



COMMUNITY
BOARD #14

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REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
SEPTEMBER 12, 2017**

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
333 BEACH 90 STREET
ROCKAWAY BEACH, NY 11693**

PRESENT

Edward Benson, Courtney Brown, Louis Caucig, Glenn Collins, Annette Lord-Cohen, Stephen Cooper, John Cori, Dr. Gerald David, Ahmed Edwards, Noreen Ellis, Temina Feldman, Patricia Gillespie, D. Brian Heffernan, Martin Ingram, Henry Iori, Felicia Johnson, Joel Kaplan, Peter Larkin, Betty Leon, Desiree Maple, John McCambridge, Sonia Moise, Aldean Moore, Daniel Mundy, Ellen O'Reilly, Eugene Pasternak, Edward Pastore Sr., Karen Sloan-Payne, Denise Lopresti-Neibel, Harvey Rudnick, Daniel Rusillo Jr., Sender Schwartz, Dr. Eli Shapiro, Chris Tedesco, Thomas Tobin, Milan Taylor, Michael Tubridy, Rachel Williams

ABSENT

Khaleel Anderson, Shalom Becker, Mordechai Dicker, Dolores Orr, Isaac Parsee, Carole Trachtenberg, Edwin Williams, Jose Velez

GUESTS

Ciara Donley - Rep. City Councilman Eric Ulrich, Sandee Doremus - Rep. Senator Joseph Addabbo Jr., Dan Brown - Rep. Queens Borough President Melinda Katz, Devaney Brown - Rep. City Councilman Donovan Richards, Josh Hyman - Rep. State Assemblywoman Stacey Pheffer-Amato

The meeting was called to order by Al Moore, 1st Vice Chair at 7:20 p.m. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

REPORT OF THE DISTRICT MANAGER

District Manager Jonathan Gaska reported that the Downtown Far Rockaway plan was approved. The Board's request for a school and a park will be included. In addition, City Councilman Donovan Richards confirmed a pilot program for a ferry shuttle to come to Mott Avenue and a ferry pickup location in the Rockaway Beach /Arverne neighborhood.

Queens Borough President Melinda Katz voted in favor of the relocation of the new fire house to Beach Channel Drive and Beach 116 Street, even though the board voted against the relocation site.

Peninsula Hospital property was sold to private developers that are proposing to construct housing. The development would require zoning changes and would come to the board for review. In addition the abandoned stores at Beach 54 Street and Beach Channel Drive are going to be demolished and rebuilt.

MINUTES FROM JUNE 13, 2017

Al Moore, 1st Vice Chair went to the board for questions regarding the minutes from June 13, 2017. Betty Leon made the motion for the board to accept the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Lou Caucig.

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Al Moore, 1st Vice Chair opened the floor for public speaking at 7:37 pm. 10 people signed up to speak. They all were recognized and heard. Al Moore, 1st Vice Chair closed public speaking.

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GUEST SPEAKER- Dan Brown representing Queens Borough President Malinda Katz announced that the following board members received Community Service Awards for Outstanding Dedicated Community Service: Annette Lord-Cohen for 15 years and Shalom Becker for 20 years.

COMMITTEE REPORT

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Dr. Eli Shapiro, Chair of the committee reported that a meeting was held on September 5, 2017 to review and discuss the draft 2019 Capital & Expense budget priorities. The list of priorities have been distributed and the board is open for suggestions and comments. In addition, input and suggestions are welcomed from the community during public participation. As a reminder community input and ideas are still welcomed at the board's October meeting and after public participation the board will vote on the final draft.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – Al Moore, 1st Vice Chair opened the floor for public participation regarding the draft 2019 Capital & Expense Budget. No one signed up to speak. Al Moore, 1st Vice Chair closed public participation.

Mr. Tubridy expressed that the date for East 12th Road should be corrected.

OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

- Mundy made a motion for the board to form an ad-hoc committee to develop a punch list of concerns to present to the QBP regarding the new fire house location. The motion was seconded by Noreen Ellis. The motion passed by a hand vote in favor of the motion.

-Karen Sloan Payne made the motion for the board to form an ad-hoc committee to develop an evacuation plan for Rockaway. The motion was seconded by Lou Caucig. The motion failed by a hand vote.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:10pm.

Respectfully Submitted By: Mary Dunning