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June 23, 2016 Full Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence
2. District Manager Jeremy Warneke introduced the new board members who were present: Gabriella Musto, Yahay Obeid and Veronica Castro.
3. Gallery Session
 - a. Grace Lovaglio, Allerton/Barnes Block Association, spoke about the upcoming events and the Neighborhood Advisory Board.
 - b. Brian Adams, 49th Precinct Council, asked about the four proposed Metro North line stations.
 - c. Barbara Gelnick, Jewish Community Council, thanked Jeremy and staff concerning their assistance with a memorial plaque along Pelham Parkway. [Request Annex 1 from the Board Office to view distributed photo.]
 - d. Alleyna Rodriguez, Food Bank for NYC, spoke about free on-line services available on Tracker. [Request Annex 2 from the Board Office to view distributed flier.]
 - e. Sal Presta, Fenton Avenue, spoke about problems with a neighbor who has parties for money on Fenton Avenue. Chairman Anthony Vitaliano asked him to speak to Sergeant Gallo.
 - f. Aida Tieso, Fenton Avenue, spoke about a sink hole at Mace and Fenton Avenues and the need for a stop sign or speed bumps at P.S. 97. Jeremy asked for the most recent 311 service request number from Aida.
 - g. Marcia Lewis spoke about the fencing on Pelham Parkway and the rat issue due to the malls project.
 - h. Raphael Schweizer, Bronx Park East Community Association, spoke about preferential rent scams and upcoming events.
 - i. Marcy Gross said that nurses and staff at nursing homes must give you their name if requested. She also spoke about illegal vendors on White Plains Road.

4. Elected officials
 - a. Thomas Lucania, Borough President's Office; report submitted. [Request Annex 3 from the Board Office to view distributed report.]
 - b. Romina Enea, Councilman Torres's Office, spoke about the budget that was approved and projects funded.
 - c. Adam Bermudez, Councilman King's Office, announced upcoming events. [Request Annex 4 from the Board Office to view distributed flier.]
 - d. Sonny Vataj, Assemblyman Mark Gjonaj's Office, announced upcoming events. [Request Annex 5 from the Board Office to view distributed fliers.]
5. Chairman's Report – Anthony Vitaliano
 - a. Tony said he will meet with the 49th Precinct Captain Walton and the Parks Department.
 - b. Tony also announced the people we are honoring tonight who have proven to be very responsive to the community's needs:
 - i. Brian Hogan, Borough Operations Superintendent, NYC Department of Sanitation
 - ii. Kishon Hickman, Lieutenant, NYPD
 - iii. Juan Sanchez, Officer, NYPD
 - iv. Roger Rachelski, Officer, NYPD
 - c. Tony spoke about the bike patrol that Captain Walton instituted.
 - d. Community Associate Chris Kirka spoke about the responsiveness of our bike patrol officers.
 - e. Motion by Tony Vitaliano, Seconded by Junior Campbell – To approve the May 2016 Full Board Meeting Minutes. **PASSED WITH 1 AGAINST (Andrea Siegel) and 2 ABSTENTIONS (Marcy Gross and Joseph Thompson).**
 - f. Motion by Tony Vitaliano, Seconded by Dominick Schiano – To request that the unmapped street on Pelham Parkway North between Williamsbridge Road and Bronxwood Avenue be named Paulding Avenue. **UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.**
6. Treasurer's Report – Silvio Mazzella; report distributed.
7. District Manager's Report – Jeremy Warneke
 - a. Jeremy said that he would send out the hard copy of his report at a later date.
 - b. Jeremy thanked Joanne Rubino, Edith Blitzer and Ceci Haas for assisting him with his personal childcare issue, and he thanked Tony Vitaliano for Tony's patience and understanding while Jeremy was out on paternity leave.

- c. Jeremy asked that board members make a point of introducing themselves to, and mentor, the newest members.
 - d. Jeremy spoke about two meetings regarding the White Plains Road corridor study and the Allerton-Coops rat problem, and he spoke about a complaint regarding unclaimed police barricades.
 - e. Jeremy discussed a training session he attended regarding our FY2018 District Needs Statements and Budget Requests.
 - f. Tony Vitaliano asked that board members submit to the Board Office their three top preferences for fall committee assignments.
8. Committee Reports
- b. Leadership – Al D’Angelo; no meeting in June; the committee will meet next in August.
 - c. Health & Social Services – Joseph Bacote; Report distributed. Marcy Gross raised issues about the minutes and that her name was not included.
 - d. Nominating Committee – Dominic Schiano; Jeremy read the rules relating to the elections and the elections were conducted; Anthony Vitaliano was elected Chairperson, Al D’Angelo was elected First Vice Chairperson and David Leavitt was elected Secretary; vote results by member at the end of the minutes.
9. Economic Development – David Leavitt
- a. Motion by David Leavitt, Seconded by Al D’ Angelo – To send an email of NO OBJECTION to the New York SLA (State Liquor Authority) regarding the renewal liquor license application for Caffe Portofino, 2008 Williamsbridge Road: LWB (Liquor, Wine & Beer) **UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.**
 - b. Motion by David Leavitt, Seconded by Edith Blitzer – To send an email of NO OBJECTION to the SLA regarding the renewal liquor license application for Patsy’s, 980 Morris Park Avenue: LWB. **UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.**
 - c. Motion by David Leavitt, Seconded by Dom Schiano – To send an e-mail of NO OBJECTION to the SLA regarding the renewal liquor license application for Bronx Italian American Cultural, 2303 Yates Avenue: WB (Wine & Beer). **UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.**
 - d. Motion by David Leavitt, Seconded by Shradhanand Pirtam – To send an e-mail of NO OBJECTION to the SLA regarding the new liquor license application for Code Red, 1320 E. Gun Hill Road: LWB. **PASSED WITH 1 ABSTENTION (David Leavitt).**

- e. Motion by David Leavitt, Seconded by Sandi Unger – To send an e-mail of OBJECTION to the SLA regarding the renewal liquor license application for El Rinconsito Latino, 500 Morris Park Avenue: LWB. **UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.**
 - f. Motion by David Leavitt, Seconded by Dom Schiano – To send an e-mail of OBJECTION to the SLA regarding the renewal liquor license application for Alba Bar Café, 2460 Williamsbridge Road: LWB. **UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.**
 - g. Motion by David Leavitt, Seconded by Sandi Unger – To send an e-mail of OBJECTION to the SLA regarding the renewal liquor license application for N. Bronx Athletic Club, 1480 Mace Avenue: WB. **UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.**
 - h. Motion by David Leavitt, Seconded by Edith Blitzer – To send an e-mail of OBJECTION to the SLA regarding the new liquor license application for Chuck E. Cheese’s, 1816 Gun Hill Road: WB. **PASSED WITH 1 ABSTENTION (Joseph Thompson) and 2 OPPOSED (Bernadette Ferrara and Andrea Siegel).**
 - i. Discussion on the Morris Park BID took place as well as the empty stores.
10. Transportation – Vincent Prezioso
- a. Motion by Vincent Prezioso, Seconded by Edith Blitzer – To RECOMMEND APPROVAL of the following street activity permit application:
 - i. Coops Family Day; Block Party; Start Date 08/20/2016 at 12:00 PM; End Date: 08/20/2016 at 8:00 PM; cross streets: Barker Avenue between Allerton Avenue and Britton Street. **PASSED WITH 1 ABSTENTION WITH CAUSE (Janice Walcott).**
 - b. Motion by Vincent Prezioso, Seconded by Edith Blitzer – To RECOMMEND APPROVAL of the following street activity permit applications:
 - i. Tenbroeck Block Party 2016; Block Party; Start Date: 08/13/2016 at 12:00 PM; End Date: 08/13/2016 at 9:00 PM; cross streets: Tenbroeck Avenue Between Neill Avenue and Rhineland Avenue
 - ii. Fellowship Tabernacle Ministries; Religious Ceremony; start date: 08/24/2016 at 7:00 PM; End Date: 08/26/2016 at 10:00 PM; Cross Streets: East Gun Hill Road between Pearsall Avenue and Throop Avenue

- iii. Fun Day 4; Block Party; Start Date: 09/17/2016 at 11:00 AM; End Date: 09/17/2016 at 3:00 PM; cross streets: Pelham Parkway South between Hone Avenue and Bogart Avenue.
- iv. Haight Avenue Annual Block Party; Block Party; Start Date: 09/10/2016 at 1:00 PM; End Date: 09/10/2016 at 8:00 PM; cross streets: Haight Avenue between Rhineland Avenue and Neill Avenue.

UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.

- v. Motion by Vinny Prezioso, Seconded by Sandi Unger – To send a letter to DOT accepting the removal of parking spaces on the northern side of Stillwell Avenue between Ely Avenue and 1887 Stillwell Avenue. **UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.**

11. Land Use – Dom Schiano

- a. Motion by Dom Schiano, Seconded by Joe Bacote – To send an e-mail of NO OBJECTION to the NYC BSA (Board of Standards and Appeals) for Cal. No. 206-62-BZ III: 950 Allerton Avenue. **UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.**
- b. Motion by Dom Schiano, Seconded by Joe Bacote – To send an e-mail of NO OBJECTION to the NYC BSA for Cal. No. 949-57-BZ III: 2100 Williamsbridge Road. **UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.**
- c. Motion by Dom Schiano, Seconded by Joe Bacote – To send an e-mail of OBJECTION to the NYC Departments of Buildings and Finance for a proposed tax lot subdivision: 2061 Narragansett Avenue. **UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.**
- d. Motion by Dom Schiano, Seconded by Joe Bacote – To send an email of NO OBJECTION to the NYC Planning Department for ULURP # 160332ZMX: 1614 Williamsbridge Road. **PASSED WITH 2 ABSTENTIONS (Al D’Angelo and Andrea Siegel).**
- e. Discussion took place on 500-508 Van Nest Avenue.

12. Housing – Janice Walcott; minutes distributed.

13. Old Business

- a. David Leavitt requested a walk-through of the area Con Ed will tear up on Morris Park Avenue as part of ongoing gas-main replacements.
- b. Eli Rodriguez spoke about the barricades that are still on Morris Park and Yates Avenues.

14. New Business

- a. Linda White asked that a letter be sent regarding the arrival times of the Bx21 bus.

- b. Joe Thompson announced the next meeting of the 49th Precinct Council.
- c. Maria Provenzano spoke about the sale of Beth Abraham and Jeremy suggested that they meet with the Health Committee.
- D. Tony Vitaliano announced that Avril Francis and Andrea Siegel were being honored by the *Bronx Times*.

15. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

Minutes taken by Staff, edited and approved by Secretary David Leavitt.

Attendance

Number indicates total excused and unexcused absences at Full Board Meetings since July 1, 2015

Bacote, Joseph (2)	Patel, Dr. Mahendra (1)
Blitzer, Edith (5)	Pirtam, Shradhanand (0)
Burko, Ruth (4)	Prezioso, Vincent (6)
Campbell, Junior (0)	Provenzano, Maria (3)
Castro, Veronica (0)	Ramsey, Keith (5)
Charles, Patricia (1)	Raso, Matthew (2)
Conforto, Sal (7)	Rodriguez, Daisy (2)
D'Angelo, Albert (0)	Rodriguez, Eliezer (1)
Diaz, Edwin (4)	Rodriguez, Marnie (1)
Dolan, Patrick (4)	Russo-Rubino, Joanne (3)
Drayton, Arlene (2)	Sacewicz, Martin (3)
Ferrara, Bernadette (2)	Schiano, Dominick (0)
Figueroa, Harain (3)	Selkridge, Oral (4)
Francis, Avril (3)	Siegel, Andrea (0)
Fuchs, Rabbi Moshe (2)	Signorile, Tony (3)
Gelnick, Kenneth (1)	Squitieri, John (2)
Gross, Marcy (2)	Terrelonge, Joann (3)
Leavitt, David (2)	Thompson, Joseph (2)
Mazzella, Silvio (0)	Thurston, Joseph (4)
McManus, Joseph (3)	Unger, Sandra (0)
Monti, Danny (2)	Vitaliano, Anthony (1)
Morris, Martin (3)	Walcott, Janice (1)
Musto, Gabriella (0)	White, Linda (2)
Norris, Diane (5)	Zagreda, Frano (1)
Obeid, Yahay (0)	

Election Results

		<i>Chairperson Anthony Vitaliano</i>	<i>First Vice Chairperson Al D'Angelo</i>	<i>Secretary David Leavitt</i>
1	Bacote, Joseph	X	X	X
2	Blitzer, Edith	X	X	X
3	Burko, Ruth	Absent	Absent	Absent
4	Campbell, Junior	X	X	X
5	Castro, Veronica	X	X	X
6	Charles, Patricia	Absent	Absent	Absent
7	Conforto, Sal	Absent	Absent	Absent
8	D'Angelo, Albert	X	X	X
9	Diaz, Edwin	Absent	Absent	Absent
10	Drayton, Arlene	Absent	Absent	Absent
11	Dolan, Pat	X	X	X
12	Ferrara, Bernadette	X	X	X
13	Figueroa, Harain	X	X	X
14	Frances, Avril	Absent	Absent	Absent
15	Fuchs, Rabbi Moshe	X	X	X
16	Gelnick, Kenneth	X	X	X
17	Gross, Marcy	X	X	X
18	Leavitt, David	X	X	X
19	McManus, Joseph	Absent	Absent	Absent
20	Mazzella, Silvio	X	X	X
21	Monti, Danny	X	X	X
22	Morris, Martin	X	X	X
23	Musto, Gabriella	X	X	X
24	Norris, Diane	Absent	Absent	Absent
25	Obeid, Yahay	X	X	X
26	Patel, Dr. Mahendra	Abstain	Abstain	X
27	Pirtam, Shradhanand	X	X	X
28	Prezioso, Vincent	Rabbi Moshe Fuchs	Rabbi Moshe Fuchs	Rabbi Moshe Fuchs
29	Provenzano, Maria	X	X	X
30	Ramsey, Keith	Absent	Absent	Absent
31	Raso, Matthew	X	X	X
32	Rodriguez, Daisy	X	X	X
33	Rodriguez, Eliezer	X	X	X
34	Rodriguez, Marnie	Absent	Absent	Absent
35	Russo-Rubino, Joanne	X	X	X
36	Sacewicz, Martin	X	X	X
37	Schiano, Dominick	X	X	X
38	Selkridge, Oral	Absent	Absent	Absent

39	Siegel, Andrea	X	X	X
40	Signorile, Tony	X	X	X
41	Squitieri, John	X	X	X
42	Terrelonge, Joann	X	X	X
43	Thompson, Joseph	Abstain	X	Blanche Comras Rifkin
44	Thurston, Joseph	Absent	Absent	Absent
45	Unger, Sandra	X	X	X
46	Vitaliano, Anthony	X	X	X
47	Walcott, Janice	X	X	X
48	White, Linda	X	X	X
49	Zagreda, Frano	X	X	X