# Bronx Community Board #2



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## **Full Board Minutes**

Date: January 29, 2020

Time: 6:00 pm

Place: P.S75x: 984 Faile, Street Bronx, NY

#### Members present

Thelvis Alston Jr.
Evelyn Arauz
Paula Fields-Conyers
Luis Castillo
Roberto Crespo
Altagracia Cruz
Julia Cruz, LMSW
Sandra De Jesus
Alexandra Guadalupe
Yvonne Guillen
Thalia Simone Lindquist

Barbara Lopez
Roland Lopez
Luis Marrero
Edwin Martinez
Monique Minis
Rev Moses Oladosu
Lynette Olmo

Maggie Ortiz Stephanie Portillo Larry Robinson Sylvia Sanchez Richard Sherman Viancey Taveras

Maria Torres Marylean Wrotten John Udo Okun

## **Members absent**

Kevin Ellison
Jeffrey Korn
Mary Lean Wrotten
Sonya Fergurson
Jesse Harris
Shaquan Huntt
Nicholas Madio

#### **Excused**

Stephanie Cordero Cedric McClester

### **Community Board #2 Officers**

Roberto Crespo, Chairperson Julia Cruz, 1st Vice Chair Larry Robinson, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair Paula Fields- Conyers, Treasurer Yvonne Guillen, Secretary

## **FULL BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

DATE: Wednesday, January 29th, 2020

**TIME: 6:00 PM** 

PLACE: P.S75x: 984 Faile, Street Bronx, NY

#### Agenda

- I. PUBLIC SESSION: (Not to exceed 15 minutes 3 minutes per item; A maximum of 2 presenters per item)
  - Alexis Davila- (Cardinal Mckloskey)Foster care agency, they are currently looking for homes to place the children. Not enough homes for the amount of children the agency has, if anyone or knows anyone interested in becoming a foster parent contact the agency.
  - Stephen Curuco (DSNY Sanitation)-Plastic bag ban will begin on March 1st. He was in the community promoting the use of the reusable bags.
- Joyce Culler- Immigrant heritage event at Lincoln Hospital on February 14th, 2020

## COMMANDING OFFICER REPORT – (41st Precinct)

Sergeant Feng from the 41<sup>st</sup>, gave the report—discussed 28 day totals for crime stats. He mentioned that there was a safety concern at Hyde Leadership, a 15 year old was arrested for gun possession.

**BUSINESS SESSION: (BOARD MEMBERS)** 

A. Roll Call Ms. Yvonne Guillen, Secretary

Quorum was met - 27present, 8absent, 1excused

#### B. Adoption of Minutes

### Roberto Crespo, Board Chair

Barbara Lopez made a motion to adopt the minutes and second by Richard Sherman. Motion passed

#### C. Chairperson's Report

## Roberto Crespo, Board Chair

Mr. Chairperson mentioned the board members that were excused from either a committee or full board meeting last month. He mentioned Jefferey Korn was excused, Cedric Mcclester due to be being ill and Thalia Simone Lindquist. The chairperson also mentioned that there was a amendment proposed to change the bylaws. This will be discussed in February's meeting.

#### District Manager's Report

#### Rafael Acevedo

Ralph stated that his report began on page 21 and it was over 60 pages. It contains a lot of information if anyone had any questions to reach out to the office.

### **Elected Officials Report**

Council Member Salamanca- He was able to get a bill passed in which it requires developers to set aside 15% of units for homeless families.

Assembly member Marcos Crespo- Carolina Santos mentioned that the AM will be in session from Jan-July. Free tax preparation at the district office on March 11 from 11am-4pm. Slots are limited, please call the office to schedule your appointment.

Senator Luis Sepulveda –Nipa Royees spoke about the Bronx Delegation happening 1/30 at Lehman college. Nipa mentioned the Imagine School along DOE session on 1/30. Important session to talk about the future of our schools.

Bronx Borough President Ruben Diaz(Alexis)- The deadline to submit your reappointment is February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020. If anyone has not taken their sexual harassment training they will not be appointed. Please contact Alexis or your DM to schedule your training.

Council Member Diana Ayala- Gloria Cruz mentioned that the council member passed bill 1831, which will require each borough to have an office of accessibility. Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month the CM will have office hours from 12-3pm at 630 Southern Blvd(Bronx Works)

Public Advocate Jumaane Williams- Bryan Polanco introduced himself and provided his contact information. 212-669-7250 and his email address is <a href="mailto:bpolanco@advocate.nyc.gov">bpolanco@advocate.nyc.gov</a>

DA Darcel Clark- Tarik spoke about the new bail reform and the discovery reform law.

#### III. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Franchise, Licensing, & Permit Committee

Ms. Stephanie Portillo, Chairperson

- 1. A motion to write a letter of support to the New York State Liquor Authority for La Morena Restaurant located at 935 East 163rd, Bronx, NY 10459. Motion to approve was seconded by Richard Sherman and 1 abstention by Jeffery Korn. The motion passed.
- A motion to write a letter of support to the New York State Liquor Authority for Star Restaurant and Café
  Corp located at 1298 Westchester Ave, Bronx, NY 10459 Motion to approve was seconded by Larry
  Robinson. The motion passed.
  - A. Housing and Land Use Committee Mr. Nicholas Madio, Chairperson
  - B. Health & Human Services Committee Mr. Luis Marrero, Chairperson
  - C. Youth Services Committee Mr. Larry Robinson, Chairperson
  - D. Education Committee
    Mr. Cedric McClester, Co-chairperson & Yvonne Guillen Co-chairperson
  - E. Economic Development and Municipal Services Ms. Maria Torres, Chairperson
  - F. Environmental Committee Mr. Roland Lopez, Chairperson
  - G. Veterans Committee Mr. Dondi McKellar, Chairperson
  - H. Special Events Committee Mr Vee Taveras

#### **Old Business**

#### **New Business**

- 1. Executive Director Miles from the Bid introduced himself.
- 2. Edwin Martine mentioned that he attended the city planning meeting on 1/27/2020 and was dissapointed with the lack of diversity amongst the commissioners.

## VIII. Roll Call - Ms. Yvonne Guillen, Secretary

- Roll Call was conducted; 27present, 8absent, 1excused
- The meeting adjourned at 7:30PM