

MONTHLY MEETING
MANHATTAN COMMUNITY BOARD 1
MINUTES MONTHLY MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2017
SOUTH STREET SEAPORT MUSEUM
MELVILLE GALLERY, 230 WATER STREET

Anthony Notaro, Jr., Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

I. Public Session

- Maryam Abdul - Assembly Member Glick's office
 - Advocating for more new school seats
 - Met with DOT regarding the congested condition of many streets in lower Manhattan.

- Laurence Hong – Assembly Member Yuh-Line Niou's office – Laurence is the Deputy Chief of Staff as well as the CB1 Liaison.
 - Assembly Member Niou has been working on the state budget. A full report is available on the flyer in the back. She helped prevent cuts to Naturally Occurring Retirement Communities (NORCs).
 - School Overcrowding Taskforce meeting tentatively scheduled for the last week of April and the Assembly Member will serve as chair.
 - Supporting legislation to raise the age for non-violent youth offenders from 16 to 18; those above the age of 18 would be tried as adults.

- Jenna Jaffe - Congressman Nadler's office
 - Rep. Nadler believes it was illegal for President Trump to use military force against Syria without consulting Congress.
 - The Congressman will reintroduce the Tax Equity act to require tax brackets to reflect the cost of living in major metropolitan areas.
 - \$1million grant has been awarded to the National Endowment for the Arts, CUNY Research, Historical Society, and NYU.

- Wilson Thomas III from Public Advocate Letitia James office –
 - The Public Advocate encourages participation by communities and asks that you stay involved.
 - Was outspoken on the Bill O'Reilly controversy and is happy that he is out.

- Eric Mayo - State Senator Daniel Squadron's Office – See the community report for details.
 - The Senator co-signed with other elected officials a letter to the Governor supporting the appointment of residents of Community District 1 to the Battery Park City Authority board. With the resignation of Martha Gallo, there are now more empty seats and no local representation at all.

- Thank you to those who attended the Senator's annual Community Convention on April 23rd from 2pm to 5pm at Stuyvesant HS. This year's turnout was the largest crowd in the last nine years – approximately 400 people.
 - Please see the newsletters in the back.
- William Roka – Seaport Museum – Welcome and thank you for coming out on a rainy evening. Please come and visit the Museum, especially next weekend for its 50th anniversary.
- Ranger Jim – National Parks Service and Federal Hall - Please visit Castle Clinton, Federal Hall, and all the area's National Parks, including the African Burial Grounds. This month's activities commemorate the 225th anniversary of George Washington's inauguration and other historic activities involving the first President. Flyers available at the back of the room.
- Bob Townley – Manhattan Youth – Developing series of forums on Cyberbullying; the first one scheduled at MY filled up in 15 minutes. Stay tuned for more to come. Please reach out to Bob to get on the list.
- Roxanne Earley – Council Member Chin's office
 - Also signed on to letter asking for local representation on the BPCA Board.
 - Meeting tomorrow on Oversight of Resiliency and the NYC Infrastructure.
 - Made an urgent call for action in the wake of the daylight shootings involving ticket sellers at the Battery. Something must be done to address the dangerous situation there.
 - Please see the newsletters in the back.
- Andrew Chang from Manhattan Borough President's office
 - Borough President Brewer is working on the CB member appointments. They should be done soon.
 - Working hard to keep the Garment Center in the Garment District and not move it to another borough.
Working with CB1 to ensure that any resiliency plans created or being considered by BPCA for BPC and Wagner Park are consistent with the work done by the Lower Manhattan Coastal Resiliency Taskforce. The MBP is looking to ensure they are responsive and inclusive of residents' needs and concerns as a priority.
 - The BP sent a letter to NYC Parks Department supporting CB1 efforts regarding the redesign of Peck Slip.
 - Denim Day rally is tomorrow in Foley Square to highlight the problem of sexual assault.
- Graeme Birchall – Downtown Boathouse at Pier 26
 - New kayaks will be added this year.
 - Hosting the next CB1 board meeting in May.
 - The water is cold right now –visit the boat house but don't go swimming.

- Meg Reilly – North Cove Sailing
 - New sailing school is opening this season.
 - Community sailing is available every weekend.
 - BPC Residents get 10% off all services; other discounts are available for CD1 residents.
 - There will be community sailing, a club, summer camp, activities.
 - Check out the website www.northcovesailing.com

- James Kaplan – President of Lower Manhattan Historical Association - July 4th parade and celebrations. Parade will be at Federal Hall, Broad Street, Evacuation Day Plaza and the Seaport. Will bestow the 2nd Annual Alexander Hamilton Achievement Award for those born outside of the US and have been successful here.

- Mary Perillo – WTC Health Program – Victims Compensation Fund is now open until 2020 and it is easier to apply and new staff and an enhanced process have improved the experience. New fact sheets in the back of the room.

- Group re: 17 John Street liquor license – David Pashman (71 Nassau resident) and Amanda Timchak (130 Fulton Street). We urge you to consider the impacts to quality of life in the neighborhood. We are requesting:
 - Limit hours of assembly
 - No amplified music
 - Limit the numbers allowed to assemble
 - Requesting it be a no smoking zone
 - Limit the hours of bar service
 - Asking CB1 to focus on the families that live there and the residents who work from home and live in the neighboring buildings
 - Make reasonably narrow recommendations to the SLA
 - More than 40 people showed up to support the resolution with more narrowing of the terms.

- Captain Jonathan Boulware, President, The South Street Seaport Museum
 - About to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the creation of the museum.
 - Neighborhood is over 100 years old.
 - Many of the buildings are re-purposed, such as the gallery that used to be a storage warehouse.
 - Saturday at Pier 16 there will be a bell ringing ceremony aboard the Ambrose Light ship to celebrate the anniversary.

II. **Business Session**

- A) Adoption of March 2017 minutes – adopted unanimously as presented.

- B) District Manager’s Report – N. Pfefferblit
 - a. The CB1 office is updating our website in accordance with guidelines from the City’s Department of Information Technology and Telecommunications to give it a more

current look with more visual elements and less text on the pages. It is expected that the new site will be ready within the next several months.

b. Most of the budget for the current fiscal year will be spent prior to the end of the fiscal year. There is a small surplus at this time and plans are being made to spend it.

c. CB1 Tote bags are being handed out tonight.

C) Treasurer's Report – J. Kopel

a. New chairs for the office were purchased.

b. Spent some surplus funds on tote bags.

c. A bit less money is being spent on temporary services which will come in under budget

d. We should be on target this year.

D) Chairperson's Report – A. Notaro

a. The full Chairperson's report is available at the following link on the CB1 website: http://www.nyc.gov/html/mancb1/html/archives/chairpersons_report.shtml

A few highlights:

b. We completed our first month of our new committee structure – thank you to all the staff and members. It was a great month and we will have to tweak some task forces and committees as we go forward and look at the changeover. Will be developing strategic goals instead of being reactive.

c. Livability index to be created that will help us develop our strategic plan.

d. New Website

e. Training

i. Conflict of Interest

ii. Resolution Writing

iii. Parliamentary Procedures

iv. Land Use

f. We honor Linda Belfer for her 25+ years of distinguished and dedicated service to the community. Her death is a great loss for all CB1. She fought hard for the needs of the community.

III. **Election of Nominating Committee**

A. Notaro, Jr.

1) Distribution of ballots with voting to remain open for one hour

2) Nominations from the floor for Nominating Committee – The Nominating Committee was unopposed and the Secretary cast a single ballot as requested to elect the following members unanimously:

Susan Cole

Mitch Frohman

Mariama James

Keith Markel

Reggie Thomas

IV. **Committee Reports**

A) **Youth & Education Committee**

T. Joyce

- 1) Edgar/Trinity Working Group – Resolution passed by a roll call vote of 31 in favor, 1 opposed, 1 abstained and 1 recused
- 2) Millennium HS Preference, Past and Present, and walk-through at PS 234 – Report
 - a. Due to its popularity, the minimum requirements have increased.
 - b. 65% are lower Manhattan students from south of Houston Street
 - c. 6,500 Applications are received for about 125 spots
- 3) Teen crime issue in Battery Park City – Report
 - a. The NYPD has emphasized the need for serious crimes to be reported directly to the NYPD and not only to Allied.
 - b. Arrests have been made
- 4) Review of unfilled school crossing guard positions – Report
 - a. One position has been filled and another is still needed along North End Avenue
- 5) 250 Water Street parking lot, progress toward closing Peck Slip for play street – Report
- 6) Lead water testing in City schools – Report

B) **Battery Park City Committee**

N. Segarra

- 1) North Cove Marina sailing school – Report
See the summary of comments by the representative who spoke in the Public Session.
- 2) Allied Universal Ambassadors – Report
- 3) BPC Resiliency Assessment Overview – Report – Please see the slides and presentation on the Battery Park City Authority Website.
- 4) Wagner Park Resiliency Update – Report
Please see the slides and presentation on the BPCA website.
- 5) Battery Park City Authority – Report

C) **Human, Veterans & Senior Services Task Force**

F. Curtis

- 1) Scheduling and frequency of meetings – Report
- 2) Potential agenda topics – Report

D) **Land Use, Zoning & Economic Development Committee**

P. Kennell

- 1) Beaver Street Reversal – Report
- 2) Pace University Master Plan – Report
- 3) City Bench, 234 Canal Street – Report

E) **Licensing & Permits Committee**

J. Ehrlich

- 1) The following resolutions were voted on together: Resolutions passed by a vote of 36 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 0 recused approved
 - a. 63 Wall Street, application for liquor license for Wall Street Owner Inc. – Resolution

- b. 61 Broadway, Suite 2400, application for a catering facility liquor license for Legends Hospitality LLC – Resolution
 - c. Manhattan Ferry Landing, Governors Island, 10 South Street, Slip 7; application for summer liquor license for Island Oyster LLC d/b/a Island Oyster – Resolution
 - d. 133 Greenwich Street, application for hotel/restaurant liquor license for Pyramid WTC Tenant LLC and Pyramid WTC Management LLC d/b/a Courtyard Marriott; Table 133 – Resolution
 - e. 70 South Street, application for alteration of an existing liquor license for Maiden Rest LLC d/b/a Industry Kitchen – Resolution
 - f. 78 South Street, application for alteration of an existing liquor license for P15 LLC d/b/a Cones Café and Watermark Bar & Lounge – Resolution
 - g. 85 Greenwich Street, application for restaurant liquor license for Tajin Restaurant Corp. – Resolution
 - h. 78 South Street, Pier 15 request for one-time alteration of hours for Watermark Bar & Lounge – Resolution
 - i. Liggett Terrace West, 517 Clayton Road, application for bar/tavern liquor license for ABC & E, LLC – Resolution
 - j. 190A Duane Street, application for liquor license for Fatmir Caushi or corporation to be formed – Resolution
 - k. 266 Canal Street, application for wine and beer license for August Gatherings Corp. – Resolution
 - l. 34 Desbrosses Street, application for wine and beer license for NZJJ, LLC d/b/a to be determined – Resolution
- 2) 157 Duane Street, application for sidewalk cafe for Khe-Yo – Resolutions passed by a vote of 35 in favor, 1 opposed, 0 abstained and 0 recused approved
- 3) 17 John Street, application for hotel, conference/working space, café, bar liquor license for The Assemblage Hospitality LLC, Kokua CW 1, LLC, and 17 John Street Property Owners LLC d/b/a TBD – Resolutions passed by a vote of 35 in favor, 1 opposed, 0 abstained and 0 recused approved; Friendly Amendments to include 130 Fulton as a residential building affected and the new planned residential building at 77 Nassau. Second friendly amendment to change last paragraph in the further resolved: Regarding the outdoor spaces, citing the concerns expressed by the adjacent residents, CB1 urges the SLA to permit alcohol outdoors on the rooftop and terraces only from 12pm (Noon) until 7:00pm and that all patrons be cleared and no usage allowed beyond that time.
- 4) 109 West Broadway, application for new enclosed sidewalk café – Report

F) **Landmarks & Preservation Committee**

R. Byrom

- 1) The following resolutions were voted on together: Resolutions passed by a vote of 36 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained and 1 recused (on 159) approved
 - a. Building 110, Governors Island, application for demolition of existing staircase and replacement with accessible ramp and new entrance stair, installation of

rooftop mechanical ventilation hoods and installation of service door at rear of building – Resolution

- b. Building 108, Governors Island, application for window replacement – Resolution
 - c. 159 John Street, application to convert window to door – Resolution
 - d. 15 Park Row, application for window replacement master plan – Resolution
 - e. 1 Worth Street, application for window replacement – Resolution
- 2) Building 110, Governors Island, application for restoration of stucco façade – Resolutions passed by a vote of 23 in favor, 9 opposed, 2 abstained and 0 recused approved
 - 3) CB1 will now have an opportunity to request a layover when proposals are brought with 3 days-notice before the meeting for impactful project.
 - 4) Mention special honors to Oliver and Deborah who pioneered preservation and Tribeca.

G) **Waterfront, Parks & Resiliency Committee**

M. Pasanella

- 1) Leonard Ursachi Tribeca Park Art Installation – Report
- 2) Lower Manhattan Coastal Resiliency – Report – meeting was last week and characterized by a stunning lack of a sense of urgency and energy. Suggestions for short term resiliency review were once again presented.
- 3) Seaport Development – Report
- 4) Peck Slip Park – Report

H) **Quality of Life & Service Delivery Committee**

P. Moore

- 1) Urban Umbrella – Report
This presentation was postponed until the May meeting.
- 2) Arts funding for lower Manhattan – Report
- 3) New York State Assembly legislation A00347 relating to feminine hygiene product access in schools – Resolution passed by a Roll Call vote of 31 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 0 recused approved
This proposed legislation was presented by a member of Assembly Member Linda Rosenthal’s staff.

V. **Old Business**

VI. **New Business**

- 1) Hudson Square/West Village Transportation Study – Report by M. Levine and M. Ameruso – Moved to the Quality of Life and Service Delivery Committee in May 3, 2017

VII. **Adjournment Meeting adjourned at 9 PM**

All documents relating to the above agenda items are on file at the Community Board 1 office and are available for viewing by the public upon written request to man01@cb.nyc.gov

At all meetings, additional items may be raised as "New Business."

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