



# COMMUNITY BOARD 6, QUEENS

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VICE-CHAIR · LAND USE

LYNN SCHULMAN  
VICE-CHAIR · SCOPING

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BOROUGH PRESIDENT

## MINUTES SEPTEMBER 14, 2017

### PRESENT

J. HENNESSY, CHAIR	S. GOLDBERG, 2 <sup>ND</sup> VC
G. GORDON, 1 <sup>ST</sup> VC	N. ALTMAN, VC, SECRETARY
N. LEIBOWITZ, VC, LAND USE	G. CARLSON, VC, FINANCE

P. BEADLE	S. KING	D. SCHNEIER
M. BERFAS	P. KUMAR	J. SILVA
H. CHAIN	M. LASTER	R. SILVER
S. CHU	J. LEBOWITZ	M. SILVERSTEIN
J. CIORCIARI	J. MAKIN	J. SINGERMAN
C. COLLETT	R. MEHRRA	B. STUCHINSKI
J. DERESZEWSKI	J. MEDINA	S. WANDERMAN
A. FEIGENSON	F. MOHAMA	A. WEITZMAN
E. FELDER	E. MURRAY	J. WESTON
G. FERRERAS	K. NEUMAN	E. WONG
B. GROSSBERG	E. NEWTON	
M. JACOBSON	H. PAREKH	
B. KATZ	S. ROLNICK	

### ABSENT

H. BULOW	J. KEVELSON	Y. MIEROV
B. GRIFFITH	N. MARTINEZ	R. NEKTALOV
		B. WEITZBERG

### OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

FRANK GULLUSCIO	DISTRICT MANAGER
D.I. RAMOS	112 PRECINCT
J. PERRICONE	QBPO
J. GRIFFIN	OFF. OF SENATOR ADDABBO
J. CAPALDI	OFF. OF CONGRESSMEMBER MENG
S. ELJUK	OFF. OF PUBLIC ADVOCATE JAMES



**COMMUNITY BOARD 6**

**SEPT. 14, 2017**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairman Hennessy opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. The Board observed a moment of silence in honor of recently deceased Assemblymember Michael Simanowitz, and Francine Varley, sister of Frank Gulluscio.

**MINUTES**

Minutes of June 14, 2017 were accepted as distributed.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS  
CHAIR**

Chairman Hennessy turned the Chair over to First Vice Chair Gail Gordon, who requested nominations for Chair of CB 6. Steve Goldberg nominated Joseph Hennessy, nomination was seconded by Naomi Altman. There were no further nominations for the position of Chair of CB 6.

By a show off hands the Board voted unanimously in favor of Joseph Hennessy for Chair of Community Board 6. (17-15)

**FIRST VICE CHAIR**

Chairman Hennessy resumed the Chair and requested nominations for First Vice Chair of CB 6. Steve Goldberg nominated Gail Gordon. Nomination was seconded by Naomi Altman. There were no further nominations, and Gail Gordon was elected First Vice Chair of Community Board 6 by a voice vote. (17-16)

## **SECOND VICE CHAIR**

Chairman Hennessy opened the floor for nominations for Second Vice Chair. Bob Silver nominated Steve Goldberg. Nomination was seconded by Gail Gordon. There were no further nominations, and Steve Goldberg was elected Second Vice Chair of Community Board 6 by a voice vote. (17-17)

## **VICE CHAIR - SECRETARY**

Chairman Hennessy opened the floor for nominations for Vice Chair – Secretary. Gloria Ferreras nominated Naomi Altman. Nomination was seconded by Joyce Singerman. There were no further nominations and Naomi Altman was elected Vice Chair – Secretary of Community Board 6 by a voice vote. (17-18)

## **VICE CHAIR – FINANCE**

Chairman Hennessy opened the floor for nominations for Vice Chair – Finance. Peter Beadle nominated Greg Carlson. Nomination was seconded by Gloria Ferreras. There were no further nominations and Greg Carlson was elected Vice Chair – Finance of Community Board 6 by a voice vote. (17-19)

## **VICE CHAIR – SCOPING**

Chairman Hennessy informed that Lynn Schulman, VC Scoping has resigned from the Board. The Chairman opened the floor for nominations for the office of Vice Chair – Scoping. Mark Laster nominated Peter Beadle. Nomination was seconded by Alexa Weitzman. Peter Beadle was elected Vice Chair – Scoping by a voice vote. (17-20)

Chairman Hennessy congratulated everyone who was elected to the Board. The Chairman informed the Board Members that it is necessary to attend committee meetings. He said that all committee meetings are open to every Board Member as well as to members of the public.

Chairman Hennessy spoke to the recent passing of Assemblymember Michael Simanowitz. The Chairman praised the Assemblymember for his work with the Queens Community House, as well as his other endeavors throughout the community on behalf of his constituents.

Q 23 Bus – Chairman Hennessy said that the Community Board was criticized on social media for the way that the Q 23 was re-routed. Chairman Hennessy and District Manager Gulluscio, and elected officials attended several meetings with DOT about these changes. Community Board 6 was in favor of making the left turn for buses only, and they are not pleased with the changes that were made.

Chairman Hennessy has requested another meeting with DOT. The Board wrote to Nicole Garcia, Commissioner of NYC DOT, and Luke De Palma, Asst. Director, MTA objecting to the new Q23 bus route due to the disservice that it will create for the residents of the Community. The MTA said that they will go along with whatever DOT decides. Councilmember Karen Koslowitz and Councilmember Crowley are not in favor of the DOT changes. The District Manager said that he will continue to work with DOT.

Concerts – the concerts at the Westside Tennis Center were very successful.

Bicycle Lanes – on Queens Blvd. from Yellowstone Blvd. to LIC. DOT reported that they have had no complaints from the commercial businesses on Queens Blvd. about the bus lanes.

### **112<sup>TH</sup> PRECINCT**

Deputy Inspector Ramos introduced the new Executive Officer Captain William Berneke. Inspector Ramos said that citywide crime is down as follows: murder 23.9%, rape 7.1%, robbery 10.8%, felony assault 4%, burglary 9.7%, grand larceny 3.5%, and GLA 11.1%.

112<sup>th</sup> Precinct overall crime is down 5% as follows: rape 42.9%, robbery 29.7%, burglary 12.3%, grand larceny 1.2%, and GLA 6.2%. felony assault had an increase of 16.7%.

Bias incident – at the 67 Avenue subway station on September 13. a mother and daughter were accosted by a man who used ethnic slurs to insult them. The perpetrator was arrested by the Transit Police.

Scams – Inspector Ramos reported on some of the scams that are ongoing in the district. Persons who pretend to be from Con Edison calling residents and threatening to turn off their electricity, repairmen who begin working on a residence, request a deposit, and then never come back, and persons who call Senior citizens and tell them that they won the lottery, and then ask for their personal banking information.

Mailbox fishing – there have been no additional incidents.

Homeless – the 112<sup>th</sup> Precinct continues to offer assistance to the homeless community.

67 Rd. and 102 St – there are dangerous traffic conditions at this intersection, especially during the 4:30 to 6 p.m. hours. The Inspector said that he will ask the Conditions Officer to monitor this location.

Queens Center Mall – double parking continues. Also, enforcement of bicycle lanes is needed. The bikes are riding on the sidewalks. The Inspector said he will request enforcement.

Inspector Ramos spoke about an incident that happened a few weeks ago. Several police officers were overcome by possible drug related fumes. The officers responded to a noise complaint, and when the perpetrator was uncooperative they called for backup. While the officers were in the building, they all began to feel ill, and were taken to the hospital.

#### **COMMUNITY BOARD AWARDS**

On behalf of Borough President Melinda Katz, John Perricone distributed awards to the following Community Board 6 members who were unable to attend the ceremony in June: Barbara Stuchinski 20 years, Joyce Singerman, 10 years, Gloria Ferreras, 10 years.

## **DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT**

The District Manager congratulated John Perricone on his recent marriage, and he thanked everyone for their condolences on the passing of his sister, Francine Varley.

Homeless persons – Community Board 6 works with a group called Breaking Ground. This group works closely with homeless individuals, offers them services, and tries to persuade them to go to a shelter.

Capital and Expense Budget and Needs Statement – must be presented shortly. The District Manager will be attending budget meetings next week.

Neighborhood Policing Event – all CB Chairs and District Managers are invited to meet their Neighborhood Coordination Officers at the NYPD Police Academy, 130-30 28 Ave., College Point, on July 27, 2017 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Q-23 – Mr. Gulluscio referred to Chairman Hennessy's comments about social media and their criticism of the Community Board. The District Manager said that the Board has been working with DOT on the Q23 bus issue for over a year. DOT said that they will be monitoring the new changes closely, and will keep the Board informed.

Queens Blvd. – The Community Board office only received 6 complaints from merchants who were not happy about the bicycle lanes. Steve Goldberg said that most of the proposed Queens Blvd. improvements have not yet been completed.

Traffic lights near 112<sup>th</sup> Precinct on Austin St. and Yellowstone Blvd. - DOT reports that there has been a construction delay at this location.

Movie Productions – in response to a question about street closings for the movie productions, the District Manager said that the production company is very responsive to the community. Anyone who has a problem should call the Community Board office and we will refer it to the film company.

Street Restorations - In response to a question about street restorations, the District Manager said that there has been a change in the final street restoration operation. A concrete base must now be added to the operation, and this will require 4 visits to the site before final paving with asphalt.

### **CONSUMER AFFAIRS REPORT**

Norman Leibowitz, Chair, Consumer Affairs, informed that the Board received the following new liquor license applications:

Corporation to be formed, 13 Station Square, The Other Place, 103-19 Metropolitan Ave., Tuscan Hills, 110-60 Queens Blvd. (Change of Class), Spy C Cuisine, 72-06 Austin St., and Old Siam, 69-12 Austin St. All applicants were present, and the committee had no objections to the applications.

All five applications were approved on a roll call vote. (17-21)

Chophouse, 107-02 70 Rd., (formerly Aged) did not attend the meeting. They will come before the Board at the November 8, 2017 meeting.

The Board received the following renewal applications:

1. Forest Hills Diner of NY, 68-60 Austin St., F.H. 11375
2. Dee's, 107-23 Metropolitan Ave., F.H. 11375
3. Stix Kosher Restaurant, 101-15 Queens Blvd., F.H. 11375
4. Cho Sen Garden, 64-43/45 108 St., F.H. 11375
5. Sushi Koi, Inc. 116-37 Queens Blvd., F.H. 11375
6. Nick's Bistro, 104-20 Metropolitan Ave., F.H. 11375



7. Bareburger, 71-49 Austin St., F.H. 11375
8. Fuji Japanese Cuisine, 113-27 Queens Blvd., F.H. 11375
9. Marani Restaurant, 97-26 63 Rd., R.P. 11374
10. Matiz Latin Cuisine, 110-72 Queens Blvd., F.H. 11375
11. Sichuan Restaurant, Inc., 98-108 Queens Blvd., R.P. 11374
12. Cuzco Peru BBQ Chicken, 98-102 Queens Blvd., R.P. 11374
13. Da Mikelle II Restaurant, 102-39-55A Queens Blvd., F.H. 11375
14. C-Town Supermarket, 72-48 Austin St., F.H. 11375
15. Agora Taverna, 70-09 Austin St., F.H. 11375

All renewal applications were approved on a show of hands.  
(17-22)

#### **STREET ACTIVITY**

**108<sup>TH</sup> STREET COMMUNITY FAIR SINGLE BLOCK FESTIVAL,  
OCTOBER 9, 2017 10 A.M. TO 6 P.M.**

Bob Silver informed that this event is a fund raiser for the Queens Jewish Community Council.

Application was unanimously approved on a voice vote. (17-23)

#### **GOOD & WELFARE**

Chairman Hennessy congratulated Chris Collett on his appointment as President of the Forest Hills Community & Civic.

Heidi Chain, President of the 112<sup>th</sup> Community Council, and Co-Chair of the CERT Team, reported that she attended a CERT Chiefs meeting. Training for the CERT Team will be held for 5 weeks with 2 meetings every week. Anyone interested can go on the OEM website to sign up. Heidi gave an overview of the work of the CERT Team.

The 112<sup>th</sup> Precinct Community Council will meet on Monday, September 18.

Mark Laster reported on a scheduled Forum for Social Workers about a Single-Payer Healthcare System on October 10, 2017, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at 50 Broadway, Suite 1001, NYC.

Edwin Wong, Forest Hills Asian Association, reported that on October 3 at the Ridgewood Savings Bank, 107-55 Queens Blvd. there will be a Mooncakes for Mid-Autumn Festival. Event is free and open to the public.

Peter Beadle, reported on a bike event on September 17. Riders will assemble at Forest Park Drive.

Chairman Hennessy congratulated Peter Beadle on his election to Vice Chair, Scoping of Community Board 6.

Felix Cabrera, Forest Hills Ambulance Corps, said he will be attending future Community Board meetings. He informed that the Forest Hills ambulance has been in service for 45 years.

The Forest Hills Ambulance Corps will attend an Educational Seminar in Albany on September 21 through September 14.

Jeff Griffin, on behalf of State Senator Joseph Addabbo, reported that the Annual Dinner for Veterans is scheduled for September 23. On September 24 there is a Recycling Fair at the Forest Park Bandshell, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and on October 6 there will be a Job Fair at Resorts World.

Stacy Eliuk, on behalf of Public Advocate Letitia James, reported on the free lunch program in the public schools.

John Perricone, reported on Borough President Katz's Internship Program which is open to High School or College students. Anyone who is interested can contact Joe Nocerino at 718-286-2900.

There will be a Park Cleanup in the fall. Volunteers are needed.

Lisa Colladdo and Juleann Goldstein, NYC Parks & Recreation, spoke about Lost Battalion Hall and some of the programs that they offer such as sports, board games, fitness programs, a culinary program, and an Urban Adventures program.

Chairman Hennessy thanked Barbara Stuchinski for her service to the Community Board. She has resigned from the Board and will be relocating in the near future.

Meeting was brought to a close at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Burns  
Board Secretary

the 1990s, the number of people with a disability in the United States has increased by 25% (U.S. Census Bureau 1997).

As a result of the increase in the number of people with disabilities, the need for accessible information has become more acute. The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 (Public Law 101-354) has provided a legal framework for the development of accessible information. The ADA requires that information and communication be accessible to people with disabilities. This includes the development of accessible information in a variety of formats, including Braille, large print, audio, and video.

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PETER BEADLE			
MIRIAM BERFAS			
HARRIS BULOW	Ab		
GREG CARLSON			
HEIDI CHAIN			
SHERIDAN CHU			
JOANN CIORCIARI			
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PRAMEET KUMAR			
MARK LASTER			
JOAN LEBOWITZ			
NORMAN LEIBOWITZ			
JAMES MAKIN			
NICK MARTINEZ	Ab		
JACK MEDINA			
RENEE MEHARRA			
YANIV MEIROV	Ab		
FADIA MOHAMA			
EDWARD MURRAY			
RAFAEL NEKTALOV	Ab		
DR. KARL NEUMANN			
ELIZABETH NEWTON			
HERSH PAREKH			
SHARI ROLNICK			
DAVID SCHNEIER			
JEAN SILVA			
ROBERT SILVER			
MARSHA SILVERSTEIN			
JOYCE SINGERMANN			
BARBARA STUCHINSKI			
SUSAN WANDERMAN			
BRENT WEITZBERG	Ab.		
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JOAN WESTON			
EDWIN WONG			

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the 1990s, the number of people in the world who are under 15 years of age is expected to increase from 1.1 billion to 1.5 billion (United Nations 1998). This increase is expected to be particularly marked in the developing countries, where the population is expected to increase from 1.1 billion to 1.7 billion (United Nations 1998).

There are a number of reasons why the number of children in the world is expected to increase. One of the main reasons is the high birth rate in the developing countries. In these countries, the average number of children born to a woman is 5.5 (United Nations 1998). This is much higher than the average number of children born to a woman in the developed countries, which is 1.8 (United Nations 1998).

Another reason why the number of children in the world is expected to increase is the high life expectancy in the developing countries. In these countries, the average life expectancy is 55 years (United Nations 1998). This is much higher than the average life expectancy in the developed countries, which is 75 years (United Nations 1998).

There are a number of factors that are expected to contribute to the increase in the number of children in the world. One of the main factors is the high birth rate in the developing countries. This is due to a number of reasons, including the high level of infant mortality, the high level of child mortality, and the high level of child morbidity (United Nations 1998).

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