



Community Board 12

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Minutes of the General Meeting

Wednesday, December 20, 2023, 7:00pm

Members Present - 27		
Ahnaf Alam	Mohammad Ali	Wanda Best
Jacqueline Boyce	Maxine Brannon	
Manuel Caughman	Marcia Francis	Glenn Greenidge
Nurul Haque	Rene Cheatham Hill	Khondokar Tarikul Islam
Vishal Hardwar, Esq.	Jolander Headley	Crystal Isaac
Audrey Lee Jacobs	Celeste James	Clementine James Chantel Johnson
Al Hussan-Kanu	Bilal Karriem, 2 nd Vice Chairperson	Michele Keller, 1 st Vice Chairperson
Donald Murphy	Akther H. Rahman	Krystal Roberts
Fitzroy Searles, Secretary	Amanda Sewanan	Florence Simmons
Owen Shakespeare	Rev. C. Princess Thorbs-Mcgee, Chairperson	Toni Totten
Linette Townsley	Jeanette Wilson	Patricia Wooden
Khari White		

Members Absent or Excused – 22		
Angela Allen	Jean Randolph-Castro	Kenny Carter
Clifton Stanley Diaz	Yullanda Hinds	

Dawn Kelly	Latoya Legrand	Sharon Sweeting-Lindsey
Rev. Edward Mckay	Angela Miskis	Abdus Salaam Musa
Shah Nawaz	Charline Ogbeni	Yvette Sledge

Rev. Thorbs welcomed attendees and called the general meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

Chairperson’s Report – Rev. Carlene Thorbs

Chairperson Thorbs stated wished everyone a happy and safe holiday season.

This evening we have two (2) items that need to be voted on, and we also have the election of the CB12 Officers. With that being said, we are on a tight schedule and must keep the agenda moving ahead.

District Manager’s Report – Yvonne Reddick

Ms. Reddick stated that Hope 2024 Tuesday, January 23, 2024, at night DSS, HRA, DHS will conduct its annual homeless Outreach Population Estimate Hope Survey. The survey helps the city to estimate the number of unsheltered New Yorkers living on the street.

If you are interested in participating, go to [NYC.gov/hope](https://nyc.gov/hope) to learn more and to register. Volunteers help by canvassing streets, parks, subways, and other public spaces. Volunteers are needed from approximately 10:00 p.m. to 4:00 a.m.

ADA Joseph T. Conley III, Bureau Chief, Frauds Bureau, Queens County District Attorney’s Office reported Tuesday, December 5, 2023, at the Borough Cabinet Meeting on the latest Emerging scams targeting Queens Residents.

Business Session

Bilal Karriem made a motion for the board to enter its business session. The motion was seconded by Glenn Greenidge and passed unanimously.

Bilal Karriem made a motion to accept November 15, 2023 minutes with corrections. The motion was seconded by Jeanette Wilson, motion passed.

Correction made to page 2 of November 15, 2023 Minutes – Motion Passed

Committees to Report

Land Use Committee – Chairperson Vishal Hardowar, Esq.

1. In the matter of BSA Application #2023-55-BZ (149-04 Rockaway Boulevard, Jamaica, NY 11436, Block: 12101, Lot # 22) submitted by Eric Palatnik, P.C. The Application is to permit a use group 16 automotive service station with accessory uses located in an R5D/C2-3 zoning district.

Motion made by Vishal Hardowar, Esq. to accept the application with stipulations, seconded by Glenn Greenidge; motion passed.

2. Michael Portegies-Zwart, City Planner, Facilities Planning & Engineering NYC Department of Sanitation; DSNY with co-applicants DCAS are looking for disposition approval of a retired Section Station at 97-22 Cresskill Place (Block 10011, Lot 14).

Motion made by Vishal Hardowar, Esq. to disapprove the application, seconded by Marcia Francis, motion passed.

ELECTION/INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS: Vishal Hardowar, Esq. presided over the election in the absence of Angela Allen, Nominating Chairperson

- There was a total of 32 ballots submitted to the Nomination Committee
Slate:
 - 1st Vice Chairperson: Bilal Karriem
 - 3rd Vice Chairperson: Khari White
 - Treasurer: Rene Hill
 - Parliamentarian: Dr. Abdus Musa

Nominations were taken from the floor for the positions of Treasurer and Parliamentarian

The 2023 – 2025 Term Officers were sworn in by State Senator Leroy Comrie, 14th S.D.

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The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 pm as there was no other business.