

**Community Board Ten Board Meeting Attendance
Norwegian Christian Home
Monday, March 19, 2012 – 7:15 pm**

Board Members Present: 35

Greg Ahl
Liz Amato
Allen Bortnick
Shirley Chin
Judith Collins
Ida D'Amelio
Anna DeMetz
Ann Falutico
Michael Festa
George Fontas
Andrew Gounardes
Stephen Harrison
Robert Hudock
June Johnson
Katherine Khatari
Brian Kieran
Scott Klein
Dino Lamia
Nikolaos Leonardos
Luigi Lobuglio
Jeannie May
Rhea McCone
Mary Nolan
Eleanor Petty
Susan Pulaski
Mary Quinones
Dean Rasinya
Susan Romero
Jean Ryan
Eleanor Schiano
Joanne Seminara
Joseph Sokoloski
Lawrence Stelter
Sandy Vallas
Mary Ann Walsh

Board Members Excused: 13

Kevin Peter Carroll
Doris Cruz
Khader El-Yateem
Barbara Germack
Judith Grimaldi
Ronald Gross
Habib Joudeh
Stella Kokolis
Rita Meade
Husam Rimawi
Dilia Schack
Fran Vella-Marrone
Lori Willis

Board Members Absent: 1

Michael Casale

Ex-Officio:

Councilman Vincent Gentile

COMMUNITY BOARD TEN GUESTS

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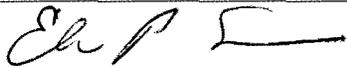
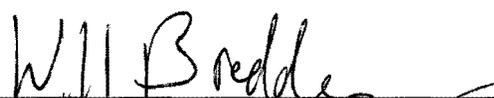
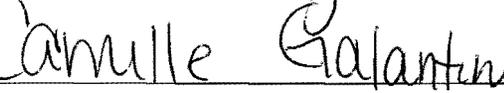
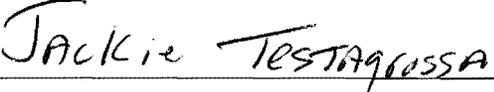
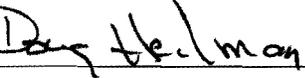
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Harold Kirschner	68TH PCT			

COMMUNITY BOARD TEN BOARD MEETING
March 19, 2012 – Norwegian Christian Home
MINUTES

Chair Seminara called the meeting to order at 7:20 PM and introduced Kirk Tzanides, President and Ellen Triscuizzi, Vice President, 68th Precinct Youth Council, Inc. to lead the Honor of the Pledge.

Chair Seminara presented outgoing Board Member Lamia a Certificate of Appreciation for his many years of service, hard work and dedication to the residents of Bay Ridge, Dyker Heights and Fort Hamilton. BM Lamia thanked Chair Seminara, DM Beckmann, the Community Board Ten staff and officers, saying it was a privilege and pleasure to have served the Community Board and our community for 27 years.

Chair Seminara asked for a motion from the floor to adopt the Amended Agenda with an amendment to remove the vote on the condition of the path within Shore Road Park from 4th Avenue to the ballfields. Motion by BM Ahl; second by BM D'Amelio. Agenda adopted as amended.

Chair Seminara asked for a motion from the floor to adopt the Minutes from the February 27, 2012 Board Meeting. Motion by BM Gounardes; second by BM Klein. Minutes adopted as written.

PUBLIC SESSION

Residents Stefania Vasquenz, John Murphy, Gene Aronowitz and Ian Richards spoke in favor of the Department of Transportation's 86th Street traffic calming proposal.

Mary Beth LeMond of the St. Vincent DePaul Society food pantry at St. Patrick's thanked Community Board Ten for continued support of their food pantry. She noted that they currently serve 57 families a week, which is an increase from the 27 families per week served last year.

Camille Galantini, a resident of 68th Street, spoke about the ongoing problem of people barbecuing in Owl's Head Park. She noted that people barbecue all day until 10:00 PM, are very loud and leave garbage and charcoal when they leave. She has contacted the 68th Precinct on numerous occasions however the problem continues. She stated that there is now an additional problem of people collecting scrap metal in the park who are drunk. They are a constant presence in the park and residents are fearful. Residents are asking for Community Board Ten's help in reaching out to the 68th Precinct for enforcement.

Nadia Ghattas, representing Shen Yun, stated its mission is to revive Chinese art and culture. She announced that this New York based company will be performing at the David H. Koch Theater in Lincoln Center April 18-22.

Eileen Kassab representing the Brooklyn Public Library encouraged people to support the libraries, as they are expecting a \$27 million budget cut. She thanked the City Council for their support, especially Councilman Gentile. She announced that the NYPD will be providing a program for teens at the Dyker Library on March 29th at 3:30 PM on how to stay safe. The Dyker Library received a grant for programs for seniors 55+, and she invited them to join their choral group.

Council Member Vincent Gentile announced that the Bay Ridge St. Patrick's Parade will take place on Sunday, March 25th, and congratulated the Deputy Marshalls Mary Ann Walsh and Kevin Peter Carroll.

The Councilman stated that some companies publish help wanted ads that indicate that the “unemployed need not apply.” He feels this is another form of discrimination and is introducing a bill to the City Council which will make it illegal for businesses to prevent otherwise qualified applicants from applying for jobs simply because they are currently unemployed.

Councilman Gentile noted that there is construction of a new sidewalk on the park side of Shore Road between 85th to 88th Streets. This construction is taking away approximately three blocks of residential parking, which is causing consternation for residents who have to park overnight. Tomorrow he will be going to the site with both the Parks Department and Department of Transportation to hopefully come up with a solution to restore parking there at least overnight. The sidewalk construction will then move to Oliver and 94th Streets.

Councilman Gentile announced that paving on 11th Avenue from 86th to 75th Streets has been scheduled and should be done by the end of April.

Regarding the 86th Street corridor, the Councilman stated that he is continuing his discussions with DOT. He is confident that there is a way to make the entire corridor safer without creating other safety problems on other streets around 86th Street. They are going to create a better plan that is safer for everyone, and will work with Community Board Ten on this.

The Councilman noted that Sunday, April 22nd is Earth Day and he is teaming up with Community Board Ten, the 3rd Avenue Merchants and 5th Avenue BID for an Earth Day Cleanup. They will be cleaning up 3rd and 5th Avenues, from 65th to 101st Streets. He invited all who are interested to call his office to sign up to volunteer.

With regard to the budget, Councilman Gentile noted there will be a \$100 million cut to the New York City Libraries; with a \$27 million cut to the Brooklyn Public Library. He invited everyone to attend Library Appreciation Day on Wednesday, April 18th in City Hall Park to show support for the Libraries.

Councilman Gentile congratulated BM Lamia on his many years of service to the community. Finally, the Councilman noted new Board Member appointments would be made soon.

Nicholas Chamberas representing Assembly Member Nicole Malliotakis stated that there is a current budget proposal to eliminate the allowance of “Spousal Refusal,” which Assembly Member Malliotakis actively opposes. “Spousal Refusal” permits seniors to separate their income and assets from a spouse who has been stricken with a catastrophic illness and is seeking assistance from Medicaid. If this is implemented it would save the state \$34 million annually. Assembly Member Malliotakis feels that a far better approach would be to take a more aggressive stance in combating the \$5 billion of annual fraud in the NYS Medicaid system. They hope the community will join Assembly Member Malliotakis in opposing withdrawing “Spousal Refusal.”

CHAIR’S REPORT – See Attached

DISTRICT MANAGER’S REPORT – See Attached

TREASURER’S REPORT – See Attached

COMMITTEE REPORTS

TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Traffic and Transportation Committee Chair Kieran rendered the Committee report.

Committee Chair Kieran reiterated that the three recommendations made by the Committee were (1) that the Board accepts the portion of the plan for turning lanes and turning prohibitions at the intersections of 3rd and 4th

Avenues; (2) that the Board vote to request from our representatives and the NYC DOT that those improvements to the two intersections as well as the assignment of a Traffic Safety Agent during peak hours 3PM to 6PM and the installation of a stop sign on Ridge Boulevard be put in place instead; (3) that the Board request a traffic study be done on the corridor for the purpose of changing the traffic light timing sequence to prevent speeding traffic.

Chair Seminara stated that they will recommit this issue to the T&T Committee because they believe this should be a more comprehensive plan that deals with some of the issues that may not have been considered, for instance, the concentration of buses and the greater number of pedestrians who are rushing for those buses.

BM Stelter stated they had spoken about more adequate signage at the intersections.

Chair Seminara asked for a second to the Committee's recommendation. Second by BM D'Amelio. Discussion followed.

BM Bortnick stated that this is a 60' wide main thoroughfare and a lot of people use it to get to the entrance of the highway. Banning left turns will force these people into the residential streets which have enough problems. Committee Chair Kieran responded that this would only be on 3rd and 4th Avenues onto 86th Street for pedestrian safety, which is a crucial issue for these two dangerous intersections. BM Bortnick said that he had recommended a traffic officer at the intersection. He feels it is just too wide a street to prohibit left turns.

BM Harrison asked why it is unreasonable to have it painted as a test run to see how it works, since DOT is willing to come back. He feels this would be less costly than installing medians and grass. Committee Chair Kieran responded that the painting would be more than one lane wide, whereas we would have more flexibility when asking for a greenway or median on what they will put in. We may be able to preserve the two lanes at the intersections where we do not have the same severity of accidents.

BM Ahl asked about having a single lane on 86th Street at 4th Avenue. Committee Chair Kieran stated that under this proposal there would be three lanes; one lane for parking, one dedicated bay to make a left turn from 86th Street onto 3rd or 4th Avenues, and one to go straight or make a right turn. BM Ahl stated that he feels having one lane to go straight or make a right turn will be a nightmare with traffic backing up. Committee Chair Kieran said that hopefully having the extra lane should improve this.

BM May stated that she is mystified on how this proposal will impact speeding and feels this is two different issues and it needs to be addressed. Committee Chair Kieran replied that he agrees that speeding is probably a bigger problem than other issues that were raised. DOT is sure that these changes will stop speeding; however, it might turn out to be more dangerous. We will have to deal with the speeding separately because he does not think DOT's proposal takes care of that.

BM Sokoloski asked whether the Board can request a traffic agent at 86th Street and 4th Avenue before we make a decision on this. Committee Chair Kieran noted that we do not want to reject what DOT is offering. We will take the best part of what they are offering and add different suggestions. However, this was not in their proposal.

BM Hudock agrees with BM Harrison to try out the painting to see if it works, which is much easier than a capital project. He also thinks the Committee's response to have DOT look at the bus terminal on 86th Street and 4th Avenue is a good point. With regard to the light timing, he noted that Annemarie Doherty from DOT made it very clear at the meeting that that is not in their tool kit, but she did not have a good explanation why it could not be done. Committee Chair Kieran replied that he thinks they cannot change the timing without a traffic study, which they do not have. If we ask them to do a study, he thinks they can come up with a plan for

sequence changes. BM Hudock said that his impression was that they had conducted a traffic study and the concept of changing the timing was not part of their plan. Committee Chair Kieran said that was not his understanding, but changing the light sequences is definitely not part of their proposal. BM Hudock stressed that the motion overlooks the entire reason for this plan which is pedestrian safety. He feels the plan disregards pedestrian safety and deals with traffic flow. Committee Chair Kieran replied that he thinks the bulk of the report deals with safety and statistics. To ignore the statistics and say we want the same traffic safety measures on each intersection in the corridor is missing the point.

BM Fontas said that he disagreed with BM Hudock. He feels 86th Street and 4th Avenue is one of the busiest intersections, as is 86th Street and 3rd Avenue. He is dubious about having them come back to look at the other streets, and he noted that a capital project would cost millions of dollars. He does not think our resolution goes far enough and feels we should add a friendly amendment about speeding enforcement at the lower streets. Chair Seminara noted that this would be a second resolution that we need increased enforcement to reduce speeding. Second by BM Klein.

BM Amato feels that the double parking by parents at PS 185 should be added for enforcement.

BM Ryan feels that cameras would be helpful and also cheaper. Committee Chair Kieran said he is not sure if they have speeding cameras in place in Brooklyn.

BM Harrison spoke in support of the amendment, but at the same time voiced his concern that we have a transitory solution by saying please enforce it. However, he feels we have to look for more solid solutions. Committee Chair Kieran responded that there are a lot of possible remedies we can look at and investigate.

BM Rasinya noted that previously we had a big problem at 6th Avenue and 65th Street. They now have two traffic agents there every day at rush hour, and we have not heard anything about that intersection for several years. He thinks the most important thing for 86th Street and 4th Avenue and 3rd Avenue is to have traffic enforcement there. They have traffic agents on every corner in Manhattan because of the volume of traffic, and he feels the volume of traffic on 86th Street is equivalent.

BM Romero thinks that one of the problems is that we are relying on these statistics as to what the conditions were at the time accidents occurred. However, she does not think this indicates what is actually happening. She feels that a lot of the problem comes from a level of distraction that has reached epic proportions with cell phones and texting, which is not reflected in DOT's statistics. She does not think DOT's solutions will solve the problems but instead will exacerbate them by causing further backup and impatience. She agrees 100% with BM Rasinya.

BM Pulaski noted that DOT is conducting another study on the 4th Avenue corridor in three weeks as part of the 4th Avenue Beautification Project. She is unsure if this is being coordinated.

BM Sokoloski made a motion to table the issue and send it back to the Committee. Second by BM Amato. Chair Seminara noted that the motion to postpone trumps the motion for this amendment.

BM Lamia stated that if the intent is to eliminate or minimize left turns he suggests this is the way we go. He will respect tabling the motion but he suggests we add to the motion anything that will eliminate or minimize left turns. Committee Chair Kieran responded that the motion as it stands is to prohibit left turns onto 86th Street and have a specific bay to direct left turns from 86th Street onto the avenues.

Chair Seminara asked to call the motion for a definite time for when we will discuss this again, not to exceed two months. Committee Chair Kieran stated that he would like to see the most dangerous intersections get some treatment and if it turns out it does not work that can be easier to undo.

Chair Seminara noted that today we are voting on a motion to postpone the vote not to exceed two monthly meetings. BM Johnson feels that nothing is going to happen over the summer. She feels the Committee put a lot of time and effort into this and we should proceed.

Motion: CB 10 to postpone the vote on the 86th Street Traffic Reconfiguration, Shore Road to 4th Avenue, not to exceed two monthly meetings. Roll Call Vote – 22 in favor; 13 opposed. Motion carried. See Attached Record of Roll Call.

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 10007 4th Avenue, LLC, d/b/a Amnesia, Chair Seminara asked the applicant, who was present, if he would like to speak. The applicant stated that the venue will not be used as a nightclub, and that he has agreed to all the stipulations set forth in the Committee report. Motion second by BM Collins.

BM Bortnick congratulated the Committee on its action but said it might not carry sufficient weight to stop what may happen. He stated that he heard a negative report on 1010 WINS regarding Amnesia. Committee Chair Fontas noted that the SLA agency law states that renewal applications shall be granted unless serious circumstances exist.

Motion: CB 10 to disapprove the renewal application for 10007 4th Avenue LLC, d/b/a Amnesia unless the following stipulations are agreed to:

- **That the venue not operate as a nightclub as defined by the New York State Liquor Authority.**
- **That the outside French doors close by 10:00 PM.**
- **That a licensed Valet be used.**
- **That a sufficient number of valet staff be available on evenings when warranted.**
- **That there will be no speakers placed by the front of the building.**
- **That the owner agrees to return to the Community Board if requested.**
- **That the manager on duty will carry a cell phone, whose number is available to the neighbors and public.**
- **That ownership controls all events and does not turn the venue over to outside third party promoters.**
- **That music stays within the New York City's Department of Environmental Protection Noise Code.**
- **That the owner agrees to notify Community Board Ten of any change in their Method of Operation before implementing any such change.**

All in favor. Motion carried.

With regard to the SLA renewal application for Crown KTV, Inc., 848 64th Street, Chair Seminara asked for a second to the Committee's recommendation. Motion second by BM Falutico. Discussion followed.

BM Ryan asked if we can just say no stipulations. DM Beckman responded that we already have 14 stipulations on file with the SLA that Crown KTV has not been abiding to. They are in the process of revocation now. She said it would be up to Committee Chair Fontas to include in the motion to ask for revocation. Chair Seminara recommended that we reference our past stipulations and say that they have violated a number of points.

**Motion: CB 10 to oppose the renewal application for Crown KTV, Inc., 848 64th Street. All in favor.
Motion carried.**

With regard to the SLA application for Saint Germain French Bistro, LLC, 8303 3rd Avenue, Chair Seminara asked for a second to the Committee's recommendation. Motion second by BM Quinones.

Motion: CB 10 to disapprove the SLA corporate change application for Saint Germain French Bistro LLC, 8303 3rd 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.

PARKS COMMITTEE

Park Committee Chair Johnson rendered the Committee report. See Attached. Discussion followed.

BM May noted the New York City Police do not have jurisdiction in the parks. BM Stelter suggested enlisting the FDNY. BM Falutico asked if parks close at night and was told that they close at dusk.

SENIOR ISSUES, HOUSING, HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

In the absence of Senior Issues, Housing, Health and Welfare Committee Chair El-Yateem, BM May rendered the Committee report. See Attached.

AD HOC STREET NAMING COMMITTEE

Ad Hock Street Naming Committee Chair Romero rendered the Committee report. See Attached.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

A motion was made from the floor to adjourn. With no further business, Chair Seminara adjourned the meeting at 9:15 PM.

Community Board 10
Chair's Report - March 19, 2012

Dear Board Members and guests:

This month we were involved in two (2) important conversations vital to the quality of life in Bay Ridge, Dyker Heights and our surrounding communities.

The first was a discussion about the extent and quality of emergency health and hospital services available to residents of southwest Brooklyn. We were happy to co-host this discussion with Community Board No. 11 and its Chair Bill Guarinello, our elected officials and representatives of all the hospitals that serve us: Lutheran Medical Center, Maimonides Medical Center and Downstate Medical Center, which has developed an emergency care facility at the former Victory Memorial Hospital site.

The discussion prompted questions about how we can continue to expand emergency services and/or even develop a new medical center without compromising the efficient use and further development, in terms of health and sophistication of service, at two of our premiere local developed hospitals, Lutheran Medical Center and Maimonides – both of which are fighting to hang onto ever more scarce dollars to expand what are known as “telemetry beds”, or beds that accommodate placement in highly sophisticated, high risk units.

We must look at our needs in light of the changes experienced by the Medicaid re-design formulas and the Federal Affordable Care Act, with its focus on prevention, community based comprehensive service that can hopefully reduce emergency room visits. One question is: what should we, as a community, advocate for at the Victory Memorial Hospital site to complement and not reduce funding to Lutheran Medical Center and Long Island College Hospital? One other question is: how do we prepare for a crisis i.e., a flu, epidemic, or community or city-wide emergency? And yet another: how can we accommodate the clear need for hospice services, which are effectively and compassionately provided at Calvary Hospital, now sited at Lutheran Medical Center. The questions abound and we hope to meet again, with our Health and Welfare Committee. I thank Pastor El-Yateem and Board Member Mary Quinones for being part of this conversation in the future. We clearly need a strategic multi-faceted plan for discerning community needs so we can advocate and build support for concrete goals.

We were very fortunate to be able to foster New York City-wide dialogue on behalf of the local business community concerning the issue of food “carts”, which are even more present and active on our commercial strips. Josephine was interviewed by Channel 12 and I was invited to Good Day New York discussion with local bagel shop owner Mike Boutross. I thank Josephine for the quick refresher she provided on the issue. Consider that we have two BIDS: on 86th Street and on 5th Avenue, in a concentrated area, which charge lot owners an “extra” real estate tax so that certain amenities, i.e. street cleaning, security and other services can be provided. One of the “perks” of our BIDS is that they are “street-vendor free” zones. The issue is the “loophole” available to “mobile” food carts, which unlike the hot dog vendor of yesteryear, are really stationary sidewalk restaurants, with no liability or responsibility for garbage removal, street cleaning and the like. The issue is the lack of regulation due to multiple conflicting regulations. We need a citywide task force to reconvene to discuss and develop regulations of this topic; our brick and mortar businesses deserve a more measured level of fairness.

And this is just two of the “extra” non-committee discussions we participated in this month.

Respectfully Submitted,


Joanne Semihara, Chair

District Manager Report

March 19, 2012

Dear Board Members,

Thank you to all Board Members who responded to our survey regarding the future distribution of the minutes of General Board meetings. We will compile the results and you will receive your minutes accordingly.

I attended the Brooklyn Borough Service Cabinet meeting on Tuesday, March 13, 2012. The NYC Parks Department Commissioner Kevin Jeffrey did a request to all DMs to reach out to interested groups or "go to" residents interested in its Clean and Green Brooklyn Parks Anti-Litter Program. The Clean and Green Brooklyn Parks Anti-Litter Program has community volunteers agree to take charge of a local park or playground and volunteer to do regular cleaning for a few hours on the same day each week. They are looking for help in identifying a go to person to train as a Volunteer Crew Chief to recruit and supervise volunteers for this program. Anyone interested.. Please let me know.

Also, a representative from the Mayor's Office of Film was on hand to discuss recent implementation of changes listing filming permits on the City's central CECM (Office of Citywide Event Management) notification system.

I just want to remind you once again that paving season is around the corner... We received notice that beginning sometime in April the following streets will be milled and resurfaced: 96th Street from Shore Road to 4th Avenue; 91st Street from Shore Road to 5th Avenue; 80th Street from 7th Avenue to 13th Avenue; 66th Street from 4th Avenue to Fort Hamilton Parkway; 11th Avenue from Bay Ridge Parkway to 86th Street

Also, there are sewer replacement projects ongoing at 76th Street between 11th and 12th Avenue and on 77th Street between Fort Hamilton Parkway and 10th Avenue. These projects should be completed in the next few weeks.

Brooklyn Saint Patrick's Parade will be held on **Sunday, March 25, 2012**. The Parade will form on 4th Avenue, 95th Street to Marine Avenue at 1100 hours. At 1300 hours the Bay Ridge St Patrick's Parade will begin and travel Northbound on 4th Avenue from Marine Avenue to 94th Street then proceed onto 5th Avenue traveling northbound to 67th Street. Two of our very own will be honored – Kevin Peter Carroll and MaryAnn Walsh.

The 13th Avenue Merchants Association along with Congressman Grimm, Senator Golden, and the Dyker Heights Civic Association, invite you to their 1st Annual Easter-Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 31st, 11AM - 2PM at Dyker Park - 14th Avenue & 86th Street.

On Sunday, April 15th from 11am to 8pm Spartan Restaurant will be hosting a Community Greek Easter Festival/ Celebration on 8th Avenue from 68th Street to Bay Ridge Avenue.

The 4th Ave Task Force – Bay Ridge Town Hall meeting will take place on **Wednesday, April 18th at 7PM at Our Lady of Angels** all are invited to attend. Information regarding this event will be posted on our website.

The next General Board Meeting will take place on **Monday, April 16^h at the Knights of Columbus 1305 86th Street**. On behalf of the District Office staff and myself I would like to wish all who observe a Happy Easter and Passover..

Respectfully Submitted,


Josephine Beckmann
District Manager

**COMMUNITY BOARD TEN
TREASURER'S REPORT**

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

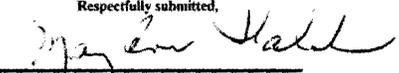
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COMMUNITY COORDINATOR	\$4,596.66	\$4,596.66	\$4,596.66	\$4,596.66	\$6,894.99	\$4,596.66	\$4,596.66	\$4,596.66					
COMMUNITY ASSOCIATE	\$1,440.96	\$1,440.96	\$2,161.44	\$1,440.96	\$1,440.96	\$1,440.96	\$1,440.96	\$1,440.96					
COMMUNITY ASSISTANT													
Total Personal Services	\$13,602.36	\$13,602.36	\$14,322.84	\$13,602.36	\$19,683.06	\$13,602.36	\$13,602.36	\$13,602.36	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$115,620.06

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417	Advertising														
431	Lessing 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	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	240.00						
608	Iron Security Gate Maintenance														
676	Awning														
414	Water, Sewer, Utility														
Total Other than Personal Services		\$552.81	\$2,418.46	\$550.10	\$1,705.79	\$1,225.34	\$1,381.48	\$1,809.99	\$692.33	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00	\$10,336.30

TOTAL PS AND OTPS EXPENSES	14,155.17	16,020.82	14,872.94	15,308.15	20,908.40	14,983.84	15,412.35	14,294.69	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	125,956.36
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TOTAL UNCOMBURED BUDGET BALANCE													\$80,938.64
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Respectfully submitted,

 Mary Ann Walsh, Treasurer

T&T Report

86th Street Corridor Safety Improvements (4th Ave. to Shore Rd.) by NYC

Department of Transportation

On March 14, 2012 the T&T Committee met in quorum and hosted a public hearing for a NYCDOT proposal for lane closures and line painting along a portion of 86th Street from Shore Road to 4th Avenue. (These six intersections and roadway hereinafter referred to as the 86th St. Corridor). The hearing was attended by board members not on the Committee, Councilman Vincent Gentile, our community officers from the 68th Precinct, Pat Condren from the 86th St. BID and John Quaglione for Senator Golden.

There were calls and comments directed to the District Office in response to mail notifications about the hearing. The overwhelming majority of calls were opposed to the proposal. At the hearing six people spoke in opposition to the idea and two in favor. The Committee received accident data from the NYCDOT and from the NYPD. The DOT annual data for the first four intersections at Shore, Narrows, Colonial and Ridge reflected one bicycle (B) accident, two pedestrian (P) accidents and twenty motor vehicle (MV) accidents for the year for those intersections. The intersection at 3rd Ave. reflected twenty eight accidents (2B, 7P and 19MV) and the intersection at 4th Ave. reflected fifty four accidents for the

year (2B, 23P and 29MV). It is clear that along this corridor the most dangerous section by far is the intersections of 4th Ave. and 86th St. followed by 3rd Ave. and 86th St.

The plan proposed to narrow the entire corridor to one lane from shore to 4th Ave. by painting a striped median in the middle of the road. The plan included specific turning lanes from 86th St. unto 3rd and 4th Avenues. In addition left turns would be prohibited from those avenues unto 86th Street. Many concerns were raised about the possibility that these changes would back up traffic along the corridor, create dangerous conditions around PS 185 and the Adelphi Academy. There was no information of the effect to bus stops or bus service. There is no information as to how traffic patterns will be affected when the new school being constructed on 4th Ave. is completed. Neighbors complained about speeding cars and racing being done by younger drivers at non peak hours. While other issues were also discussed such as a request for a stop sign at Ridge Blvd and 87th Street there was no consensus that this proposal if put into effect along the 86th St. Corridor would be enhance safety significantly or at all.

There is no more important goal than assuring the safety of our pedestrians, cyclists and drivers but we need to be sure that action taken actually will improve conditions for our community. The traffic reconfiguration for 78th Street and Ft. Hamilton Parkway was proposed and approved quickly and then had to be

revisited because unanticipated effects resulted in traffic problems at other intersections. The DOT informed us that this proposal is not a capital project. I believe that when we reconfigure the 86th Street Corridor that Bay Ridge deserves a capital project with substantial barriers and physical protections for the public. A raised median greenway could be put in place which would leave two lane traffic along some of the corridor. Concrete neckdowns or corner extensions would provide better protection for pedestrians at 3rd and 4th Aves. Traffic could be slowed using planted chicanes at the mid block areas instead of merely painting the middle of the road. All of these considerations and thoughts were discussed by the Committee. The fact that overall traffic safety is improved in NYC, traffic accidents are concentrated on two intersections along the Corridor and the greatest culprit endangering pedestrians and bicyclists is speeding.

The Committee voted by a majority (7-4) to state that the NYCDOT proposal was not acceptable in the form presented. Specifically the Committee voted that the line painting proposal was not acceptable. In order to facilitate safety improvements at the dangerous intersections of 3rd and 4th Avenues the Committee voted to recommend that the entire Board vote to accept that portion of the plan for turning lanes and turning prohibitions at the intersections of 3rd and 4th Avenues. The Committee voted to recommend that the Board vote to request from our representatives and the NYCDOT that those improvements to the two

adequate signs

intersections as well as the assignment of a Traffic Safety Agent during peak hours (3 p.m. to 6p.m.) and the installation of a stop sign on Ridge Blvd be put in place instead. The Committee voted to recommend that the board vote to request a traffic study to be done on the corridor for the purpose of changing the traffic light timing sequence to prevent speeding traffic. Ideally if traffic accidents can continue to be reduced in CB 10 and NYC this would spare individual citizens personal tragedies and our society great economic loss. The Committee is dedicated to making all appropriate safety improvements wherever possible. To that end Councilman Vincent Gentile, Chairperson Joanne Seminero, DM Josephine Beckman and I will meet with the Committee to develop a plan of action for safety improvements and then coordinate with the NYCDOT to see what improvements, capital and otherwise, can be made in the community.

Brian Kieran

COMMUNITY BOARD TEN RECORD OF ROLL CALL VOTE

MEETING DATE 3/19/12

MOTION TOPIC Motion to postpone - DOT 86 St. Proposal

MEMBER	FOR	AGAINST	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Ahl, Greg	✓			
Amato, Liz	✓			
Bortnick, Allen	✓			
Carroll, Kevin Peter	A			
Casale, Michael				
Chin, Shirley	✓			
Collins, Judith	✓			
Cruz, Doris	A			
D'Amelio, Ida	✓			
DeMetz, Anna	✓			
El-Yateem, Khader	A			
Falutico, Ann	✓			
Festa, Michael		✓		
Fontas, George	✓			
Germack, Barbara	A			
Gounardes, Andrew	✓			
Grimaldi, Judith	A			
Gross, Ronald	A			
Harrison, Stephen	✓			
Hudock, Robert	✓			
Johnson, June		✓		
Joudeh, Habib	A			
Khatari, Katherine	✓			
Kieran, Brian		✓		
Klein, Scott		✓		
Kokolis, Stella	A			
Lamia, Dino		✓		
Leonardos, Nikolaos		✓		
Lobuglio, Luigi	✓			
May, Jeannie	✓			
McCone, Rhea		✓		
Meade, Rita	A			
Nolan, Mary	✓			
Petty, Eleanor		✓		
Pulaski, Susan		✓		
Quinones, Mary		✓		
Rasinya, Dean	✓			
Rimawi, Husam	A			
Romero, Susan	✓			
Ryan, Jean	✓			
Schack, Dilia	A			
Schiano, Eleanor	✓			
Seminara, Joanne		✓		
Sokoloski, Joseph	✓			
Stelter, Lawrence		✓		
Vallas, Sandy	✓			
Vella-Marrone, Fran	A			
Walsh, Mary Ann		✓		
Willis, Lori	A			
TOTALS	22	13		

The Police and Public Safety Committee meet on March 15th to hear three applications:

A. 10007 4th Avenue, LLC; d/b/a Amnesia

The first was a renewal application for a liquor license at Amnesia located 100-07 4th Avenue. We all remember Amnesia from last month, when the Community Board disapproved their application for a cabaret license.

The operator of Amnesia indicated a change in the operation of the venue to convert it from a Brazilian steakhouse to an Italian steakhouse, still named Amnesia. The venue will open Tuesday – Sunday for lunch, then close mid-day, and re-open in the evening for dinner and stay open till 4:00 AM. It will continue to be available to rent for private dinners.

The applicant claimed that they were taking care of many of the issues raised last month by adding sound dampening curtains around the walls, removing some, but not all of the speakers and regularly sweeping and cleaning the sidewalks.

There was one person there in support of the application and one opposed, but we learned that the neighbors were confused as to why they had to attend another committee meeting if the Community Board had already opposed the application and this may have lead to a decreased turnout. The committee discussed the application for more than an hour, asked dozens of questions and ultimately concluded that if this venue operated as a restaurant, we did not object to a liquor license at this location.

The committee voted unanimously to disapprove the renewal application for Amnesia unless the following stipulations were met:

1. That the venue not operate as a nightclub as defined by the New York State Liquor Authority.
2. That the outside French doors close by 10:00 PM.
3. That a licensed Valet be used.
4. That a sufficient number of valet staff be available on evening when warranted.
5. That there will be no speakers placed by the front of the building.
6. That the owner agrees to return to the Community Board if requested.
7. That the manager on Duty will carry a cell phone, whose number is available to the general public.
8. That ownership controls all events and does not turn the venue over to outside third party promoters.
9. That music stays within the New York City's Department of Environmental Protection Noise Code.
10. That the owner agrees to notify Community Board Ten of any change in their Method of Operation before implementing any such change.

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

B. Crown KTV - 868 64th Street

The second application was for a renewal of a liquor license application at Crown KTV 868 84th Street. In spring of 2010 Community Board 10 requested that the State Liquor Authority revoke the liquor license at this location because of their blatant disregard of our agreed to stipulations and because of various criminal activities that have been associated with this venue.

The committee voted unanimously to oppose this renewal application and that recommendation is before the full board now for its consideration.

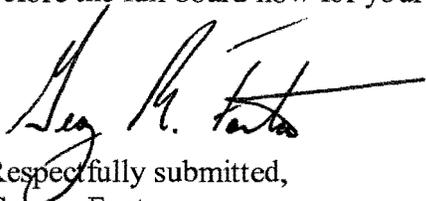
C. St. Germaine French Bistro LLC – 8303 3rd Avenue

The third and final application was a corporate change for St. Germaine restaurant. Included in this application was a change to the method of operation to include live music of this venue and the use of the back yard for dining. The hours of operation are Tuesday-Thursday, noon to 11:00 PM; Friday and Saturday, noon to 4:00 AM; and Sunday 11:00 AM to 11:00 PM.

The applicant was not present but provided the committee with an extraordinarily detailed application for our review. The committee voted unanimously to disapprove the application unless the following conditions were met:

1. That they shall close the rear yard at midnight.
2. That they shall not have music in the yard.
3. That they shall keep all doors closed.
4. That they shall not allow smoking in the rear yard.
5. That they shall attend any future meetings of the committee if requested.

The applicant has agreed to all of these stipulations. The recommendation of the committee is before the full board now for your consideration.



Respectfully submitted,
George Fontas

PARKS COMMITTEE MEETING ---TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 2012 -- 7PM – DISTRICT OFFICE
JUNE JOHNSON, COMMITTEER CHAIR

(Members Present: June Johnson, Greg Ahl, Doris Cruz, Michael Festa, Scott Klein, Rita Meade, Eleanor Petty, Jean Ryan, Sandy Vallas. DM Beckmann also attended

Members Excused: Shirley Chin, Rhea McCone

Members Absent: Luigi Lobuglio

Guests: Sonia Valentin, John Beckmann Sr., Cathy SantoPietro, Anita Wright, Paul Paparella, Jawad Assaf, Anthony Curran

--- The group from the Siphon Project gave us a very interesting power-point presentation. The primary elements of the new Siphon Harbor Crossing are the tunnel, shafts, pipeline, water mains and the sewer replacement and relocation. The completion date of this project is approximately 10/2013.

It also came to our attention that the Parks Dept. has started another project - perma paving—right next to the Siphon Project and it will run thru June. The area has lost 35 parking spaces along the two projects.

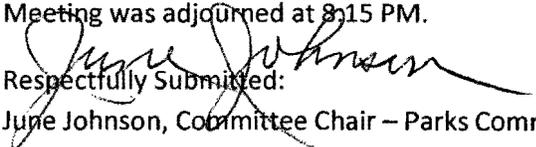
--- Sonia Valentin of the “Friends of JJ Carty Park” detailed the plans the group has to revitalize the park. She plans to work with the local senior center, as well as the neighbors around the park. Sonia has also approached the local elected officials, is writing a grant and discussed a flag ceremony with Cathy SantoPietro from the Fort Hamilton Army Garrison.

--- BM Doris Cruz brought us up-to-date on the condition of the path within the park from Fourth Ave to the ball fields in Shore Road Park. There is erosion on the sides of the path, irregular placement of the pavers, soil and overgrowth covering the path, and, in some places, it’s hard to walk on the path. The path needs to be dug up and completely redone. We did come up with a few solutions to this problem.

--- We are moving along on our implementation of our plan for local schools “To Maintain Local Parks”. On Tuesday, March 6th, former Board Member Jim O’Dea and I met with Principal Philip Weinberg and Assistant Principal Janet Shepard. We discussed ways that the students at the High School of Telecommunication Arts and Technology can help in the parks. Mr. Weinberg thought their Arista and Key Clubs will be able to use the time toward their community involvement. We will be meeting again with Mr. Weinberg to finalize our plans. Because of the school schedule, testing preps, spring break, and end-term activities, Mr. Weinberg thought they should start at the beginning of the school year in September. It was a great meeting and I was so lucky to have Mr. O’Dea with me as he has an excellent relationship with Mr. Weinberg.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:


June Johnson, Committee Chair – Parks Committee

Community Board Ten

Senior Issues, Housing, Health and Welfare Committee

Meeting Held on 3/12/2012

Members Present: Khader El-Yateem (Chair), Katherine Khatari, Mary Quinones, Susan Romero, Joseph Sokoloski, Jeannie May. Excused: Habib Joudeh, Ida D'Amelio, Judith Grimaldi, Eleanor Petty. Absent: Michael Casale, Anna DeMetz, Stella Kokolis, Husam Rimawi.
Guests: Jean Ryan, Kyle Archie, Police Officer Anthony Curran

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM.

The meeting agenda:

- Presentation by Conservation Services Group representing Con Edison for a Multi-Family Energy Efficiency Program for properties with 5 – 75 units. This program will benefit tenants more than landlords.
- Planning of the food drives to be held at the March 19th, April 16th, and May 21st Board Meetings

The chairman started the meeting with his report and shared the following events:

- 1- Soup Supper dinner will be on 3/26/2012 at 6 PM at Our Saviour's / Salam Lutheran Church located at 414 80th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11209. The dinner is to raise funds to a local charity. The event is open to anyone. The charity for this year will be Reaching Out.
- 2- Welcome Reception for Marianne Nicolosi the new director for the Senior Program at Bethlehem Lutheran Church located at Ovington and 4th Ave., Bay Ridge. The reception will take place on March 21st, 2012 at 4 PM. All are welcome.

Mr. Kyle Archie gave the presentation on behalf of Con Edison in regards to a great program geared towards buildings of 5 to 75 units. The goal of the program is to save energy and save on the cost. This program is free of charge to the owner but the whole building must sign up in order for this free service to be done. This will help them monitor the building and the savings. This program will have positive impact on the environment. Mr. Archie asked our help in getting building owners know about this program and to get the word out. We ask all of you to help and there are more information and brochures in the back.

The committee agreed to invite the whole board to support the following food programs:

- 1- St. Patrick's for the month of March.
- 2- Fourth Avenue Presbyterian Church for the month of April.
- 3- Our Lady of Angels for the month of May.

We encourage all the board members to support these worthy charities and will continue to send out e-mails to inform you of needed supplies.

The meeting ended at 7: 50 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,


Reverend Khader El-Yateem

Sub Committee Meeting for Street Renaming Guidelines

Date/Time/Place: Tuesday, 3/6/12, 7:00pm, CB10 District Office
Present: Sub Committee/Board Members Lizbeth Amato, Doris Cruz, Anna DeMetz, Andrew Gounardes, Steve Harrison, Sub Committee Chair Susan Romero, CB10 Chair Joanne Seminara

The Sub Committee for Street Renaming was created to review the applications process and guidelines, with the intent of presenting potential revisions to the full Board at the June 2012 meeting.

The committee reviewed the current guidelines, which were revised by BM Harrison in 2003. BM Harrison's procedures were adopted by The Council of The City of New York Infrastructure Division as their standards and procedures for street co-naming. It is the guideline used for consideration of all street renaming applications presented to CB10.

BM Harrison and BM Cruz provided invaluable insight as to the creation of the guidelines, as well as the development of procedures as they have evolved. By providing a comprehensive history, they clarified the intent of the paragraphs which helped present committee members understand how we might better implement the approvals process.

A crucial aspect of this process is in determining when it is appropriate for the committee to disapprove an application, while still affording the discretion to approve those that may be considered as meeting the guideline requirements marginally. Several suggestions were discussed, including:

- thorough review of evidence required in support of applications and enforcement of same, in whatever form is appropriate
- consideration of limiting amount of street renamings in a given calendar year
- review of applications submission process to CB10 office
- exploring potential for the committee to review applications prior to meeting with applicants, and before presentation to full Board
- discussing potential for pre-screening applications
- possibility of offering alternatives to renaming a street for those applicants who do not meet requirements, but who are worthy of mention in the community

The committee has another meeting scheduled for Tuesday, April 3rd to continue the analysis. In advance of this meeting, Committee Chair Romero will schedule an exploratory meeting with Councilman Gentile's office as to the complete procedures required for street renaming applications.

Respectfully submitted,



Susan Romero, Chair
Sub Committee for Street Renaming

STATE LIQUOR AUTHORITY – NEW APPLICATIONS & RENEWALS

<u>Name/Address</u>	<u>Received at CB 10</u>	<u>Status</u>
Hom Imports, 8804-06 3 rd Avenue	3/9/12	Renewal
New Sushi Island Japanese Restaurant, Inc., d/b/a Sapporo Japanese Cuisine, 7812 3 rd Avenue	3/12/12	Renewal
8618 Omiya Inc., d/b/a Omiya Sushi, 8618 4 th Avenue	3/13/12	Renewal
Le Sajj Restaurant, 8221 5 th Avenue	3/14/12	Renewal
Café Zio Toto, 8320 3 rd Avenue	3/15/12	*New Application (Liquor, Wine and Beer)
Hamilton Parkway Corp., 7102 Fort Hamilton Pkwy.	3/16/12	*New Application (Liquor, Wine and Beer)
Good World Inc., 834 62 nd Street	3/23/12	*New Application (Liquor, Wine and Beer)
101 Food Corp., d/b/a Lai Yuen, 10033 4 th Avenue	3/23/12	Renewal
Ambe USA Inc., 6424 4 th Avenue	3/26/12	Corporate Change
The Pipers Corp., The Wicked Monk, 8415 5 th Avenue	3/30/12	Renewal
427 Kings Highway, Inc., d/b/a Peppino's, 7708 3 rd Avenue	4/4/12	Renewal
Rocco's Italian Cafeteria, Inc., 6408 Fort Hamilton Parkway	4/5/12	Renewal (Beer Only)
Rocco's Italian Cafeteria, Inc., 6408 Fort Hamilton Parkway	4/5/12	Renewal (Wine & Beer)

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