

**Community Board Ten Board Meeting Attendance**  
**Knights of Columbus**  
**Monday, February 27, 2012 – 7:15 pm**

Board Members Present: 34

Greg Ahl  
Liz Amato  
Allen Bortnick  
Shirley Chin  
Judith Collins  
Ida D'Amelio  
Anna DeMetz  
Khader El-Yateem  
Michael Festa  
George Fontas  
Judith Grimaldi  
Ronald Gross  
Robert Hudock  
June Johnson  
Habib Joudeh  
Katherine Khatari  
Dino Lamia  
Nikolaos Leonardos  
Rhea McCone  
Rita Meade  
Mary Nolan  
Eleanor Petty  
Susan Pulaski  
Mary Quinones  
Dean Rasinya  
Husam Rimawi  
Susan Romero  
Joanne Seminara  
Joseph Sokoloski  
Lawrence Stelter  
Sandy Vallas  
Fran Vella-Marrone  
Mary Ann Walsh  
Lori Willis

Board Members Excused: 14

Kevin Peter Carroll  
Laura Caruso  
Doris Cruz  
Ann Falutico  
Barbara Germack  
Andrew Gounardes  
Stephen Harrison  
Brian Kieran  
Scott Klein  
Stella Kokolis  
Jeannie May  
Jean Ryan  
Dilia Schack  
Eleanor Schiano

Board Members Absent: 2

Michael Casale  
Luigi Lobuglio

Ex-Officio:

Councilman Vincent Gentile

## COMMUNITY BOARD TEN GUESTS

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Name/Address	Phone #	Fax #	E-Mail Address	Organization/Affiliation
MARIO I Mendez	347-242-0071 718-567-1329	718-567-1001	mario.mendez@ downstate.edu	Downstate @ Bayridge
Va(A) Henry	917-497-2244	718-773 2744	valen4@ gmail.com	Downstate Med Ch.
Bina Valenzano	718-833-5115		bina@bookmarkshoppe.com	Merchants of 3 <sup>rd</sup> Ave
John P. Murphy	718-373-0618			
Beth Gomez	(718)680-6344		bgomez@ccbq.org	Catholic Charities Our Lady of Angels
Joan Kennedy			HONEYJOAN 46 @ verizon.NET	DISTRICT ATTORNEY HYNE'S
LARRY MORRIS	917-826-3628			
<del>Carla</del>	<del>347-467-1111</del>			
Helen Ke	718-238-6600 x115			
Tony Cabral	916-477-0571			AMNESTIA

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Name/Address	Phone #	Fax #	E-Mail Address	Organization/Affiliation
Nicholas Chabrus	812 987-0897			Office of Assemblyman Nide Mallistabes
Cathy Santopietro	718 630 4783			F. H. M. ARMY
Ray Riley	718 235-6044			Sen. Golden
PC Kirschner	718 435-4225			68TH PCT
Alex Smorodla	718 791 8484			
Andrew Steininger	718 903 8777			
PAT COLABELLA	718 236-1468			
Sarah Vallaw	718 837-1007			
Mick Perano	212 997 2002			
<del>RD</del> DONNA Colabella	718 234-0190			

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Name/Address	Phone #	Fax #	E-Mail Address	Organization/Affiliation
Dina Vallaro 1371 85 <sup>th</sup> St	718-331-1246			
Keefe Vallaro 1371 85 <sup>th</sup> St.	718-331-1246			
Mickey Sperano	718-331-3047			
Kenneth Lazar				NYC DOB
LINDA ORLANDO 260 65 <sup>th</sup> 23L	238-9135	238 9135	LINDAORLANDO@aol	
Anthony CURRAN/HARRY Capt Girvan KASHER	68 9th St			
Sgt Skaya / P. Byrne	68 9th St			

**COMMUNITY BOARD TEN BOARD MEETING**  
**February 27, 2012 – Knights of Columbus**  
**MINUTES**

Chair Seminara called the meeting to order at 7:20 PM and introduced Thomas M. Chan, Assistant Chief, Commanding Officer, NYPD Patrol Borough Brooklyn South to lead the Honor of the Pledge.

Chair Seminara asked for a motion from the floor to adopt the Minutes from the January 23, 2012 Board Meeting. Motion by BM D'Amelio; second by BM Vallas. Minutes adopted as written.

**PUBLIC SESSION**

Assembly Member Alec Brook-Krasny noted that the Assembly is moving forward in the budget process and it may be completed before April 1<sup>st</sup>. He announced legislation increasing the minimum wage to \$8.50 per hour. The Assemblyman noted that there will be \$25 Million available for summer youth employment. He also noted that he is sponsoring two new bills: one would prohibit countries from participating in New York State procurement, and the second would provide home schooled children the opportunity to participate in sports programs and other activities sponsored at schools.

BM Bortnick asked Assemblyman Brook-Krasny for an update on fracking. The Assemblyman replied that the Assembly is on his side against fracking.

With regard to the budget, Assembly Member Peter Abbate stated that they are very close to completion and noted there will be a 4% increase for education and a 4% increase in health care. He stated that none of the talk about fracking includes watershed areas.

Val Henry of SUNY Downstate Bay Ridge Urgent Care Center introduced Maria Mendez, the Brooklyn Site Administrator. Ms. Mendez announced that SUNY Downstate is offering free flu shots and free colorectal cancer screening. They have expanded to include an ambulatory surgery center, advanced endoscopy center and laser vision correction center. She encouraged everyone to spread the word about SUNY Downstate and keep it in mind for their medical needs.

Andrew Steininger from the Brooklyn Borough President's office announced that the 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue Task Force meeting will be held on March 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM at Our Lady of Angels Church.

Chuck Otey spoke about the television show "Bay Ridge 11223" which portrays Bay Ridge in a negative light, and spoke about the positive aspects of our neighborhood.

Beth Gomez representing Catholic Charities announced free Caregiver Support Group meetings which will be held every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month from 3:00-4:30 PM at Our Lady of Angels Human Service Center. They also run a food pantry from that location and provide case management services.

Bob Muldoon announced that New Yorkers Against Gun Violence is presenting the film "Living for 32" about Virginia Tech and gun violence on Sunday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 PM at St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Staten Island. The film is followed by speaker Colin Goddard, a survivor of the shooting.

Pat Colabella spoke in opposition of the traffic light being installed at the corner of 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 85<sup>th</sup> Street. He feels DOT does not listen to the community. He has a petition with 35 signatures from people who do not want this traffic light installed, and he feels they should be listened to.

Maria Mirra, Antonio Troia, Arthur Maresca, Charles Atilas and Letitia Quintono, all associated with Amnesia or the owner, spoke in support of the Cabaret license for Amnesia.

Chair Seminara asked for a motion from the floor to adopt the Amended Agenda. Motion by BM Vella-Marrone; second by BM Vallas. Agenda adopted as amended.

After the Public Session ended, Pat Colabella asked how the 4% funding increase in education will be spent in our community. Assembly Member Abbate responded that there is no way of knowing how the money will be spent. Chair Seminara noted that this may be addressed at a committee meeting.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

In the matter of the adoption and support of the Capital and Expense Priorities for Fiscal Year 2013, Chair Seminara stated that we are at the point of the budget process where we have the opportunity to reaffirm the priorities that were previously submitted by the Board. At this point we cannot change our requests but we do have the ability to reaffirm our priorities. She noted that Board Members received the agency responses we received to our Budget Priorities in the mail. We typically pass a motion asking the City and various agencies to take us seriously, and reaffirm the priorities that we presented earlier. Chair Seminara asked for a motion that we reaffirm Community Board Ten's Fiscal Year 2013 Capital and Expense Budget Priorities. Motion by BM Ahl; seconded by BM Romero.

**Motion: CB 10 to reaffirm our Expense Priorities for Fiscal Year 2013. All in favor. Motion carried.**

## **CHAIR'S REPORT – See Attached**

BM Stelter commented on his attendance at last week's meeting on waste disposal, however his comments were inaudible.

## **DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT – See Attached**

Before rendering her report, DM Beckmann thanked George DiGrande and the Knights of Columbus for their hospitality in hosting our Board meetings.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT – See Attached**

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

In the absence of Traffic and Transportation Committee Chair Kieran, BM Hudock rendered the Committee Report. See Attached.

Chair Seminara noted that the Committee's recommendation is to approve the proposal for Summer Streets on Third Avenue. Motion second by BM Romero. Discussion followed.

BM Stelter asked about the plans for restroom facilities. BM Hudock responded that the merchants would provide access to their bathrooms.

BM Willis asked if the merchants would be able to have entertainment outside their premises. Chuck Otey responded that this will be an arts event and that there will be no amplification.

**Motion: CB 10 to support the Merchants of Third Avenue Proposal for Summer Streets on Third Avenue between 81<sup>st</sup> and 89<sup>th</sup> Streets on July 20, July 27, August 10, and August 17. 32 in favor; 1 opposed – BM Willis; 1 recusal – BM McCone. Motion carried.**

BM Grimaldi asked for the status of the “No Parking” sign on 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 93<sup>rd</sup> Street. Chair Seminara replied that DM Beckmann would respond to that question after discussion regarding the 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue Task Force.

With regard to the 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue Beautification project, BM Johnson asked how much money is available for our area. BM Hudock replied that that is unknown at this point.

BM Romero asked if it would be possible to take digital photos of the field trip to Queens on Saturday for those members who would be unable to attend. BM Hudock agreed to do this and to make them available.

BM Bortnick asked to what extent would this proposal aim at reducing the number of driving lanes on 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue. BM Hudock replied that everyone involved in this is very concerned not to eliminate any driving lanes.

In response to BM Grimaldi’s question on the status of the sign on 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 93<sup>rd</sup> Street, DM Beckmann stated that she and Councilman Gentile had a meeting last month with Department of Transportation Commissioner Joe Palmieri. Commission Palmieri informed them that the signs on the corner of 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 93<sup>rd</sup> Street would be taken down and moved across the street to the new supermarket. This would affect two parking spaces, would be for a more restricted time period, and only five days a week. This should be completed any day now.

Chair Seminara invited Council Member Gentile to speak. The Councilman announced that the “No Parking” sign at 93<sup>rd</sup> Street and 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue is being moved, and the sign on 81<sup>st</sup> Street between 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Avenues by the Bay Ridge Jewish Center will be removed as a result of his request to the Rabbi.

Councilman Gentile thanked everyone who joined him on Friday for the news conference for the Brooklyn rally against “Brooklyn 11223” on the Oxygen network, which is not an accurate portrayal of our community. He has heard that the producers may reach out to us to show the other side of Bay Ridge at some point during the season.

Councilman Gentile noted that there is a City Council meeting on Wednesday and they will be voting on the street naming for Frank Griffin, the long-time Home Reporter Publisher. Hopefully that will pass and once the Mayor signs it into law there will be a street naming ceremony.

The Councilman noted that the Mayor vetoed the bill he spoke about last month allowing a five minute grace period at muni-meters. However, that bill will go back to Council on Wednesday and they have enough votes to override the veto.

The Councilman stated that people have contacted him who have had one-month spikes in water bills. He asked people who have had this problem to see him because he had a press conference today as this is happening around the city. They are asking for an investigation of these meters. DM Beckmann stated that CB 10 has several of these complaints.

Councilman Gentile stated that the old Knute Rockne football league’s alumni association has asked to name the park house near 95<sup>th</sup> Street and Shore Road in honor of Knute Rockne, and he will be discussing this with Parks.

## POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Police and Public Safety Committee Chair Fontas rendered the Committee Report. See Attached.

With regard to the SLA Application for Gallery Social, Inc., 7915 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Chair Seminara noted that the Committee's recommendation was to deny this application unless the stipulations are agreed to. Motion seconded by BM Vella-Marrone.

**Motion: CB 10 to deny the SLA Application for Gallery Social, Inc., 7915 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, unless the following stipulations are agreed to:**

- **That the hours of operation are from 4:00 PM – 4:00 AM, 7 days per week**
- **They shall close the rear yard at midnight**
- **They shall have subdued lighting in the rear yard**
- **That there will be no music in the rear yard**
- **That smoking will not be permitted in the rear yard**
- **They shall only use non metal furniture in the rear yard**
- **They shall comply with the New York City noise code**
- **They will not utilize the service of outside promoters**
- **That live music is restricted to non amplified background music as associated with a piano or violin type instrument**
- **That the operator will attend any future committee meetings as requested**

**All in favor. Motion carried.**

With regard to the SLA Application for The Corner Kitchen and Bar Corp., 6725 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Chair Seminara noted that the Committee's recommendation is to deny this application unless the stipulations are agreed to. Motion seconded by BM D'Amelio.

**Motion: CB 10 to deny the SLA application for The Corner Kitchen and Bar Corp., 6725 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, unless the following stipulations are agreed to:**

- **That they shall close the rear yard at midnight**
- **That they shall not have music in the yard**
- **That they shall keep all doors closed**
- **That they shall not allow smoking in the rear yard**
- **That they shall attend any future meetings of the committee if requested**

**All in favor. Motion carried.**

With regard to the Cabaret License Application for Amnesia, 10007 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Chair Seminara noted that the Committee's recommendation is to oppose the request for this license. Motion seconded by BM Pulaski. The applicant, Mr. Sophia, was present but did not speak. Discussion followed.

BM McCone asked if this was always a dance club. DM Beckmann responded that there had been a cabaret license many years ago. There are three requirements in order to be a licensed cabaret in New York City: (1) the Certificate of Occupancy must state that it is a cabaret; (2) a license from the NYS Department of Consumer Affairs is needed; and (3) when you have more than 75 people who are dancing, you need a public assembly permit. What was missing here is the NYS Department of Consumer Affairs license.

BM Stelter asked if this is a Consumer Affairs license and was told that it is.

BM Willis asked for clarification on what the proposed method of operation is going forward. Chair Seminara responded that it would be for a license to legalize the venue's use for parties and dancing.

BM Amato asked if the owner acknowledges that problems exist. Committee Chair Fontas said the answer is yes and no. The owners acknowledge that there has been dancing and they have needed a cabaret license for some time, and therefore know they were breaking the rule. They do not agree that their clientele vandalize the neighbors and they feel that once people leave the club they cannot control them. They deny that their valets park and block driveways.

BM Romero noted that if there are instances for real public safety concerns, the building needs to be restructured in order to meet the requirements of the permit, and the application should be denied outright. Chair Seminara responded that the Committee did not make that finding, but that is part of the inspection for the cabaret license. The final decision is with the DCA. They come to the Community Board for our recommendation however our recommendation is not binding.

BM Willis asked DM Beckmann if the District Office has received complaints from the public. DM Beckmann responded that the District Office has received dozens of complaints starting in July. There was a spike in calls in July, probably 20-25 calls, and again in December around their New Year's Eve party. The District Office also has received five email complaints as well as a petition from approximately 100 residents within a three-to-four block area surrounding the establishment.

**Motion: CB 10 to deny the Cabaret License Application for Amnesia, 10007 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue. 33 in favor; 1 opposed – BM McCone. Motion carried.**

### **PARKS COMMITTEE**

Parks Committee Chair Johnson rendered the report. See Attached.

With regard to the request by Xaverian High School for improvements to the baseball field in Shore Road Park at 74<sup>th</sup> Street, Chair Seminara noted that the Committee's recommendation is to vote in favor of these requests. Discussion followed.

BM Vallas wanted to add to the report that at the committee meeting Xaverian mentioned that the ball park is also used by other Catholic schools, so this affects more than one school at that location.

Motion seconded by BM Ahl. BM Rasinya asked if we are addressing just the field and not the fence. Chair Seminara responded that the fence is not allowed under the Department of Parks regulations.

**Motion: CB 10 to vote in favor of the request by Xaverian High School for improvements to the baseball field in Shore Road Park at 74<sup>th</sup> Street. All in favor. Motion carried.**

### **COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE**

Communications and Public Relations Committee Chair Amato rendered the report. See Attached.

### **SENIOR ISSUES, HOUSING, HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE**

Senior Issues, Housing, Health & Welfare Committee Chair El-Yateem rendered the report. See Attached. Discussion followed.

Chair Seminara noted that the recommendation in the report is that we hold a food drive every month and ask Board Members to bring a food item or to make a voluntary donation, and asked if anyone would like to move that recommendation. BM Joudeh seconded the recommendation. Discussion followed.

BM Vallas recommended that instead of bringing food to the board meeting, board members bring it to the District Office instead. Committee Chair El-Yateem responded that he was going to volunteer to pick up the donations and bring it to the charity that we choose, but he can pick it up at the District Office as well. BM Johnson asked if we could have a representative from the charity present at the board meeting to pick up the donations instead of bringing them to the District Office. Committee Chair El-Yateem responded that we can see what the best arrangement will be.

**Motion: CB 10 to support the recommendation to hold a food drive every month by the CB 10 members. All in favor. Motion carried.**

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

None

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

None

BM El-Yateem made a motion to adjourn. With no further business, Chair Seminara adjourned the meeting at 9:05 PM.

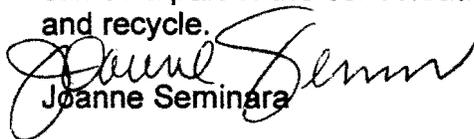
Chair's Report  
Community Board 10, Brooklyn  
January 27, 2012

Good evening.

We are off to a very good start with the new chairs of all our committees and I will pat myself on the back for choosing well among the many talented leaders we have on our Board. This was a month in which several of our committees brainstormed about issues that require our attention as we follow up and issues that remain from last year.

Tonight we voted on our response to the responses of the various agencies to our capital and expenses budget requests and we reaffirmed our priorities for funding. Having done this, I cannot but help remark the extent to which our requests fall on deaf ears. Every year we spend several hours trying to prioritize the many ordinary and ongoing needs for regular maintenance and services only to hear again and again that funding is not available or we should bring our request to the attention of our elected officials. Reiterating the complaint of CB 18, I also note that many of our requests are not designed to enhance but just to maintain and protect our aging infrastructure. It seems to me park maintenance, regular sanitation pick-ups on our commercial strips and sewers that do not overflow our corners in a heavy rain are not too much to ask. As neighborhood enhancing as they have been, we should not have to create more BIDs at the expense to our local businesses to get the services that keep our neighborhood vibrant.

On another note, I want to thank Larry Stelter for attending a meeting on waste disposal at Pratt Manhattan Center last week and sharing with us the discussion that was presented. The issues discussed included how much of the City's waste goes to landfills which is "carbon intensive" due to the transport of wastes. The Solid Waste Management Plan (SWMP) passed by the City Council in 2006 has thus far succeeded in transporting 30% of Staten Island, central Brooklyn and Bronx's trash by rail or barge instead of by truck and the cost to the City to sort and then transport wastes to a landfill in say, South Carolina, is \$98/ton. PlaNYC2030 has a goal of moving 75% of NYC waste away from landfills but NYC had a 20% recycling rate prior to the 2002-2004 suspension; it is now 15%. We have lots of important work to do before recycling becomes more widespread and efficient in this City and I wonder the extent to which our mandated recycling efforts impacts the garbage stream. In fact, I hope we can conduct a refresher course on what gets recycled where. I still confess I am somewhat confused. I hope that our environmental committee can look at some of these issues and we can be a part of the conversation about to enhance recycling and reduce, re-use and recycle.

  
Joanne Seminara

## DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT

February 27, 2012

Good Evening Board Members:

Each year the District Office compiles a list of street repaving priorities for our Community Board. This list submitted by CB10 to the Department of Transportation is comprised of paving requests from local residents as well as a summer survey conducted by myself and our summer interns where we drive and rate each and every street in the district. This year we submitted 30 locations. The Department of Transportation reviews those requests as well other data in determining streets approved for paving. The paving cycle occurs approximately every 18 months. We received notice that beginning sometime in April the following streets will be milled and resurfaced:

96<sup>th</sup> Street from Shore Road to 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
91<sup>st</sup> Street from Shore Road to 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
80<sup>th</sup> Street from 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
66<sup>th</sup> Street from 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Fort Hamilton Parkway  
11<sup>th</sup> Avenue from Bay Ridge Parkway to 86<sup>th</sup> Street

On February 14, 2011 the District Office received a notice from Galasso Rigging and Trucking informing the Community Board of a street closure on February 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> at 80<sup>th</sup> Street between 7<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue for a crane operation at 901 80<sup>th</sup> Street. It is the policy of the District Office to check the Department of Buildings website to make sure the appropriate permits have been filed for the crane operation. We found that there was an active Stop Work Order based on complaints from residents regarding the stability of the roof because of too many cell towers and related equipment on the roof. In addition, a 10 day notice to revoke the permit to add cell towers to the building was sent out to the applicant. I forwarded this information to the Department of Transportation with a formal request on behalf of the Community Board to stop the street closure permits until such time that the DOB investigation is resolved. DOT stopped the permits until such time that the Stop Work Order is lifted.

The Community Board Web Site has been a successful tool in providing information to the Community about its role in our community – local announcements and calendar events. In the last quarter there were 36,047 total hits with 17,144 unique visitors. There were 17,538 hits on our announcements page and 2053 hits on our calendar.

In the next few weeks I am going to be sending out a survey to Board Members asking your opinion on receiving the minutes of the Board Meeting via email.. Please take a moment to fill it out and we will discuss survey results.

### **Announcements**

Doug Anderson from the Transcontinental Gas Pipeline Company called to inform Community Board Ten Members that tomorrow there will be an inspection of the gas pipeline that runs from Linden NJ to Shore Parkway between 89<sup>th</sup> and 91<sup>st</sup> Street. This is a routine inspection and residents may smell gas in the area for a short time period. This is the area along the Belt Parkway. Residents may also hear equipment related noise. A notification has been posted on our website and email notification list.

The Traffic & Transportation Committee of Community Board 10 will host a presentation by NYC Department of Transportation regarding a proposal to reconfigure 86th Street between Shore Road and 4th Avenue in an effort to address a high number of pedestrian accidents at the intersection of 86th Street at 4th Avenue. This meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 14th, 7:00 PM, at Fort Hamilton High School, 8301 Shore Road - Auditorium. The District Office did a significant outreach to local residents living on 86<sup>th</sup> Street and the surrounding blocks. The public is invited to attend this meeting and provide input on the topic.

The Brooklyn Public Library notified us that customers can now apply for a U.S. passport or passport card at Central Library, an officially designated passport application acceptance facility. This service is for new US passport or passport card service only. BPL does not provide passport renewal service. A link and further information is available on line.

Brooklyn Saint Patrick's Parade will be held on Sunday, March 25, 2012. The Parade will form on Marine Avenue at 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue at 12:00 noon and kick off at travel North on 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue from Marine Avenue to 94<sup>th</sup> Street and right onto 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church.

The next General Board Meeting will take place on Monday, March 19, 2012 at Norwegian Christian Home 1250 67<sup>th</sup> Street.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Josephine Beckmann".

Josephine Beckmann  
District Manager

**COMMUNITY BOARD TEN  
TREASURER'S REPORT**

Fiscal Year: July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012

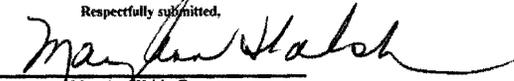
Budget Appropriation for FY 12	\$206,895.00
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DISTRICT MANAGER	\$7,564.74	\$7,564.74	\$7,564.74	\$7,564.74	\$11,347.11	\$7,564.74	\$7,564.74						
COMMUNITY COORDINATOR	\$4,596.66	\$4,596.66	\$4,596.66	\$4,596.66	\$6,894.99	\$4,596.66	\$4,596.66						
COMMUNITY ASSOCIATE	\$1,440.96	\$1,440.96	\$2,161.44	\$1,440.96	\$1,440.96	\$1,440.96	\$1,440.96						
COMMUNITY ASSISTANT													
<b>Total Personal Services</b>	<b>\$13,602.36</b>	<b>\$13,602.36</b>	<b>\$14,322.84</b>	<b>\$13,602.36</b>	<b>\$19,683.06</b>	<b>\$13,602.36</b>	<b>\$13,602.36</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$102,017.70</b>

ExpensesCode	Description	7/31/11	8/31/11	9/30/11	10/31/11	11/30/11	12/31/11	1/31/12	2/29/12	3/31/12	4/30/12	5/31/12	6/30/12	Y - T - D
10B	Telephone	191.70	187.55	188.99	190.06	189.23	186.52	189.72						
10X	Intra-City Supplies													
40B	Intra-City Telephone													
100	Supplies & Materials				135.62		243.85	164.16						
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			135.00							
332	Data Process Equipment													
337	Books													
402	Tel./Communications													
412	Rental/Misc/Equip	44.41	44.41	44.41	804.41	234.41	234.41	234.41						
417	Advertising													
431	Leasing Misc. Equip.													
451	Local travel expenditures				394.00		400.00	240.00						
602	Telecomm. Maintenance	21.70	21.70	21.70	21.70	21.70	21.70	21.70						
612	Office Equip. Maint.													
613	Data Process Equipment													
615	Printing Supplies													
622	Temporary Services-contractual		2,005.00			620.00		800.00						
624	Cleaning Services	160.00	160.00	160.00	160.00	160.00	160.00	160.00						
608	Iron Security Gate Maintenance													
676	Awning													
414	Water, Sewer, Utility													
<b>Total Other than Personal Services</b>		<b>\$552.81</b>	<b>\$2,418.46</b>	<b>\$550.10</b>	<b>\$1,705.79</b>	<b>\$1,225.34</b>	<b>\$1,381.48</b>	<b>\$1,809.99</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$9,643.97</b>

<b>TOTAL PS AND OIPTS EXPENSES</b>	<b>14,155.17</b>	<b>16,020.82</b>	<b>14,872.94</b>	<b>15,308.15</b>	<b>20,908.40</b>	<b>14,983.84</b>	<b>15,412.35</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>111,861.67</b>
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Respectfully submitted,  
  
 Mary Ann Walsh, Treasurer

### Traffic and Transportation Committee

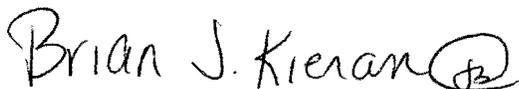
A public hearing was held in the Community Room at Shore Hill on Tuesday, February 7th. Council Member Gentile attended along with representatives from the offices of local elected officials and the Commanding Officer of the 68<sup>th</sup> Precinct. The Merchants of Third Avenue submitted an application to the NYC DOT for permission to have a "Summer Stroll" along Third Avenue spanning four nights: July 20, July 27, August 10 and August 17.

Eight blocks between 81<sup>st</sup> street and 89<sup>th</sup> street would be closed to vehicular traffic from 4:00pm to 11:00pm. However, even though the avenue blocks would be closed the cross streets would not be closed so that traffic disruption would be minimized. The businesses along this area would set up outdoor seating where food and beverages, including alcoholic beverages, would be sold. There would be acoustic and unamplified music as well as singers and arts and crafts. This would not be a festival nor would outside vendors be permitted to participate in the event. The application assures access for emergency vehicles, insurance for the event and a prohibition of electrical generators.

Local merchants attended as well as local residents. Residents expressed concern that any summer street program would increase the occurrence of intoxicated persons and disorderly behavior. The merchants expressed a real need for economic stimulation during this traditionally slow summer period. The proprietor of LongBow Pub which is outside of the area expressed a concern that this activity would hurt the other merchants along Third Avenue. C.O. DiBlasio expressed confidence that the precinct would be able to handle any increased foot traffic during the proposed Summer Stoll evenings. Chuck Otey, speaking on behalf of the Third Avenue Merchants, expressed his belief that the program would bring culture and positive attention to the community. Council Member Gentile praised the Merchants for the amount of thought and planning put into the application and expressed a belief that the program would be a benefit for the entire community.

The committee discussed the pros and cons of the proposal and although all members recognized that there could be some inconvenience to the community, the potential benefits of the proposed event outweighed them. The committee unanimously voted to recommend approval of the application for the "Summer Strolls" program, this summer, along Third Avenue.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brian J. Kieran" followed by a circled number "13".

Brian J. Kieran  
Chair, Traffic and Transportation Committee

Report on Fourth Ave Redevelopment Task Force

Task force started by Boro Prez Marty Markowitz

Envisions a plan to transform Fourth Av into a more vibrant, livable street.

Improve pedestrian safety

Increase ground floor retail to enhance the liveliness and vibrancy of the corridor

Give the Avenue a recognizable identity through streetscaping, signage

Meetings have been held in Park Slope, Sunset Park, Now moving on to Bay Ridge

Need input from CB10 on appropriate safety and aesthetic enhancement

Request CB10 to point out safety problem areas

**NEED COMMUNITY INPUT !!**

Another meeting planned for Bay Ridge in March – TBD – all should attend

Field trip to Jackson Ave Queens this Saturday to view median strategies – few places left – see me

Bus tour of Fourth Av (a la UPROSE) – please participate

Bottom line: We need your participation

The Police and Public Safety Committee meet on February 15<sup>th</sup> to hear three applications:

The first: Applicant Gallery Social, Inc, located at 7915 3<sup>rd</sup> avenue and Doing Business As Gallery Social, appeared at the committee to request three items:

1. a corporate change,
2. a change of hours from the current:
  - a. 11:00 am – Midnight; Sunday – Wednesday and
  - b. 11:00 am – 2:00 am Thursday – Saturday ; and finally
3. a change stipulations to allow live music inside and music outside in the rear yard

As background, at the time of the original application for this venue in October 2010, the committee and full board approved their request for a liquor license with a number of stipulations and reduced hours of operation. These reduced hours were placed on the venue because of complaints and concerns that were attributed to the establishment which operated in this location prior to Gallery Social opening. In October 2010, the committee indicated that if this new establishment, to be known as Gallery Social acted in a responsible manner we would consider extending the hours of operation. The applicant has now come back to the committee and requested expanded hours of operation in line with his surrounding establishments from 4:00 PM – 4:00 AM, 7 days per week.

Finally, The applicant requested that they be allowed to have live music indoors and music from a speaker system outdoors. The description the applicant indicated is live background music as appropriate in a lounge, perhaps using piano or violin type instrument. The indoor music would not be amplified.

There were no individuals there to speak in opposition to the application. The committee did not support the request for music in the rear yard given its proximity to adjacent residences but otherwise voted unanimously to disapprove the corporate change, the change of hours to 4:00 PM – 4:00 AM, and allow non- amplified live music as described unless the following stipulations were agreed to:

1. That the hours of operation are from 4:00 PM – 4:00 AM, 7 days per week.
2. They shall close the rear yard at midnight
3. They shall have subdued lighting in the rear yard
4. That there will be no music in the rear yard
5. That smoking will not be permitted in the rear yard
6. They shall only use non metal furniture in the rear yard
7. They shall comply with the New York City noise code
8. They will not utilize the service of outside promoters
9. That live music is restricted to non amplified background music as associated with a piano or violin type instrument.
10. That they operator will attend any future committee meetings as requested

The applicant has agreed to these stipulations and the recommendation of the committee is now before the full board to consider.

The second item of the night was a liquor license request to open an eating establishment with 17 tables of 2-4 people at each, called "The Corner Kitchen" at the former Lief Erickson bar at 6725 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The venue would operate 11:00 AM – 1:00 AM Sunday – Thursday, and 11:00 AM – 2:00 AM, Friday and Saturday. The owners do not plan to have live music. But they do intend to use their rear yard for food service.

The landlord of the building and former owner of Leif Erickson pub were in attendance and spoke in favor of the application. There were no individuals there in opposition. The committee voted unanimously to disapprove unless the following stipulations are agreed to:

- That they shall close the rear yard at midnight
- That they shall not have music in the yard,
- That they shall keep all doors closed
- That they shall not allow smoking in the rear yard
- That they shall attend any future meetings of the committee if requested

The owner has agreed to all the stipulations and recommendation of the committee is before the full board now for consideration.

The final agenda item was an application for a cabaret license at Amnesia located 100-07 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Amnesia originally opened as a Brazilian steakhouse venue but the committee has learned the establishment no longer operates as a regular restaurant and now operates as a venue for rental by any individual who needs a large space to have any type of gathering. We've heard that the location operates 1 day a week and is sometimes booked for large parties such as a communions or dinners but much more regularly it is rented by promoters to operate as a dance club.

The committee meeting was attended by nearly 2 dozen neighbors including Board Member Doris Cruz, most of who spoke in opposition to the application for a cabaret license. The board also received a number of emails from other concerned neighbors, who could not make the meeting, in opposition to the application. Other than the operators no one spoke in favor of the application.

Residents complained about all of the quality of life issues associated with a nightclub venue, the list included:

- rowdy patrons leaving the venue
- various acts of vandalism associated with patrons leaving the venue
- litter and trash emanating from the location
- vomiting on people's stoops and gardens
- valet parked cars blocking resident's driveways,
- double parked cars along 4<sup>th</sup> avenue making traveling difficult

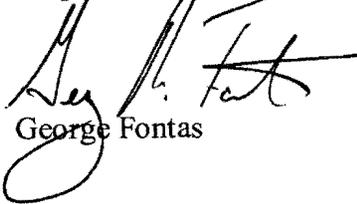
The owners admitted that dance parties have been happening regularly at the venue and that they they've known for some time that a cabaret license was required. The location has received at least 2 summonses for no cabaret license and the police department has been called to the venue a number of times and made arrests at the scene. I personally have seen video clips readily available on the internet of dance parties that would be associated with a nightclub operation.

The applicant denied that they block driveways as they valet park in St. Patrick's parking lot. We didn't see any evidence that this is actually takes place.

The committee listened to both the residents and the ownership and clearly determined that the venue has been operating as a nightclub with the knowledge that they were doing so without the appropriate cabaret license. In light of this information and the numerous community complaints the committee voted unanimously to oppose the request for a cabaret license.

The recommendation to disapprove the application is before the full board now for its consideration.

Respectfully submitted,



George Fontas

PARKS COMMITTEE MEETING – THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2012 – 7PM – DISTRICT OFFICE

JUNE JOHNSON, COMMITTEE CHAIR

(Members Present: June Johnson, Greg Ahl, Laura Caruso, Shirley Chin, Doris Cruz, Michael Festa, Rhea McCone, Rita Meade, Eleanor Petty, and Sandy Vallas. DM Beckmann also attended.

Members Excused: Scott Klein, Jean Ryan

Members Absent: Luigi Lobuglio

Guests: Nick DeFendis and Jeff O'Brien, Xaverian High School)

-- Xaverian High School – Mr. Jeff O'Brien, Athletic Director and Mr. Nick DeFendis introduced themselves and in a warm and friendly manner and explained the problems they face at the baseball field at 74<sup>th</sup> Street and Shore Road. Their first request was that the fence around the field should be higher. Their main reason for a higher fence is to secure the field. Their big complaint is that the field is used as a dog run, and, therefore, making the field a mess when the students play ball on it. Also, unauthorized groups play soccer on the field. DM Beckmann immediately explained the reasons why a higher fence is not permitted by the Parks Department.

Mr. O'Brien discussed the state the dugouts are in. He related that they are often filled with beer cans, broken beer bottles, garbage and urine. I made two trips down to the field to check out the field and dugouts, and they really were cluttered with debris. We suggested that we could ask the Parks Dept. to secure the dugouts by closing off the openings and putting up doors so they could be locked.

The field has flooding issues and needs to be pitched. DM Beckmann said the Parks Dept. presently doesn't have the money to renovate the ball field but she would consider placing the request in next year's capital budget. DM Beckmann did say that the Parks Dept. might be able to repair the water fountains and clean out the sewers in the dugouts.

Xaverian has a maintenance agreement for the field and is in need of a small storage container to be located behind the third base dugout. The shed would not be visible from Shore Road and would allow storage for all the necessary tools to properly maintain the field. DM Beckmann said she thought the Parks Dept. could provide such a shed. The committee motioned to support a 2 prong approach – with short term and long term goals. Short term – to submit regular maintenance issues to NYC Parks Dept. for immediate attention. Long term – to place on a list for discussion in October as part of our Capital Improvement Recommendations.

Our committee recommends the Board vote in favor of the above-mentioned requests.

-- "Students Care for Parks" initiative – We had a lengthy discussion on the students participation in caring for the parks. This project was initially developed under former Parks Chair BM Michael Festa and our committee is now in the process of developing a full plan that will target park areas in desperate need of care, while also attracting the students from our local schools that have the time to fit this into their schedules.

The organization working with us on this initiative is the Shore Road Parks Conservancy, which includes the parkland and waterfront area of Bay Ridge from the Verrazano Bridge to and including Owl's Head Park including American Veterans Memorial Pier (69<sup>th</sup> Street Pier). There were no representatives from the Conservancy at our meeting.

The target schools are H.S. of Telecommunication Arts & Technology, Xaverian High School, Fort Hamilton High School and Fontbonne Hall Academy. The following Board Members volunteered to act as contacts with the following schools – BM Rhea McCone, Fontbonne, BM Sandy Vallas, Fort Hamilton, and former BM Jim O'Dea, H.S. of Telecommunications.

-- The committee touched upon the SIPHON PROJECT ON SHORE ROAD PARK, NEAR 83<sup>RD</sup> STREET – This topic will be taken up at our next Committee Meeting on March 13<sup>th</sup>.

-- JJ Carty Park will also be discussed next month.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

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Respectfully Submitted:  
June Johnson, Committee Chair  
Parks Committee

## Communications and Public Relations

**Date of Meeting:** February 6, 2012

**Time:** 7pm

**Location:** Community Board 10 Office

**Members Present:**

Lizabeth Amato

Kevin Peter Carroll

Judith Collins

Steve Harrison

**Members Excused:** Fran Vella-Marrone

### ***Informational Report to the Board for February 27, 2012.***

The Communications and Public Relations Committee met in quorum on February 6, 2012.

There were two items on the agenda:

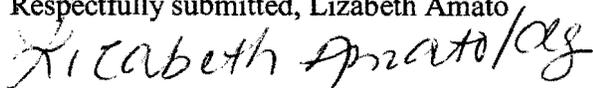
The **first** item discussed was the Tour of the Fort Hamilton Army Base. This tour would be an educational experience to reinforce the importance of the relationship between Fort Hamilton and our board members. We here at Community Board 10 find ourselves in a unique relationship with Fort Hamilton, as no other Community Board in the city shares this status.

The committee agreed that the date offered by Fort Hamilton, Saturday, March 24, 2012 would be acceptable. The tour would commence at 10:30 which would include a tour of various buildings on the base as well as the Harbor Defense Museum followed by a luncheon buffet at noon. There will be a charge for the luncheon estimated at \$20.00 per person which includes tax and gratuity. This special event is open to all Board members and their guests. Official Information will be sent out before next months board meeting and reservations as well as funds will be collected at the March meeting.

The **second** item on our agenda was the *Direction* of this committee. Many ideas and suggestions were discussed and this will definitely be an on going process. One idea shared was that we should reintroduce the community to the community board. CB 10 members are also involved with other organizations and we see that as an opportunity to reach out to many people.

**Lastly**, Suggestions for additional tours included, 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Cannonball Park area, Shore Road and 95<sup>th</sup> area and Brooklyn houses of worship, just to name a few.

Respectfully submitted, Lizabeth Amato



**Community Board Ten  
Senior Issues, Housing, Health and Welfare Committee**

**Meeting Held on  
2/8/2012**

Members Present: Khader El-Yateem (Chair), Ida D'Amelio, Anna DeMetz, Judith Grimaldi, Katherine Khatari, Stella Kokolis, Eleanor Petty, Mary Quinones, Susan Romero, Joseph Sokoloski. Excused: Habib Joudeh. Absent: Michael Casale, Jeannie May.

Guests:

Jean Ryan

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 PM.

The meeting agenda:

- 1- Presentation by the Healing Center located at Bethlehem Lutheran Church on Ovington Ave., Bay Ridge.
- 2- Brainstorming about the future direction of the committee.

The presentation by the Healing Center was very informative and a great asset to have in our community. They are willing to do workshops and offer educational programs to combat domestic violence. One of the highlights of the presentation was about their 1<sup>st</sup>. annual walk-a-thon against Teen Dating Violence to be held on 2/18/2012 at 9:30 AM. This activity was to raise awareness about the issue of violence among our young people.

The committee spent time in setting the direction of the committee for the future and prioritize issues we would like us to focus on.

- 1- To find ways and partners in the community to deal with teen agers using drugs such as K2 drug and other substance that is poisoning our young people.
- 2- Plan and hold a senior fair.
- 3- To continue to support the food pantries in the community through food drives.

The committee recommends for immediate action to hold a food drive every month by the CB10 members. The idea is that we invite every member to bring a food donation to the board meeting that will be given to a local charity. The committee will have a list of food items that we recommend for the members to focus on upon the request of the charity that we will be supporting that month. Members who can't bring food items will be giving the opportunity to make a cash donation that will go to that charity of the month.

The meeting was ended at 8:15 PM

Respectfully Submitted,



Rev. Khader N. El-Yateem, Chair

**STATE LIQUOR AUTHORITY – NEW APPLICATIONS & RENEWALS**

<b><u>Name/Address</u></b>	<b><u>Received at CB 10</u></b>	<b><u>Status</u></b>
Uncle Jimmy's Backyard BBQ, 8727 4 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	2/14/12	Renewal
Ciamaltha Inc., d/b/a Kelly's Tavern, 9259 4 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	2/21/12	Renewal
Crown KTV Inc., 848 64 <sup>th</sup> Street	2/22/12	*Renewal
Bangkok Thai House Restaurant, 6735 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue	2/29/12	Renewal
Three Jolly Pigeons, 6802 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue	2/29/12	Corporate Change
Amnesia, 10005 10009 4 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	3/2/12	*Renewal
Uno Chicago Grill, 9201 4 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	3/5/12	Renewal
C&W Grocery Inc., 6603 11 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	3/8/12	Alteration Application
La Bella Panini, 7001 13 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	3/8/12	Renewal
"Name to be Assigned", 848 64 <sup>th</sup> Street	3/8/12	*New Application (Liquor, Wine and Beer)

\*Has been invited to present application at Police & Public Safety Committee Meeting in March 2012.