



THE CITY OF NEW YORK

BOROUGH OF THE BRONX

COMMUNITY BOARD 7



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PUBLIC SAFETY / QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, November 6, 2014 @ 6:30 PM

- I. Attendance sheet in file
 - A. Members in attendance include John Snider, Lynette Arroyo, Nilsa Cintron, Amjad Mujaahid, Carlos Gonzalez
 - B. Excused Members include Marcos Sierra
 - C. Non-Committee Members in attendance include Adaline Walker-Santiago, Barbara Stronczer, Lowell Green, Andrew Laiosa, Helene Hartman-Kutnowsky
 - D. Other Community Members and Agencies in attendance include 52nd Precinct Executive Officer, Community Affairs Officer Jeanette Rucker and Rene Aponte from the Bronx District Attorney's Office
- II. Location of Meeting
 - A. To accommodate the expected large number of community residents attending the meeting, the November Public Safety and Quality of Life Meeting was held at the Bedford Park Senior Center, located at 243 on E. 204th St.
- III. Topics Discussed:
 - A. The Police Officers from the 52nd Precinct shared crime stats with the board and took questions from the community board members regarding crime preventive programs measures and the status of new crime prevention equipment installation in the community
 - B. There was a very candid discussion about the recent shootings in community board 7
 - C. The issue of noise complaints was addressed
 - D. Block Watch is still actively recruiting community residents to serve as Block Watchers, all who are interested should contact the 52nd Precinct
 - E. Jeannette Rucker and Rene Aponte, Deputy Bronx District Attorneys, shared a great deal of information regarding the process of filing a criminal case and what it takes to charge a person with a crime. Community members were encouraged to step forth and bear witness to crimes that they see taking place in the community. In addition, The DA's office shared with the community board a number of workshops that they have available to the public to help them better understand the legal system from criminal processing to mock court proceeding and what it means to be a juror
- IV. Plan of Action:
 - A. The Committee will invite the Bronx DA's to a Public Safety and Quality of Life Meeting in 2015
 - B. The Public Safety / Quality of Life Committee will continue to follow up with the 52nd Precinct on the outcome of the recent shootings and noise complaints
- V. Next meeting will be held on December 4, 2014
- VI. Meeting adjourned