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MINUTES MAY 11, 2016

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OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

F. GULLUSCIO	DISTRICT MANAGER
S. SPELLMAN	OFF. OF ST. SENATOR ADDABBO
K. WISNIEWSKI	OFF. OF ASSEMBLYMEMBER HEVESI
J. PERRICONE	QBPO
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M. COHEN	OFF. OF COUNCILMEMBER KOSLOWITZ
S. WOLFF	OFF. OF ASSEMBLYMEMBER SIMANOWITZ

Chairman Hennessy opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

112th PRECINCT

Deputy Inspector Harrison reported that overall crime is down for the 28 day period as well as year to date.

Traffic Problems – speeding numbers are up year to date, and 72 more summonses were written this year than last year.

Inspector Harrison said that two major corridors that have been earmarked for speeding enforcement are the Grand Central Parkway service road and Union Turnpike between Queens Blvd. and Woodhaven Blvd. The 112th Precinct continues to work with DOT, and there have been several on site visits, one in particular is at Austin St. and 71 Ave. DOT has been very receptive to these problems, and they continue to work with the 112th Precinct to try to improve the situation.

Massage Parlors – arrests have been made by the Organized Crime Control Bureau. Two arrests were made at 104-14 Metropolitan Ave., 2 at 97-16 Metropolitan Ave., and 1 at 104-09 Metropolitan Ave.

During discussion Inspector Harrison was asked about the double parking situation on 97 Street near Rego Center II. Inspector Harrison said that the 112th Precinct conducted an operation at that location three weeks ago and summonses were written. However, the double parking continues. In response to a question about the enforcement of NO STANDING ANYTIME signs on Junction Blvd. near the Rego Park Center, Inspector Harrison said that she will address this matter. Inspector Harrison was asked what she thought about traffic enforcement agents doing more than just writing tickets for double parking, and possibly writing tickets for illegal u-turns, etc. Inspector Harrison said that she is in favor of this.

New Recruits – Inspector Harrison introduced 5 new officers from the Police Academy. After their field training they will go back to the Police Academy, and then after graduation they will be assigned to the 112th Precinct.

Concerts – Inspector Harrison met with the concert producers and did a walk through of the facility. On May 26 there will be a Town Hall meeting at Our Lady of Mercy, 70-01 Kessel Street at 7 p.m.

DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT

Bioswales – DEP is installing more Bioswales in the CB 6 District. Maps and locations are in the CB 6 office.

CB 6 Web Site – has been very successful, and has had over 700 hits so far.

Woodhaven Blvd. Safety Study – Mr. Gulluscio met with representatives from DOT regarding the Safety Study. The next Phase of the Study will start shortly. Open House events to view the Plans for a safer Woodhaven/Cross Bay Blvd. are scheduled as follows:

May 17 @ P.S. 42, 488 Beach 66th St., 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

May 21 @ P.S. 65, 103-22 99th St., 12 p.m. to 2 p.m.

May 25 @ P.S. 306, 95-16 89th Ave., 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

All locations are ADA accessible.

PRESENTATION ON WEST NILE SPRAYING BY METROPOLITAN EXPEDITIONARY LEARNING SCHOOL STUDENTS

Dennil Erazo, Ryan Phillips, and Seth Douglas are Juniors at the Metropolitan Expeditionary Learning School. As part of their Biology class they studied about the West Nile Virus and the use of pesticides. The West Nile Virus originated in Uganda in 1957, and by 1999 it was

diagnosed in the United States. The response to this virus was the use of pesticides and vaccines, and spraying of neighborhoods and wooded areas. (can be threatening to residents)

The students gave an overview of two newer techniques that can be used to control mosquitos:

Injecting the male mosquito eggs - with DNA which ultimately kills the female eggs. (this method is very expensive)

Radiation – the use of irradiators emits a small amount of gamma radiation which sterilizes the male mosquitos and therefore the female mosquitos cannot become fertile. (female mosquitos only mate once, but they can produce 3,000 offspring)

Public Education – people need to know about preventive measures. Local government can educate the community and raise awareness of the dangers of standing water and high weeds, and the importance of having window screens.

CONSUMER AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Norman Leibowitz, Chair, Consumer Affairs Committee, informed that the Board received three new liquor license applications. A representative from El Pollo Inka Peru, 112-20 Queens Blvd. was in attendance and the application was approved on a roll call vote 32 in favor, 0 opposed. (16-9)

A representative from the End of the Century Bar, 104-08 Metropolitan Ave. was in attendance, and the application was approved on a roll call vote 32 in favor, 0 opposed. (16-10)

Applicant for Tai Tai, 75-62 113 St., was not in attendance and this vote was deferred until next month.

There were 4 renewals. The committee voted by a show of hands to approve all renewals. (16-11)

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Heidi Chain, Chair, Economic Development Committee reported that Leslie Brown, President of the Forest Hills Chamber of Commerce, made a presentation at the Committee meeting. Ms. Brown informed that the Forest Hills Chamber has 235 businesses who contribute to the Chamber. The Forest Hills Chamber sponsors two street fairs, and two Jazz Outdoor Concerts every year. This year the Street Fairs are on June 12 and September 25. The Street fairs are on Austin Street between 69 Road and 72 Road. The Jazz Concerts are on August 11 and August 18, on 70 Road between Queens Blvd. and Austin Street.

The Westside Tennis Club donated over \$50,000 to help clean the streets in the community.

Ms. Chain thanked Leslie Brown for attending the Committee meeting.

GOOD & WELFARE

Bob Silver, Chair, Street Activity Permit Committee, spoke about the upcoming Memorial Day Parade, which is scheduled for May 29 at 12 noon. Mr. Silver noted that attending the parade is a good opportunity to show appreciate for people who served their country.

Joann Ciorciari reported that she attended an event at the Westside Tennis Club which was aimed at thanking people who donated \$100 or more to support the parade.

Jean Silva reported that there are two arts and crafts events at the Flushing Meadows Corona Park. Events will take place on May 21 and June 5. For more information go to www.fmccpc.org.

Steve Goldberg reported that on Saturday, May 14, 3 p.m. Sara Partridge, noted Jazz Singer, will perform at the Forest Hills Library.

Kevin Wisniewski, on behalf of Assemblymember Hevesi, said that the Assemblymember was unable to attend the CB 6 meeting because he was in Albany.

John Perricone, on behalf of Borough President Katz, said that there will be a tribute to those who have served our country in uniform on May 26 at 11 a.m. at the Veterans Memorial Garden at Queens Borough Hall.

Sarah Spellman, on behalf of State Senator Joseph Addabbo, urged everyone to attend the meetings about the Select Bus Service and express their opinions.

Michael Cohen, on behalf of Councilmember Koslowitz, said that the fines for standing water range from \$200 to \$2,000. The Department of Health will inspect complaints. These complaints can be called in to 311.

Tax on Plastic Bags – Mr. Cohen said that this bill was passed by the City Council. Councilmember Koslowitz was not in favor, and voted against it.

Scott Wolff, on behalf of Assemblymember Simanowitz, reported that the Assemblymember, along with Congressman Joseph Crowley will host an E-Waste Recycling event and paper shredding event on May 15 at 134-01 20th Ave., College Point.

Michael Dunn, on behalf of Board Member Edwin Wong, spoke about the Queens Memory Project, which is an effort to record and preserve local Queens History. The Forest Hills Library will host two Queens Memory Events. The first one is on October 26 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The second is on October 31 from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Meeting was brought to a close at 9 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Burns
Board Secretary

