

Brooklyn Community Board 17
4112 Farragut Road, Brooklyn NY 11210
Parks & Beautification Committee Meeting
ONLINE
March 5th, 2024

Call to Order: This meeting of the Parks & Beautification Committee Meeting was called to order by Berlotte Antoine.

Chairperson's Report:

- Welcomed everyone and everyone mentioned what they were grateful for.
- Announcement made by DM Fraser: Chair Pearlene Fields passed last week and thankful for Chair Antoine for setting aside a few minutes to honor her.
- The minutes are on the way so soon we will approve them.
- Last week we had a site visit for Nostrand park. Partnership for Parks, PS269, Miss Rona Taylor and the park management and two other project managers were in attendance of that meeting on March 1st. The plan is to have a teaching component to teach the kids how to keep the park clean.
- We did a visit and follow up at the park at East 91st/92nd and Ditmas Ave. We will do an event at that park, and we will start the cleanup on the 23rd.
- I did follow up with Daniel from Councilmember Louis's office and I am waiting for him to get back to me about the discretionary funds to beautify Tilden Park.
- The DOT replied and they said the light issue is for the parks and not them. It was forwarded to Daniel to get their attention so hopefully something is done.
- Next cleanup is March 23rd at Railroad Park.

New Business:

- **Chair Antoine:** There is some funding that is out there and if we have the funding what is the most urgent area, we can use the funding for. The possibly funding amount is \$1,000. Application needs to be submitted by March 15th. Please let me know what ideas you have.
- Suggestions: The basketball net in Tilden Park could be refurbished.
- Trying to do more work in Nostrand Park by April, May.
- Suggested date for Railroad Park on March 23rd to get things done.
- **Rona Taylor:** Trying to bring in more volunteers and try to bring up the visibility of work that the community board is doing. Some of the activities that we discussed were mulching painting, and weeding.
- Outdoor Afro is a great group, and it helps us to bring our community together and help beautify the community. Also, Flatbush Community Association helps to organize a lot of cleanups throughout the Flatbush area. Brooklyn Lions is a civic group, and they do a lot of things around civic engagement, and this is just one of the ways that they like to get back to the community. And there is also Elite Learners.

- I nominated Jackie Williams and Linda Turner for the Elder's New Yorkers Date on March 14th.

Adjournment:

Linda Turner: Motioned to adjourn the meeting.

Judith Douglas: seconded the meeting for adjournment.

Meeting Adjourned.

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Berlotte Antoine

Sherif Fraser

Rona Taylor

Adele Bennett

Kimberly Shelley

Audrey Henderson

Brie DaCosta

Linda Turner

Jackie Williams

Ricky DaCosta

Judith Douglas

Jorge A. Tait

Absent: