

## THE CITY OF NEW YORK BOROUGH OF THE BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD 7



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## PUBLIC SAFETY / QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, February 6, 2018 @ 6:30 PM

- I) Welcome and Acknowledgements of Attendees
  - A) Committee members in attendance
    - 1) Monique Weston
    - 2) Carmen Miranda
    - 3) Yajaira Arias
- II) Guest Speaker(s):
  - A) Officer Frank Pacella, Crime Prevention 52nd Pct.
  - B) NYPD 52<sup>nd</sup> Pct. NCO's
  - C) Adam Lessuck, Bronx, Borough Manager/Military Outreach Coordinator, Office of Community Affairs
  - D) FDNY, Fire Fighter, Nick Calabro
  - E) Maximo Javier, Bronx District Manager, Congressman Adriano Espaillat
- III) Police Report
  - A) There is a spike in car break-ins and in some cases rims and tires are being stolen. Officers advised that you do not leave valuables displayed in your vehicles. General areas of concern.
    - 1) Areas around Williams bridge Oval
    - 2) Areas around Lehman College/Harris Field
    - 3) 205 and Paul Avenue
    - 4) Areas around BCC Hall of Fame Terrace and Andrews Ave
    - 5) East Mosholu Pkwy N and S
  - A) Thefts usually occur in areas that are considered "quiet" and not well lit. Also, if there are no cameras in the area, individuals tend to like these places.
    - 1) Preventative measures should be:
      - (a) Try to park in well-lit areas
      - (b) Lock doors, don't leave keys in car
      - (c) Hide valuables in the trunk or glove compartment (don't leave them in plain sight) when possible, bring items into home/office.
        - i. The Auto Crimes unit is actively investigating
  - IV) FDNY Fire Safety
    - A) Adam Lessuck & Fire Fighter Nick Calabro
      - 1) Winter is fire season; you can get smoke detectors installed for free with the American Red Cross.
        - (a) In March, FDNY will give out free batteries for smoke alarms.



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- (b) Working alarms are the most critical component of your escape plan.
- (c) Make sure your alarm is approved by Underwriters Laboratories (look for the UL mark).
- (d) Have an Escape plan and Practice it.
- (e) Know if you live in a fire proof or Non- Fireproof Building
- (f) Electrical Safety
- V) Adjournment Get copy of Fire Safety information located in the back of the room.