

Community Board #4 Regular Monthly Meeting
Wednesday, September 17, 2014
Hope Gardens Multi Service Center
195 Linden Street (corner of Wilson Avenue)
Brooklyn, New York 11221
6:00PM

The Chairperson, Ms. Julie Dent, welcome all in attendance to the Community Board #4's Wednesday, September 17, 2014 monthly board meeting at 6:35PM.

-Public Hearing Items-

NYC Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA) – Richard O'Hara

Mr. O'Hara has been with the agency for over 27 years and he stated that the agency is going through a lot of reforms. Since May 5th with the new Commissioner, Ms. Julie Menin they have been more into an education mode with the small businesses. Instead of going out and issuing violations in large amount to accounts they are actually reducing the amount of violations that they are issuing and this also reduces the accounts that they have issued violations too, which in effect really reduces the amount of fines that a small business would receive.

The Cure Law went into effect June 30, 2014 which means businesses can correct many first-time, signage violations. When a business receives its first "curable" violation, it will have 30 days to correct the violation and avoid paying a fine. If the violation is corrected it will stay on the account but the monetary penalty will be dismissed.

Additional Warnings: Going beyond the Cure Law, DCA will issue warnings instead of violations for additional violations not covered by the law such as not having the DCA license number on all printed materials (except for electronics stores) and not stating the reason for the range of price variations on a price list.

The Cure Law is just for signage violations at this time.

Paid Sick Leave: Businesses that have 5 or more employees need to provide paid sick leave to their employees that work 80 plus hours a calendar year.

If the employer has less than 4 employees you are still allowed sick leave but without pay. Those employees must also work 80 plus hours a calendar year.

Questions on these issues can be directed to Mr. O'Hara at 212-466-5426 or oharar@dca.nyc.gov.

The Chairperson concluded the public agenda and thanked the NYC Department of Consumer Affairs for giving their presentation to the Community and board.

Chairperson Dent asked Captain Tolentino, the serving Commanding Officer at the 83rd Pct. to say a few words.

Captain Max Tolentino, 83rd Precinct: Started his career in 1986 at the 28th Pct. in Harlem. He served there for 6 years and in 1992 he made Sergeant, he then was invited to go to the 90th Pct. in Williamsburg. He served there for a couple of years and then was selected to go downtown to run the bicycle program which was in its beginning stages. He did a lot of its purchasing, the written directives for the program, develop the funds and work with the police foundation, spending the money and the distribution of the equipment, etc. In 2000 he was promoted to lieutenant and served in the Corona, Jackson Heights section of Queens. He worked on the 311 system and worked with the Dept. of Technology with the City's DOITT to set the policy and that policy is still in place today.

In 2007 he made Captain and was sent to 111th Pct. out towards Long Island, he served there for 8 months, then he was sent back to the Jackson Heights section on the opposite side of the 115th Pct. He was then sent back downtown to work on a project with the Customer Support Unit for members of service in the field. He served as the Commanding Officer at the 84th Pct. for 18 months, then when he was getting comfortable he was sent to the 83rd Precinct where he is now serving.

He is very happy to be here, his brother served at the 83rd Precinct in 1981 and he always spoke highly of Bushwick. The reception that he has received has been overwhelming.

He feels that in working together with the other agencies we will work well with the issues that we are faced. The Precinct is in a very good place as far as crime reduction is concern. There is an issue with burglaries, mostly due to the construction that is being done in the area which allows an opportunity for appliances and tools to be stolen. Burglaries are also due to people forgetting to lock their doors and windows.

He noticed that there are bike riders going the wrong way and this is dangerous to our children as they go to school and to pedestrians as they cross the streets. Going forward this is one of the things he will address as a problem.

He will also work on the graffiti issues. He met with the Clergy Council and he will be looking to make improvements.

The Chairperson Ms. Dent thanked the Captain for his words and welcomed him to Bushwick and stated that they are looking forward in working with him.

The Chairperson Ms. Julie Dent welcomed the New York City's Comptroller Mr. Scott M. Stringer and asked him to say a few words to the audience.

Mr. Scott M. Stringer, NYC Comptroller: Stated that he was glad to be here in Bushwick tonight. Mr. Stringer believes that the Community Board is the anchor of the community. The Community Board is where the community come together to talk about community issues.

The Stringer has been the Comptroller for New York City for 9 months now. He stated that pension checks are going out and stated that the city has a strong financial foundation.

His job as CFO of the city is to watch the books but also to do 2 other things:

- 1) Work with the Mayor to make sure that we can build affordable housing
- 2) Fight for expanded Pre-K

And in doing so they have to work together as a team.

At the same while he is working with the City of Administration he is also the Auditors in Chief, so sometimes he has to call it the way that he see it. He has to be independent, because he has to make sure that he monitors city agencies, saving tax payers money and he also have to think about broad economic policies to lift everybody up.

On January 2nd when he took office the first thing he did was to engage with NYCHA in a full on top to bottom audit. This was needed in order to figure out what is going on inside the administration so that he can really see what is going on in order to protect the 600,000 people that live in public housing.

- 1) Despite years of economic prosperity and real estate appreciation, housing maintenance conditions have worsened, especially at New York City Housing Authority buildings, potentially putting the health and safety of residents at risks, according to a new analysis "How New York Lives" was released.

Housing conditions at NYCHA have become a list of tenant frustration, there is a 940% increase of broken windows and our children have been growing up in apartments where there have been an increase of mode and a lack of repairs.

As Comptroller Mr. Stringer promises that we are going to work very hard through the audit power and through the work that we do looking through the economy and the city to preserve and protect NYCHA.

2) Economy: What is our economy going to look like going forward and who will be able to participate in this economy?

There will be a conference in a couple of weeks and we have to change the way people look at work and how big corporations look at how people go to work every day.

For many years the labor movement stated that we need to have eight hours of work, and eight hours of sleep and eight hours for other things. That is how we have guided the country and this city. However today the world is changing. Flexibility is needed, perhaps going or coming to work a little later or earlier is needed in order to take care of your family. We have seen too many women leave the work force in order to take care of their families and because of changing conditions at home. Men do not leave the work force but women do at the top of their careers.

We need a flextime program in corporations and in city agencies if we are going to change the paradigm in this City.

A lot of families struggle with work and life balances.

3) He views his job as the person who ask tough questions. Through the Audit and Investigation power we have the obligation to hold the City to its highest standard. The standard is not always about the "I gotcha you", audit for example you did not have the enough paper clips or someone took the yellow pad we are thinking about the economic policies and what should they look like and what should be changed.

We have taught our children to pass the test, we need to teach our kids about a job that leads to a real career. We need science teachers, art teachers, they have to be trained for high tech jobs, etc. In the past there was always a grandmother or grandfather or a mother and a father who would lift you up and helped our kids stay out of trouble. We need to go back to that!!! We have to protect our children and also protect our neighborhoods, the new residents and the old residents, that is how we are going to survive.

He is looking forward to keeping New York, New York.

Ms. Julie Dent thanked Mr. Stringer for sharing with the board what he is working on and what he has accomplished in just 9 months as City Comptroller. She stated that they are proud of him and that she knows that he will continue to do great things as NYC Comptroller.

Roll Call: 7:20PM 37 members present constituting a quorum

The Chairperson, Ms. Julie Dent welcomed all to the September 17th, 2014 Brooklyn Community Board #4 Meeting. This is the first meeting of the fall 2014-2015 season. It is her pleasure to serve as the chairperson, stated Ms. Dent.

Ms. Dent asked for the acceptance of the agenda with any necessary corrections. Ms. Virgie Jones moved to accept the agenda as written. It was second by Ms. Sharline Moore. All board members present were in favor.

The acceptance for the previous month's minutes with any necessary corrections was accepted by Ms. Gladys Puglla and second by Ms. Barbara Smith. All members present were in favor.

Chairperson's Report, Ms. Julie Dent: 7:23PM

Ms. Dent asked that the Elected Officials and /or their representatives to introduce themselves and state their respective address and telephone numbers.

1) Kevin Worthington Representing NYC 34th Councilmember Antonio Reynoso, 244 Union Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11206, 718-963-3141

- 2) Celeste Leon Representing NYC 37th Council Member Rafael L. Espinal, 786 Knickerbocker Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11207, 718-642-8664
- 3) Yanuski Rodriguez Representing Kings County District Attorney Kenneth P. Thompson, 350 Jay Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201, 718-250-2565
- 4) Kevin Wolfe Representing Brooklyn Borough President Eric Adams, 209 Joralemon Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201, 718-802-3700

Representative from City, State or Federal Agencies:

- 1) Captain Max Tolentino, 83rd Pct. Commanding Officer, 480 Knickerbocker Avenue, 718-574-1697
- 2) Det. D. Franco & PO N. Robinson, 83rd Community Affairs Unit, 480 Knickerbocker Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11237, 718-574-1697
- 3) Maggie Mangual – Wyckoff Heights Medical Center -Positive Health Management Program, 342 Stanhope Street, Prevention Health Manager, 718-508-4669, mmangual@wyckoffhospital.org
- 4) Boniface WeWe, Brooklyn Public Library, Washington Irving Branch, 360 Irving Avenue, 718-682-7387
- 5) Hector Cruzado, Wyckoff Heights Medical Center, 374 Stockholm Street, Brooklyn, NY 11237, 718-509-3113

The Committee Chairpersons for the 2014-2015 season:

- 1) Elvena Davis – Civic and Religious Committee (CRC)
- 2) Eliseo Ruiz – Environmental/Protection/Transportation Committee (EPT)
- 3) Mary McClellan – Health, Hospital & Human Services Committee (HHH)
- 4) Martha Brown – Housing and Land Use Committee (HLU)
- 5) Robert Camacho – Parks and Recreation Committee (PRC)
- 6) Barbara Smith – Public Safety Committee (PSC)
- 7) Raul Rubio – Sanitation Committee (SAN)
- 8) Luisa Jose – Senior Citizen Committee (SCC)
- 9) Virgie Jones – Youth and Education Committee (YEC)

L.I.F.E. (Labor and Industry for Education) Audrey Johnson Learning Center, 272 Moffat Street (between Knickerbocker and Wilson Avenues) and the John Coker Early Learn Center, 1375 Bushwick Avenue (corner of Decatur Street) are enrolling children 3 to 5 years of age. Free HEADSTART and U.P.K., Creative Curriculum, Nutritious Meals, Family Services and Certified Teachers, etc. Audrey Johnson Learning Center: 718-574-0130; John Coker Early Learn Center: 718-452-1414

District Manager's Report, Ms. Nadine Whitted: 7:32PM

Ms. Whitted welcomed everyone back from their summer recess. Ms. Whitted and her staff in working in collaboration with the NYC Office of the Mayor's Street Activity Permit Office and the 83rd NYPD Community Affairs Office processed and approved a total of 76 request for block parties, street fairs and religious ceremonies. Working together is the only way to accomplish this work without confusion and mayhem.

June Happening

The Rent Guidelines Board

- Voted in favor of historically low rent increases for rent stabilizing apartments. As of October 1, 2014 the following increases will take place.
- For a 1 year renewal lease commencing for rent October 1, 2014 and on or before September 30, 2015: 1.0%
- For a 2 year renewal lease commencing on or after October 1, 2014 and on or before September 30, 2015: 2.75%
- Sublet allowance of 10%

- The RGB's statutory vacancy increases will remain in effect

The 1% increase is the lowest rent increase for 1-year leases in the city's history.

MESA-Regents results are in!!! These include both the Integrated Algebra Regents Exam and the Living Environment (Biology)

88% of MESA students passed Living Environment, and 94% passed Algebra. The students with disabilities and the English Language Learners students also significantly outperformed the district schools.

National Grid Construction Notification

Planned Construction in district: This work is required due to the pending replacement of existing municipal facilities (i.e., water, sewer, catch basin, sidewalks, etc.)

Locations: Wilson Avenue between Cornelia Street and Putnam Avenue – (60) sixty day
Duration Palmetto Street from Irving to Myrtle Avenues, (90) ninety day duration.

July Happenings

NYC Department of Transportation implemented the Myrtle Avenue/Wyckoff Avenue/Palmetto Street Improvements which includes:

- shorten crossing distances and align skewed streets
 - crossings
 - Avenue.
 - reduce pedestrian-vehicle conflicts and improve intersection operation.
 - more time to cross the street
- Installing five painted curb extension to
 - Installing wide, high-visibility crosswalks at all
 - Installing a new crosswalk across Myrtle
 - Restricting five low-volume turns to
 - Modifying the signal timing to give pedestrians

FDNY Reports – Fires that occurred during the month of July

1102 Putnam Avenue – 3 story vacant building, fire on the 1st and 2nd floors
586 Wilson Avenue – 3 story occupied multiple dwelling
390 Wilson Avenue – 3 story occupied multiple dwelling
366 Central Avenue – 3 story multiple dwelling
1271 Broadway – 4 story mixed used building
1149 Putnam Avenue – 6 story multiple dwelling building

SNAP / Food Stamp Program Under-Enrollment

Beginning in September 2014 the NY Benefits Center and HRA will help low income seniors (60 and older) overcome the many barriers to access and increase SNAP participation for eligible Seniors. SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program/Food Stamps)

Call the NY Benefits Center if:

- * You are a New York City resident and you are 60 years of age or older
- * You have a household income of less than \$32,000 per year
- * You are not already on SNAP (food stamps) to help you pay for our groceries

Why should you call the NY Benefits Center?

- * The NY Benefits Center makes it easy to apply in one phone call for SNAP
- * Their caring specialists will take the time to help you through the application process

Contact the Benefits Center to see if you are eligible at their call toll free: 1-800-829-7005
Monday – Friday, 9am to 5pm

Social Security Office Re-Opening – The Bushwick Social Security Office located at 1111 Myrtle Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11206 re-opened on July 16, 2014

August Happenings

NYPD – Captain Max Tolentino – The newly assigned Commanding Officer at the 83rd Precinct
DSNY – Troy Tamburo – The newly assigned District Superintendent at DSNY BK4

FDNY Reports – Fires that occurred during the month of August

1102 Putnam Avenue – 3 story vacant building
74 Aberdeen Street – 3 story occupied
1188 Greene Avenue – 3 story occupied
1143 Greene Avenue – 3 story under construction
166 Wyckoff Avenue – 3 story occupied multiple dwelling building

Congressman Hakeem Jefferies: Hosted a meeting where Brooklyn District Attorney Ken Thompson spoke to Community Board Chairs, District Managers, and Public Safety Chairpersons. on the focus on the DA Office: shootings, drugs, domestic violence and gun violence are priorities.

Newly established Crime Strategy Unit: Targeted approach on young men responsible for shootings which is the drivers of crime according to the DA. Special attention on young men responsible for shootings in the following NYPD Precincts: 67, 73, & 75

Town Hall Meeting:

A monumental feat took place on Thursday, August 21, 2014. NYC Council Members Reynoso And Espinal in conjunction with Community Board #4 and the Department of City Planning held the BUSHWICK REZONING TOWN HALL MEETING – a conversation about the future of Bushwick. Residents and stakeholder came together to discuss:

- How do we preserve the historic character of the community, and how do we preserve affordable housing?
- How do we create more opportunities for affordable housing, what transportation improvements do we need, how can we retain and attract new jobs, how can we improve and expand green space.

The meeting was held at Saint Joseph on Willoughby Street. The Planning Committee will meet shortly to discuss and analyze the data from the first meeting and plan future sessions where all will be invited.

NYC – Department of Parks & Recreation:

Heckscher Playground and Green Central Noll Ball Field – Received money and community support to get the scope underway for an enhance facility. Through the Brooklyn Borough President Eric Adams, NYC Council Member Reynoso and Espinal, local community support of EBC and Brooklyn Ballers, Community Board #4 will received a scope of which will be approve for rest room facility (GCK) basketball courts, exercising for seniors, lighting etc.

The Voter Education Program of NYC Campaign Finance Board – Under the NYC Charter Sections 1056 and 1057a the Community Boards along with 18 other City Agencies are required to implement and administer a voter registration/education program. When the board's office receive the registration forms we will be required to assist the public with the proper filling out of the voter registration forms.

Sixteen year old can now serve on Community Boards. S.4141-2013(same as A.2448-2013) was signed into law by the governor on AUGUST 12TH. Effective that date the minimum age for serving on Community Board members has been lowered to age 16. Per the legislation, only two members may serve at a time.

Brooklyn Arts Council alongside Xmental Inc., seeks artists of varying styles to collaborate on “The Halsey Street Dream Way Collaborative Mural”. The chosen artist will be allotted a 20’ x 15’ Workshop on the expansive 300’x40’ wall near the L Train at Halsey Street in Bushwick. All Material and ladder fees are included in the \$500.00 honorarium per artist provided at the onset of the project.

Interested muralists must live in Brooklyn and submit an original, full –color rendering of their final Mural design to Brooklyn Arts Council at 55 Washington Street, Suite 218, Brooklyn, NY 11201. All Rendering should be no smaller than 11”x14” and arrived at the office no later than 12pm on Friday, September 19th.

United States Census Bureau New York Regional Office is offering free data access workshops and webinars to all data users and organizations within New England, New York, New Jersey and Puerto Rico. Whether you are looking for a general statistical overview of your community or a detailed look within your area, and how they compare statistically to other area, this is a great opportunity for you. A customize workshop can be tailored for you at your request. William Adams is the contact person for the NYC area, you can contact him at William.w.adams@census.gov.

Fall Street Tree Planting Locations – Beginning October 15, 2014 to January 31, 2015 (weather Permitting) the Million TreesNYC /NYC Parks Program will commence planting. The list of addresses can be found on the Million TreesNYC website:

<https://www.milliontreesnyc.org/html/about/getting/parks.shstml>

Please note:

- 1) The list is pending assessment of underlying utilities; there is no guarantee that every site on the list will be planted this fall season or that they will necessarily be planted at all.
- 2) Since street tree planting occur on public right-of-way, nearby homeowners may not reject planting at any such location.
- 3) Repeat addresses indicate that Parks intends to plant multiple trees adjacent to a single address.

Con Edison

Con Edison will pay 100% of the cost for energy efficiency upgrades at small businesses in certain Brooklyn & Queens neighborhoods. The program covers lighting, controls for walk-in-refrigerators and other measures.

The neighborhoods in Brooklyn include parts of Greenpoint, East Williamsburg, Bushwick, Bedford-Stuyvesant, Crown Heights, East Flatbush, Brownsville, and East New York. For small businesses in other areas, Con Edison will cover 70% of the costs of energy efficiency measures. Businesses are encouraged to take advantage of this special opportunity while incentives last.

Call Con Edison’s Green Team at 1-877-870-6118 to see what incentive amount you qualify for.

The Salvation Army Bushwick Worship and Community Center – 1151 Bushwick Avenue Christmas Assistance Program 2014: Offers toys and clothing to families who meet the income qualifications. Applications are being accepted from September 2 to October 5, 2014. Every Wednesday, 10:00am to Noon. Appointments can be arranged for another day by calling Pablo Tavarez at 718-455-4102 ext. 107

The Bushwick Community has been chosen by Vogue Magazine as the “7th Coolest/Hippest Place in the World to Live”!!!

Channel 2 News called comments on the article: “My response was, “We didn’t need Vogue Magazine to tell us that we are hip or cool. We’ve always been hip and cool, even before the neighborhood became gentrified.”

Brooklyn Borough President, Eric Adams - Has released the document entitled: Brooklyn Topographical Bureau. The primary responsibility is to maintain the Borough Map and furnish copies of the map and related data to City Agencies and the public. You can read more on the specific tasks of this Bureau.

Bushwick Film Festival (BFF) – 7th Annual Bushwick Film Festival will be held on October 2-5, 2014. Bushwick Film Festival that views filmmakers as heroic revolutionaries that fight against Great odds to tell their stories, screening their works of the most promising, emerging filmmakers of today. The programming team has selected films that span the globe. Contact Kweighbaye Kottee at kkottee@bushwickfilmfestival.com

Let’s wage war against relators who leave our community littered with their advertising. Each day we are faced with our sidewalks, yards and fences littered by requests to **Purchase Property**. This annoyance has to STOP. Let’s wage a war by collecting all of these advertisements and then turn it over to the Department of Sanitation for appropriate action.

Announcements: 8:04PM

Chad Howe: People’s Climate March: “To Change Everything We Need Everyone”, March to save the World NYC on September 21, 2014 at Columbus Circle starting at 11:30AM for more information visit www.PeoplesClimateMarch.org

Bushwick Film Festival invites you to the screening of “David & Me”, Saturday October 4, 2014 at 5:30PM to 7:30PM. Location: 1115 Flushing Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11237 “David & Me” delves into the controversy of wrongfully accused prison inmates and the injustice that plagues them. Davis McCallum, was wrongfully convicted 19 years ago, he is a Bushwick native and is still fighting for his freedom. For more information visit www.bushwickfilmfestival.com

National Voter Registration Day - Tuesday, September 23, 2014
Registration Opens at 10am to 2pm at the Columbus Park (Back Steps of Borough Hall).
Register to vote, change your voter registration information, and get information about Candidates in your district. Also raffles, music and giveaways

Ellen Mehling, Brooklyn Public Library, Brooklyn Youth Section – Building Character in Young Women Ages 13-18 years old.

Join the Brooklyn Youth Section every 3rd Saturday from 1:30pm-3:30pm
790 Bushwick Avenue at Dekalb Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11221

Learning how to overcome obstacles while providing public service throughout the community through the mentoring of young women.

Resume & Career One-on-One Help, September 2014

Work on your resume, get education and career advice, learn interview skills, practice LinkedIn, and more with help from a job information resource librarian. Patrons will be seen on a first come, first served basis. It’s FREE!!!

Thursday 9/4, 9/11 & 9/25 from 11am to 1pm at the Dekalb Library, 790 Bushwick Avenue, 718-455-3898

Kenneth P. Thompson, Kings County District Attorney: Do you have a public safety or quality of Life concern in your community? If so, please visit or call the Action Center, 350 Jay Street, 16th Fl., Brooklyn, NY 11201

September is National Yoga Month – Celebrate with Brooklyn Borough President Eric L. Adams on Wednesday, September 24, 2014. Location: Borough Hall Plaza, 209 Joralemon Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201

Yoga mats will be available on a first come, first serve basis. Arts & crafts from 11am to 3pm; MassBliss yoga with Andrew 12pm to 12:50pm; Zumba from 1:15pm to 1:45pm and Guided Meditation from 1:45pm to 2:12pm weather permitting

New York City Comptroller Scott M. Stringer cordially invites you to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month on Tuesday, September 23, 2014 at 6PM to 8PM. Location: Surrogate's Courthouse, 31 Chambers Street, New York, NY 10007

To RSVP email: rsvp@comptroller.nyc.gov or call 212-669-4466, to arrange for special

New York City Comptroller Scott M. Stringer cordially invites you attend Families and Flexibility Reshaping the workplace for the 21st Century. Keynote address by Anne-Marie Slaughter, President & CEO, New America

If we want to remain a global economic power, we must support policies that see family and work as Complementary, rather than competing interests. Join New York City Comptroller Scott M. Stringer, New America President & CEO Anne-Marie Slaughter and the New York Times' Steven Greenhouse & Rachel Swarns for a forum on workplace flexibility and scheduling issues this fall.

Monday, September 29, 2014 at 8:30am to 12:00pm at Baruch College/CUNY, Newman Conference Center, 151 East 25th Street, 7th Floor, New York, NY 10016

To RSVP email: conference@comptroller.nyc.gov or call 212-669-4466

FREE Immigration Services Fridays 10:00am to 5:00pm

Location: New York City Council Member Rafael L. Espinal Jr.'s District Office, 786 Knickerbocker Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11207, 718-642-8664

Please call to make an appointment and get free help with your immigration questions related to Naturalization and Deferred Action for Children Arrivals. All services are free and confidential and open to any member of the community. Services will be available through June 30th, 2015.

Brandon Zwagerman: Silent Barn presents on Display from: September 21 to October 5, 2014 The Maldives Exodus Caravan Show. Curated by Soren Dahlggaard & supported by Babycastles. Opening Ceremony: September 21, 3:00pm to 7:30pm. The Silent Barn, 603 Bushwick Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11206

Rewards up to \$2,000!! You don't have to reveal your identity to help solve a violent crime. Crime Stoppers, call 1-800-577-TIPS

When you phone in tip they will not ask your name. But if it leads to the arrest and indictment of a felon, you will received a cash reward of up to \$2,000. And because you pick it up by a code system, you will not even have to give your name to claim it.

Community Crime Prevention Notice!!! There have been several burglaries reported in the area. Please try to keep all windows and doors secured. Pay attention to fire escape windows and front doors and roof hatches. If you see a suspicious person (s) on your neighbors roof or fire escape get a good description of the individuals (s) and report it to 911 immediately!!!

The NYPD is offering FREE security assessments of your home or apartment. Doors, locks, and windows will be examined and recommendations will be made to help you maintain a high level of

security. For more information call 718-574-1688

The District Manager, Ms. Whitted thanked the Hope Gardens Multi Service Center for allowing Community Board #4 host their meetings at their facility.

2nd Roll Call: Meeting adjourned 8:25PM