backs to the second basket collection of corner baskets and to the Motorized Litter Patrol teams.

Once per year, the NYC Department of Sanitation designates one section of our District to a night collection schedule. This occurs from November through April to allow one shift to be on an overnight tour in the event of a snowstorm. This year is Section 4 is the Dyker Heights portion of our Board running from 62nd Street to 86th Street and 7th Avenue to 14th Avenue. The important thing for residents to know who live in this section is that you should continue to put your garbage out the same night of collection because workers will pick up trash midnight to 8AM or on the following day on the 4PM to midnight shift.

Tomorrow, the 68th Police Precinct Community Council will be hosting its October Meeting at Shore Hill Community Room. This month – the Police Officers of the Month will be honored from June through September and special recognition will be made to those who volunteered during Night Out Against Crime.

The Verrazano-Narrows Belt Parkway Staten Island on-bound (westbound) ramp, will be closed tomorrow for repaving work. The work on the Staten Island-bound ramp will begin on Tuesday, Oct. 20th from 11 PM to 5 AM Wednesday resulting in the closure of the westbound ramp.

Work on the Brooklyn-bound off ramp (eastbound) will begin **Wednesday, Oct. 21st between 11 PM and 5 AM** and will continue on **Thursday, Oct. 22nd at 11 PM, if necessary**. All work is weather-permitting.

Our young Eagle Scout candidate, Tom Kramer has completed his cell phone collection project for victims of Domestic Violence. He thanked all Board Members and residents who dropped off phones to the District Office.

I would like to extend congratulations to Board Member Fran Vella-Marrone, President Dyker Heights Civic Association who was honored by the Neighborhood Improvement Association and Eleanor Schiano who was honored by State Senator Martin J. Golden for Italian Heritage Month.

Sunday, November 1, 2009 is the ING NYC Marathon. As you know this event impacts our District. I will be e-mailing you with specific details regarding the opening and closing of traffic to the VZ Bridge as well as posting it on the Website when it becomes available.

Our Next Board Meeting will take place on **Monday, November 16, 2009, at the Norwegian Christian Home 1250 67th Street, 7:15PM.**

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Josephine Beckmann". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "J".

Josephine Beckmann
District Manager

**COMMUNITY BOARD TEN
TREASURER'S REPORT**

Fiscal Year: July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010

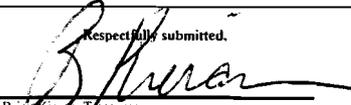
Budget Appropriation for FY 10	\$206,895.00
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DISTRICT MANAGER	\$6,269.46	\$12,860.90	\$6,781.06										
COMMUNITY COORDINATOR													
COMMUNITY ASSOCIATE	\$4,000.86	\$4,000.86	\$4,000.86										
COMMUNITY ASSISTANT													
Total Personal Services	\$10,270.32	\$16,861.76	\$10,781.92	\$0.00	\$37,914.00								

ExpensesCode	Description	7/31/09	8/31/09	9/30/09	10/31/09	11/30/09	12/31/09	1/31/10	2/28/10	3/31/10	4/30/10	5/31/10	6/30/10	Y - T - D
10B	Telephone	190.00	185.32	187.28										
10X	Intra-City Supplies													
40B	Intra-City Telephone													
100	Supplies & Materials													
101	Printing Supplies													
117	Postage													
170	Cleaning Supplies													
199	Data Processing Supplies													
302	Telecomm. Equipment													
314	Office furniture													
315	Office Equipment													
319	Security Equipment		135.00	135.00										
332	Data Process Equipment													
337	Books													
402	Tel /Communications													
412	Rental/Misc /Equip		18.02	107.41										
417	Advertising													
431	Leasing Misc. Equip.													
451	Local travel expenditures													
602	Telecomm. Maintenance	21.70	21.70	21.70										
612	Office Equip. Maint.													
613	Data Process Equipment													
615	Printing Supplies													
622	Temporary Services-contractual		500.00											
624	Cleaning Services													
Total Other than Personal Services		\$211.70	\$860.04	\$451.39	\$0.00	0.00	\$1,523.13							

TOTAL PS AND OTPS EXPENSES	10,482.02	17,721.80	11,233.31	0.00	39,437.13									
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TOTAL UNCUMBERED BUDGET BALANCE														\$167,457.87
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Respectfully submitted,

 Brian Kjersten, Treasurer

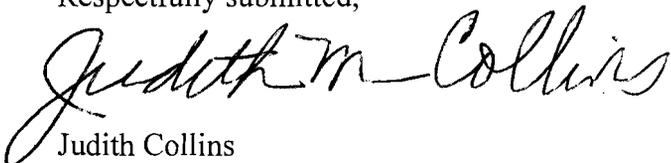
**Community Board 10
Health and Welfare Committee Report
October 6, 2009**

The Health and Welfare Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday, October 6, 2009 at the Community Board 10 office. Judith Collins, Committee Member, covered the meeting for Jeannie May, Chairperson, who was excused. Those present were: Maryann Walsh, Executive Board Member, Janet General from CERT, Linda Feeley, a community volunteer, and her daughter, Elizabeth, Susan Tirota, on the staff of Assemblywoman Janele Hyer-Spencer, and Paula Katinas from the Home Reporter/Spectator.

Janet General gave the history of CERT – Community Emergency Response Team – from its origins post 9/11 up to the present time. Our CERT covers Community Boards 10 and 11. Members must be 18 and over. They receive extensive training by OEM – Office of Emergency Management – on various aspects of preparedness. Members of CERT can and have helped first responders in our community. Ms. General cited the work of CERT during the tornado in 2007, as well as looking out for those with special needs who may wander away from loved ones. Building stronger teams is an ongoing goal according to Ms. General. She shared CERT literature and applications.

Linda Feeley, an area resident who worked on the relief effort sponsored by State Senator Golden and Councilman Gentile for victims of the Third Avenue fire during the summer, is seeking a site for donated items that are left over. She would like a plan ready locally to help victims of the next unforeseen event. Ms. General from CERT elaborated on the importance of a “Go Bag” in every household and stressed personal responsibility. Susan Tirota shared ways community resources may be tapped to help disaster survivors.

Respectfully submitted,



Judith Collins
Acting Chair
Health and Welfare Committee Member

October 14, 2009

The Traffic and Transportation Committee met in quorum at the district office to consider the application for a public renaming of the South West corner of Bay Ridge Parkway (75th St.) And 5th Avenue to "Rosemarie O'Keefe Way". The application was submitted by Judith Grimaldi and was supported by over 20 calls and letters from members of the of the community. Larry Morrish, Doris Cruz and Mary Ann Walsh passionately spoke out in favor of the application. The application is supported by all of our public officials. Senator Golden eloquently stated in a letter to the committee that for all Rosemarie did for our community "it is only fitting that we rename this street" in honor of her memory.

Rosmarie O'Keefe was a resident of Bay Ridge and lived on 75th Street for many years. She dedicated her life to protecting and improving our community through her leadership of the Alliance of Bay Ridge Block Associations, in the Bay Ridge Community Council, as community liaison for Congressman Susan Molinari and Senator Chris Mega. She also was a dedicated public servant who went above and beyond to serve the community as Assistant Commissioner of the NYC Parks Department and later as Commissioner of the NYC Community Assistance Unit. It was in her role as commissioner that she coordinated efforts to assist survivors of large tragic events that affected New Yorkers including the TWA Flight 800 and the Swissair Flight 111 crashes. Rosemarie was tapped by the mayor to be the Director of the September 11th Family Relief Center. She performed all of her duties with grace, zeal and good humor. Throughout her service to others she remained a dedicated wife to her husband, Bill, a considerate neighbor and devoted friend to countless people in Bay Ridge/Dyker Heights and beyond. Rosemarie O'Keefe is an appropriate candidate for the renaming of public space under our guidelines due to her extraordinary service to the community and for her distinguished work as a public servant over many years. The Committee unanimously voted to recommend to the board that the application be approved.

The Committee revisited old business and discussed pedestrian and vehicle safety at the intersection of 75th st. and 7th Avenue near the entrance of the westbound Gowanus Expressway (heading toward the VNB) [this is the Bay Ridge side of the highway intersection not the St. Ephraim intersection]. Mary Ann Walsh submitted accident statistics supplied by the NYPD for the corner which suggest that accidents have increased at the intersection over the past 2 years. The Committee discussed the issues and listened to Mary Ann Walsh's personal story of a family member who was seriously injured in a vehicle/pedestrian accident at that corner. The committee unanimously voted to recommend to the board that a request for a traffic study be made to the NYC/DOT for the intersection. We believe that the study should specifically evaluate weather the placement of a dedicated turning signal for both westbound and eastbound 75th Street traffic, seeking to turn and head toward the Gowanus Expressway entrance, would improve pedestrian/vehicle safety there. The study should encompass peak time traffic patterns and consider phasing the light sequence to maximize the time a pedestrian has to get across 7th Avenue without traffic crossing the walkway.

The Committee will add to our future agenda: crosswalk placement on 65th street, milling and paving jobs for 75th Street and parking meter installation at 4th Avenue near Marine Avenue.

Respectfully submitted,



STATE LIQUOR AUTHORITY – NEW APPLICATIONS & RENEWALS

<u>Name/Address</u>	<u>Received at CB 10</u>	<u>Status</u>
The 8801 Corp., d/b/a Cebu, 8801 3 rd Avenue	10-9-09	Renewal
Captiva Enterprises, Inc., d/b/a Cappuccino Café, 7721 3 rd Avenue	10-9-09	Renewal
Something Greek, LLC, 7616 3 rd Avenue	10-13-09	New Application
Eltagine Restaurant LLC, d/b/a La Maison Du Couscous 484 77 th Street	10-14-09	Renewal
8305 Food & Beverage Corp, d/b/a Aura, 8305 3 rd Avenue	10-15-09	Renewal
Amalia's Restaurant Inc., 8612 4 th Avenue	10-19-09	Renewal
M & L Liquor Store Inc., 7134 5 th Avenue	10-21-09	Renewal
Tereus Café Inc., d/b/a Omonia café, 7612-16 3 rd Avenue	10-21-09	Alteration of premises – 7616 3 rd Avenue will be separated from 7612-14 3 rd Avenue with a wall and returned to the landlord
Quick Stop Newsstand, 569 92 nd Street	10-21-09	Renewal
Athena Restaurant SAS Inc., 484 77 th Street	10-26-09	New Application
Two Leos Restaurant Inc., d/b/a Goodfella's Restaurant and Bar, 9606 3 rd Avenue	10-27-09	Renewal
The Nox Euro Asia Cocktail & Lounge Ltd., 9310 4 th Ave	10-30-09	Renewal
The 8801 Corp., d/b/a CEBU, 8801 3 rd Avenue	11-2-09	Renewal
Bou Bou Restaurant Corp., d/b/a Plaka Restaurant 406 86 th Street	11-4-09	Renewal
Bagel Barn, LLC., 1256-65 Street	11-4-09	Renewal
Quick Stop Newsstand, 569 92 nd Street	11-6-09	Renewal