

**Community Board Ten Board Meeting Attendance**  
**Norwegian Christian Home**  
**Monday, May 20, 2013 – 7:15 pm**

Board Members Present: 40

Greg Ahl  
Liz Amato  
Allen Bortnick  
Jaynemie Capetanakis  
Kevin Peter Carroll  
Shirley Chin  
Judith Collins  
Doris Cruz  
Ida D'Amelio  
Khader El-Yateem  
Ann Falutico  
Barbara Germack  
Andrew Gounardes  
Judith Grimaldi  
Ronald Gross  
Stephen Harrison  
Robert Hudock  
June Johnson  
Habib Joudeh  
Katherine Khatari  
Brian Kieran  
Scott Klein  
Stella Kokolis  
Nikolaos Leonardos  
Rhea McCone  
Mary Nolan  
Eleanor Petty  
Susan Pulaski  
Mary Quinones  
Dean Rasinya  
Husam Rimawi  
Susan Romero  
Jean Ryan  
Linda Sarsour  
Eleanor Schiano  
Joanne Seminara  
Joseph Sokoloski  
Lawrence Stelter  
Mary Ann Walsh  
Jonathan Yedin

Board Members Excused: 6

Michael Festa  
Rita Meade  
Dilia Schack  
Sandy Vallas  
Fran Vella-Marrone  
Tony Wu

Board Members Absent: 4

Anna DeMetz  
Luigi Lobuglio  
Jeannie May  
Lori Willis

Ex-Officio:

Councilman Vincent Gentile

# COMMUNITY BOARD TEN GUESTS

Date: May 20, 2013 - 7:15 PM

Subject: CB10 Board Meeting - Norwegian Christian Home

PLEASE PROVIDE AS MUCH INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE. THANK YOU.

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**COMMUNITY BOARD TEN BOARD MEETING**  
**May 20, 2013 – Norwegian Christian Home**  
**MINUTES**

Chair Seminara called the meeting to order at 7:20 PM and introduced Joseph Piraino, Supervising Detective Investigator, Office of Kings County District Attorney Charles Hynes, to lead the Honor of the Pledge.

Chair Seminara asked for a motion from the floor to adopt the Agenda. Motion by BM Romano, second by BM Germack. Agenda adopted as written.

Chair Seminara asked for a motion from the floor to adopt the Minutes from the April 15, 2013 Board Meeting. Motion by BM Petty, second by BM D'Amelio. Minutes adopted as written.

**PUBLIC SESSION**

New York City Comptroller John Liu stated that they are now in the midst of the final stages of budget season. He feels the proposed cuts are not as bad as we have seen in recent years, although libraries are once again in limbo. His office has reviewed the budget top to bottom and have come up with new needs that must be addressed in the City's budget. He calls this analysis The People's Budget, which is online with 70 specific proposals on how the City's \$70 Billion budget can be spent. He invited everyone to go online to [peoplesbudgetnyc.com](http://peoplesbudgetnyc.com) to give thumbs up or thumbs down on each of these proposals.

BM Romero asked Comptroller Liu how the priorities are defined and where they get their information for The People's Budget. The Comptroller responded that the public's input over the years has been broken down into several categories including libraries, education, parks, public safety, affordable housing and other categories people are concerned about. We hear about these issues all the time but for some reason they are not being directed into the City's budget.

BM Yedin asked if Wifi throughout the City is in The People's Budget, as that helps low income people and people who use schools or libraries for the internet. Comptroller Liu thinks that is a good suggestion, although the totality of it is not in his proposal. They are not suggesting that there be free Wifi throughout the City, but they do think this is a problem for many communities. Part of their proposal is to help all middle schools students in New York City get free access to laptop computers and Wifi service. They think it is absolutely critical in this digital age for students not to be cut off from the information superhighway.

As Chairman of the City Council Library Committee, Council Member Vincent Gentile thanked Comptroller Liu saying he certainly appreciates the Comptroller's words about the libraries and a seven day baseline funding for libraries. He noted that Assembly Member Malliotakis sponsored a rally on Sunday to restore the B37 bus. They are hoping that part of the extra \$40 Million the MTA has will be used to restore the B37. The Councilman noted that that rally and the Norwegian Day Parade were held in the rain, but the Bensonhurst cleanup that had been scheduled for Sunday had to be postponed because they were going to paint the benches. They did manage to get the 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue cleanup done on Saturday, and the volunteers did a great job.

The Councilman noted that all of his appointees who were up for reappointment have been reappointed for the next term, and he offered his congratulations. He announced two new members joining Community Board Ten, both of whom are Borough President appointees through his recommendation: Brian Kaszuba, a Bay Ridge resident who used to work on the Councilman's staff and for the Public Advocate, and is currently editor for a local paper dealing with City zoning issues; and Adil Oualim, President of the Moroccan American Council on 72<sup>nd</sup> Street and 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue. He then announced two current Board Members who are moving on, and thanked both Eleanor Petty and Scott Klein for their many years of service to Community Board Ten. He then presented them with official New York City Council Certificates.

Councilman Gentile noted that the much awaited Eco Dock was being redesigned after Hurricane Sandy, which delayed it a couple of months. However, the real delay has been the approval process of the new design, which has dragged on. They just received final approval this month. The process now to get the dock built is beginning, but the Parks Department has told him that they do not anticipate having the dock ready for use until September.

The Councilman noted that 93 Lounge is still closed. Working with the investigators from the Worker's Compensation Board and the DA's office, it was closed down for worker's compensation violations, and the owner was arrested because of those violations. We hope that it will be closed for good.

With regard to the paving on 92<sup>nd</sup> Street due to the sinkhole, the Councilman noted that while driving to the meeting tonight he got a call from Commissioner Strickland of DEP because the community wants them to pave the street curb to curb and not just down the middle. DM Beckmann sent the Commissioner photographs of 92<sup>nd</sup> Street. Commissioner Strickland is considering the request to pave curb to curb. The Councilman said it may not be done immediately but he wants everyone to know that the pressure is on to get this done.

The Councilman noted that DM Beckmann will be speaking later on their experiences at the Board of Standards and Appeals where they both testified regarding the application for 45 76<sup>th</sup> Street. There has been no decision yet on our appeal. He asked the Community Board to consider abolishing the special permits. We are only one of the three community boards that currently use the special permit process, and he thinks they are being abused and not used for the right reasons. He asked the Community Board to consider doing a text amendment in the Zoning Resolution to abolish the special permit for Community Board Ten. In closing, Councilman Gentile congratulated all the nominees tonight.

Maria Scarpati from Senator Marty Golden's office announced that the finalists have been selected in the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual "Senator for a Day" contest, which was for 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> graders who had to write a 250 word essay starting with "If I Were a State Senator for a Day." The winning essays will be judged at a ceremony on Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup> at 6PM at Shore Hill Community Room. She then announced that the Senator has sponsored a bill to combat the ongoing issue of no-fault auto insurance fraud. The bill would allow insurance companies to retroactively cancel policies taken out by people who commit auto fraud. This bill has been sent to the Assembly. Finally she noted that Concerts in the Park will start on Tuesday July 9<sup>th</sup>, and the first concert is at 79<sup>th</sup> Street and Shore Road.

On behalf of Assembly Member Nicole Malliotakis, Nicholas Chamberas congratulated the organizers of the Norwegian Day Parade. With regard to the B37 bus rally held on Sunday, he stated that it was a great example of bipartisanship with all working together to restore the B37 bus line to its former route. The New York City Economic Development Corporation is requesting that the 7 train be extended to New Jersey. All we are asking is that we get the B37 back in Brooklyn to get seniors to Lutheran Medical Center. Assembly Member Malliotakis is working to add an amendment to the budget that would require spending part of the \$40 Million surplus that was discovered to restore our B37. Lastly, he announced that the Kings County Memorial Day Parade will take place on May 27<sup>th</sup> starting at 87<sup>th</sup> Street and 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue.

Eileen Kassab from the Dyker Branch of the Brooklyn Public Library stated that the Coney Island and Gerritsen Beach branches suffered a lot of damage from Hurricane Sandy and will remain closed until the fall. The libraries are expecting the possibility of a 36% cut, and she asked the community to speak up to support the libraries by going on their website, which is now [bklynpubliclibrary.org](http://bklynpubliclibrary.org), by signing a petition, or by donating through envelopes she left on the rear table. She said that there is a rumor going around that maybe the library is selling off branches and this is not true. They are not turning their back on their communities. They have 60 locations now and in the future. She announced that the Dyker Branch is closing for self-check from July 5<sup>th</sup> until August 5<sup>th</sup>. BM Bortnick suggested putting the petition on the internet and was told that it is on their website. BM Stelter asked what branches are closed, and was told it was the Coney Island and Gerritsen Beach

branches. BM Germack stated that she looked on the Library website and it said those branches were open. Eileen replied that she will look into that and thanked her for bringing it to her attention.

Tom Greene thanked the Community Board for putting Denyse Wharf back on the list of capital projects. He announced that they will be having a major cleanup on Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM. They will have students from local schools there to help. There will also be a kayak demonstration. They are going to start an oyster garden program at the Wharf and will be bringing them from Kingsborough to the site to show the students. He invited people to go see what they are doing.

Board Member Jean Ryan stated that she was unable to get into the last Board Meeting because they did not have someone to work the lift at the Knights of Columbus. She waited outside in the cold for 20 minutes and then went home. She said that the lift has safety violations. It has been dangerous for her to use that lift in the last year or two and she fears for her safety because the only way for it to work is to leave the door open, which is not allowed. The last two times they did not have people there who could work the lift which is unacceptable, so she is going to pursue what happened to her. The last time she spoke to the Board about accessibility was in 2006, stating that this is a problem in all of Bay Ridge. She wanted to talk to the Board tonight as leaders of the community to urge them think about access for people with mobility disabilities. It is really important and she is one of the few people to speak up because she is gutsy, and if no one else is thinking or talking about access she has to speak up. Doctors' offices, physical therapy, dentists' offices, hair cutters, funeral homes, schools, cultural events; she cannot go to them and it is very frustrating and it is not just her. There are 500,000 people in New York with mobility disabilities. Two stores that she frequents have made themselves inaccessible in the last few months. She is asking that we think about access. Chair Seminara clarified that BM Ryan was speaking about inaccessibility at the Knights of Columbus, and noted that we have taken steps to rectify that so it does not happen again. BM Ryan noted that she waited 20 minutes and there was no one there to operate the lift and it was too uncomfortable. The meeting had already started. She said there is also a problem with 9000 Shore Road because of the bar at the car entrance. She has to lift it up with her hand and go under the bar. DM Beckmann replied that the 91<sup>st</sup> Street entrance to the parking lot is open. BM Ryan responded that she cannot go on the sidewalk because they do not have a curb cut. DM Beckmann told her we will talk more about this issue. BM Rasinya feels this issue for accessibility should be assigned to the appropriate committee. BM Grimaldi noted that the Senior Issues Committee did look into this issue previously and that may be an appropriate committee.

#### **CHAIR'S REPORT – See Attached**

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

ZALUC Subcommittee on Outdoor Cafes Committee Chair Gross rendered the Committee report. See Attached. Chair Seminara asked for a motion from the floor to endorse the Committee's recommendation. Motion by BM Gounardes.

**Motion: CB10 to recommend the DCA Renewal Application for an unenclosed Sidewalk Café for 10 tables and 40 seats at Rocco's Italian Cafeteria, 6408 Fort Hamilton Parkway, DCA License #1008741. All in favor. Motion carried.**

Chair Seminara recognized two of our Board Members for their many years of service to Community Board 10: Eleanor Petty who was on our Board for 16 years and served as Chair of the Parks Committee for 12 years, and Scott Klein who served for six years. Chair Seminara presented them with Certificates of Appreciation and thanked them for their years of service to our community.

#### **DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT - See Attached**

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT – See Attached**

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

In the absence of Police and Public Safety Committee Chair Vella-Marrone, BM Collins rendered the Committee report. See Attached. With regard to the SLA Application for Il Forno Di Marco Corp. Chair Seminara asked if the applicant was present. DM Beckmann noted that they were invited to attend and were not present tonight, however they did attend the Committee meeting. Chair Seminara asked for a motion from the floor to support the Committee's recommendation. Motion by BM Nolan, second by BM McCone. BM Falutico asked whether the applicant has a track record with his other business, and was told that the other business is Beebo, which is a well cared for establishment.

**Motion: CB10 to approve the SLA Application for Il Forno Di Marco Corp., 7604 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue. All in favor. Motion carried.**

### TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Traffic and Transportation Committee Chair Kieran rendered the Committee report. See Attached. Discussion followed.

With regard to Summer Stroll 2013, BM Gross asked about parking at the Century 21 parking lot, as last year the parking lot did not know anything about the agreement to provide reduced rate parking. Committee Chair Kieran said that he will follow up on it, since this was the information we received from the merchants.

With regard to Slow Zones, BM Grimaldi asked for examples of where these might work. Committee Chair Kieran responded that they cannot include major avenues, but they can be on side streets and have avenues as an edge. They would be a good to compliment to school areas, and these Slow Zones would be 24 hours, 7 days a week. They could be toward 86<sup>th</sup> Street, Ridge Boulevard, and Colonial Road, where they could be on busy streets and the avenues themselves would be the edge of the Slow Zone, so it could have a spillover effect. BM Romero asked about requesting speed bumps. Committee Chair Kieran replied that anything that applied to 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue can apply to somewhere else.

BM Capetanakis noted that at the meeting the DOT representative said we have so many areas in our community below 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue to Shore Road. The proposed areas encompass a large number of blocks and it is 24 hours continuous, is self regulating and would require the community to follow that restriction at all times. While it has plusses it left us with many questions. Committee Chair Kieran stated that the representative did point out that it is on the map closer to 65<sup>th</sup> Street and 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, so in his opinion, that would not be considered a busy arterial road. He guesses that is open to some sort of debate. BM Cruz asked how the applications are made. Committee Chair Kieran replied that it would be through some public interest, support from elected officials, private groups, and petitions, which would funnel through the Community Board office. Chair Seminara noted that DM Beckmann put a link to the presentation on the website for anyone who wants to see it.

BM Falutico asked if there is a minimum number of blocks. Committee Chair Kieran replied that it is ¼ of a mile, 5x5, and obviously there is a little bit of flexibility. It would not be the entire community. BM McCone asked how the slow zones will slow down traffic. Committee Chair Kieran replied that the main entrance areas would have a slow zone sign and speed limit. BM McCone said she lives on 83<sup>rd</sup> near Fort Hamilton High School and there is always speeding on her block. Committee Chair Kieran said that even these markings and some of the other suggestions in the presentation are not absolute fixes and will not change the behavior of some drivers. But his guess is that with these slow zones, the Precinct will regularly be present to let people

know. BM Gounardes noted there is a measurable difference in speeding in areas with the new program. Committee Chair Kieran said it could give us a 6% reduction in accidents. BM Stelter noted that the corner extension at the northeast corner of 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Bay Ridge Parkway encroaches upon a fire hydrant and thus will not eliminate any parking spaces. Committee Chair Kieran responded that the neckdown design depends on the street. It may be possible to add it totally within the crosswalk.

With regard to the report on the 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue Safety Visioning Redesign, Committee Chair Kieran noted that it is informational only, and a lot of things that could have been in the proposal were left out. This is still something the Committee and Community Board have to work on as to what would be more pertinent or more practical or something that should have been included in the plan. Chair Seminara stated that it is really hard to absorb all of it, and again noted that the DOT proposal is on our website. She said that if you come to the June 5<sup>th</sup> meeting well prepared having had a chance to review it, you can be a lot more intelligent about it.

BM Klein said he was on 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue numerous times today and from what Committee Chair Kieran is describing, it sounds like DOT wants to extend what they have already done up to 60<sup>th</sup> Street all the way to the end of 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue. His perception is that it could be worse because you have a wider parking area and people double park next to that, and people have to drive around the double parking. He asked if there has been any research done after they implemented it. Committee Chair Kieran replied that the DOT representatives who were at the meeting indicated Community Board 7 is pleased. Chair Seminara stated that DOT did say that it is too soon for them to give results. BM Germack asked if they spoke about the spillover to 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Avenues, and was told they did not.

BM Bortnick said that DOT has come in with a plan that is designed to remove the number of cars driving and unfortunately this will not work in a city like New York, and their designs do not work. The people of CB7 have already said they feel less safe now than they did before. One person who is also on the Police and Public Safety Committee said it is the worst mistake they have ever made in granting permission to make DOT changes. The fact of the matter is that DOT wants to remove driving lanes at any expense to keep cars from going on the road. Fourth Avenue is a disaster unto itself because of people and not because of the cars. Committee Chair Kieran responded that DOT officials have been very consistent in saying that whatever information they received from crash statistics and the NYPD, they used their own software and they are sure that their plan will not slow down traffic and be an impediment. That is not what they are trying to accomplish. BM Grimaldi stated that she drives on 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue all the time and one simple change they made on 86<sup>th</sup> Street and 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, which is a turn lane, causes the traffic to file into one lane. This causes a backup at the intersection every day, and she cannot imagine the entire section being one lane. Giving more parking does not make things flow, and she thinks it is not a good idea.

BM Ryan noted that at the Committee meeting, DOT said that they have a website and they encouraged people to go to the website and comment. Committee Chair Kieran explained that was part of the 240 responses that DOT received. BM McCone asked for clarification about the fence. Committee Chair Kieran replied that it is a wrought iron fence, 3 ½' to 4' high and about 80' long. The idea is that it would discourage people from stopping there because there would be no point. It is already a bus stop and the person would not be able to get to the curb. BM Stelter objected to the moving of the S53 loading area from 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue at the northwest corner of 87<sup>th</sup> Street across 87<sup>th</sup> Street to the southwest corner, which now serves as the part-time discharge/loading area for the S93 CSI route. The many riders emerging from the subway at 86<sup>th</sup> Street will have to walk across 87<sup>th</sup> Street to catch the bus, the rubber-tired extension of the R-train. The long boarding lines may extend down 87<sup>th</sup> Street or cross 87<sup>th</sup> Street. The proposed 80' fence will render half the 86<sup>th</sup> – 87<sup>th</sup> Street block a dead zone and has no place in CB10. Moreover, the businesses will lose those customers lining up for the S53. Committee Chair Kieran stated that we are not bound to any particular suggestion they make; it is what works for the community.

BM Hudock addressed concerns brought up by BM Klein, as there is a lot of double parking in Sunset Park. The feedback he has heard from people in Sunset Park and the Council Member's office is that it is caused by

the fact that it is all retail on every block. We do not have that issue here on our stretch of 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue. BM Bortnick interjected that we still have the cars. Chair Seminara called for no more outbursts. BM Cruz made the suggestion to people who have complained about driving on 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue that before the next meeting they drive and look at their speedometer to see what speed they are going. She does not think they are driving 30 mph in Bay Ridge. BM Gounardes noted that the speeding issue on 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue is worse in off peak hours. BM Joudeh noted that 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 86<sup>th</sup> Street is a disaster every morning with the buses on the avenue and cars backed up. He suggested a visit to that site in the morning. Committee Chair Kieran noted he was on 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 86<sup>th</sup> Street on Mother's Day and there was a significant amount of cars parking at the bus stop, and he saw a lot of conflict between turning cars and pedestrians because they both had the right of way. He honestly cannot see how a pedestrian island can fit in there without doing damage to the flow of traffic. In his opinion there is nothing in the DOT's plan that deals directly with safety, like speed humps, speed tables, speed cushions. There are a lot of things that we raised in the workshops that did not survive into this plan. Many people spoke about additional enforcement on 86<sup>th</sup> Street. One traffic enforcement agent on 86<sup>th</sup> Street would probably cost less than all the things they are proposing, but they say it cannot be done. BM El-Yateem said that in the event that an ambulance cannot pass by, there would be a major conflict.

BM Germack asked for the website, and DM Beckmann stated that she would send out the link to Board Members tomorrow. Chair Seminara stated that we will have an opportunity to discuss this both at the Committee meeting and at the General Board Meeting, so it makes sense to go through the plan so you can understand it. Committee Chair Kieran encouraged people to attend the public meeting which is very important. BM Falutico asked if our Board is the only part of the 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue Plan that is not implemented. Committee Chair Kieran stated that we are the second part, and the last part will be from about 15<sup>th</sup> Street to the Flatbush Avenue extension.

BM Romero stated that there is not a major city in this country that does not have the same problem and does not implement solutions that keep traffic flowing, keep pedestrians safe, and keep businesses from being interrupted. Our area has grown so much in size and there is an explosion of cars and people driving. It is a natural byproduct going through this situation that other blocks are going to pick up the burden of cars dropping off people. People will get used to it.

### **SENIOR ISSUES, HOUSING, HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE**

Senior Issues, Housing, Health and Welfare Committee Chair El-Yateem rendered the Committee report. See Attached.

### **PARKS COMMITTEE**

Parks Committee Chair Johnson rendered the Committee report. See Attached.

### **NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

Nominating Committee Chair Grimaldi rendered the Committee report. See Attached.

Committee Chair Grimaldi asked if there were any nominations from the floor for Chair. She closed the nomination for Chair as there were no nominations. She asked if there were any nominations from the floor for Vice Chair. BM Klein nominated BM Hudock, who accepted that nomination. Committee Chair Grimaldi announced that there was a second nomination for Vice Chair, so there will be an election between BM Cruz and BM Hudock. BM Carroll asked if the person is not present, can they still be nominated. Committee Chair Grimaldi said that if they submitted their name for consideration, she would say yes, but deferred the question. Chair Seminara agreed and said yes, if they have indicated their interest already. BM Hudock asked what if they change their mind, and was told they could withdraw. Committee Chair Grimaldi closed the nominations for Vice Chair. BM El-Yateem asked if we have a ratio of male/female on the Board, and was told no, that

there is no requirement. Committee Chair Grimaldi asked for nominations from the floor for Secretary. She then closed the nomination for Secretary as there were none from the floor. She then asked for any nominations for Treasurer. BM Carroll nominated BM Vella-Marrone. Committee Chair Grimaldi noted that BM Vella-Marrone was not present to accept the nomination, but as we know she did submit her name for that position. She will check with BM Vella-Marrone, but unless she withdraws we will consider her as a candidate. She announced that there will be an election for the position of Treasurer between BM Ahl and BM Vella-Marrone. She closed the nomination for Treasurer.

Committee Chair Grimaldi stated that the slate as we now have it is:

Chair	Brian Kieran
Vice Chair – Election	between Doris Cruz and Bob Hudock
Secretary	Ronald Gross
Treasurer - Election	between Greg Ahl and Fran Vella-Marrone

The election will be in June at the next Board Meeting. Committee Chair Grimaldi thanked the Committee for their work, and she is pleased with our slate of officers.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Eleanor Schiano thanked DM Beckmann, Sen. Golden, Councilman Gentile and everyone who helped with the 92<sup>nd</sup> Street project. It is not over, it is a big mess, and she said to avoid driving down that street if you can.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Habib Joudeh said that lately he has noticed a lot of old clothing bins on 5<sup>th</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenues and business owners are being approached by the Sanitation Department. DM Beckmann stated that we have 20 clothing bins placed in the Bay Ridge area in the past few weeks. The locations that have been reported to the District Office have been reported to the Department of Sanitation. If they are on a City sidewalk they are not legal; they cannot be there. The Department of Sanitation informed us that most of the clothing bins are out of state companies with 1-800 numbers. We have tried to contact them but they have not responded. The Department of Sanitation has gone out and tagged these clothing bins with stickers. From the point when the sticker is put on the clothing bin, it takes up to 30 days to have them removed. Clothing bins near the District Office have been taken away. So we hope that very soon all of them spanning from 88<sup>th</sup> Street to 69<sup>th</sup> Street, all of which have been tagged, will be removed. They have given out summonses to individual stores, but these companies are placing them without permission and the summons should be issued to the actual bin.

A motion to adjourn was made BM Stelter, second by BM Klein. With no further business, Chair Seminara adjourned the meeting at 9:25 PM.

ZALUC Subcommittee for Outdoor Cafés

Meeting Minutes

May 9, 2013



Community Board 10 Offices –  
6:45 pm

The ZALUC Subcommittee for Outdoor Cafés met on 09-May-2013. A quorum  
 **WAS** |  **WAS NOT** met.

A  **NEW** |  **RENEWAL** application for an  **ENCLOSED** |  **UNENCLOSED** sidewalk café  
was discussed for 10 tables and 40 seats at Roccas Italian Cafeteria, Inc located at  
6408 Ft Hamilton Parkway. The Consumer Affairs License Number is 1008741.

The applicant  **WAS** |  **WAS NOT** present.

The Board has received no complaints regarding this establishment.

There were no proposed changes

This is an amended application: DESCRIBE \_\_\_\_\_

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Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

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After discussion, the committee voted  **UNANIMOUSLY** |  **2 TO 1** to  
 **RECOMMEND** |  **DENY** approval of the application for this café permit and  
thereby so moves.

After discussion, the committee's recommendation is to  **SUPPORT** |  **DENY**  
approval of the application for this café permit. As quorum was not met, a motion  
from the floor is required.

Respectfully submitted

Ronald Gross  
Chair, ZALUC Subcommittee for Outdoor Cafés

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Community Board 10, Brooklyn  
Chair's Report: May 20, 2013

I am approaching the end of my term and this is my 35th report as Chair. At our next meeting we will elect a new slate of officers who will begin their tenure on July 1, 2013. I thank our Nominating Committee and its Chair Judie Grimaldi for meeting to review and implement our nomination process and for nominating a slate of new officers. The nominating committee's report will follow.

Tonight Brian Kieran, T & T Chair, will present the report of a last week's very important committee meeting that discussed traffic calming measures, including extensive and controversial traffic lane changes on 4th Avenue and throughout Bay Ridge. DOT will make the same presentation made to T & T at our public hearing to be held on June 5, 2013 at 7:15 pm at St. Anselm's School Auditorium. I hope you will all attend this important meeting; our outreach has and will continue to be extensive. In addition, I and other officers and members of our Board along with DM Jo Beckmann will meet with MTA officials to discuss concerns that are part of the new DOT proposal regarding the problematic staging of buses on 4th Avenue between 86th and 88th Streets, in an effort to make sure there is coordination between MTA and DOT regarding any plan that is implemented.

"Bayme Place Bag"

I call your attention to an article that appeared in the Metro section of the NY Times yesterday regarding a proposal to sharply reduce the use of plastic bags in NYC. Until you look at the amount of waste produced by non-recyclable plastic bags you might think an initiative to force us to stop using plastic bags is an extreme curtailment of our convenience. But plastic shopping bags are an enormous problem for New York City, according to Ron Gonen, Deputy Commissioner of Sanitation for recycling and waste reduction, who noted that NYC pays \$10 million annually to send 100,000 tons of plastic bags that are tossed in the general trash to landfills in Ohio, South Carolina, and Pennsylvania. This is amazing when you think that a plastic bag does not weigh very much." In addition, across the country plastic bags are the bane of recycling programs because when placed in with the recycled trash they gum up and damage expensive recycling machines, which cost huge amounts to repair. The question seems to be whether we ban the bags or charge high enough taxes for their use to make them obsolete. The tax funds could be used to raise revenue for other environmental projects. These tactics are unpopular but we need to find a way to stop this little bit of insanity as our landfills and oceans fill up with non-biodegradable plastic. I for one would like to be forced to stop using them so I remember to take my cloth bags every time I go to the store.

## District Manager Report

May 20, 2013

Dear Board Members,

Siphon Project Update. The contractor has begun preparations for resumption of land piping activities in Brooklyn for the Siphon Project. In the next few weeks we will see:

- mobilization of equipment and supplies  
The Brooklyn Shaft site, located in Shore Road Park (just south of 83<sup>rd</sup> Street, opposite Fort Hamilton High School) will be used as a staging area during the land piping work.
- activities related to the shutdown of the existing 42" siphon (Siphon #2), which ties into the water distribution system at 86<sup>th</sup> Street
- initiation of land piping work, including installation of a 72" water main along Shore Road, between 86<sup>th</sup> and 83<sup>rd</sup> Streets. The contractor will begin work at approximately 86<sup>th</sup> Street and continue northward (towards Shore Road Lane) during the summer months. No work will occur in front of Fort Hamilton High School during the regular school year.
- no water shut-offs to adjacent properties are anticipated at this time

Although the project team will make every effort to minimize impacts during construction, some disruption and inconvenience typically occur on any construction project. These may include loss of parking (expected to be minimal), temporary changes to vehicular and pedestrian traffic patterns.

While we are on the subject of DEP, the final restoration of the 92<sup>nd</sup> Street project is underway. We learned that the final restoration of this project does not include a curb to curb repaving. We were not satisfied with that response and sent a letter to Commissioner Strickland. Neighbors on the block had also signed a petition and both Council Member Gentile and State Senator Golden expressed that this decision is not acceptable.

Also, many residents contacted our office following the heavy rain that took place on the morning of May 8, 2013. Numerous residents on the odd side of the street from 227 to 269 received considerable water in their basements and garages. Residents felt this should not have happened with a newly repaired sewer system. Today we learned in an update from DEP that their contractor has completed the majority of the street paving along 92nd between 3rd and Ridge.

The current work being performed in front of 218 92nd involves cleaning the 12" sewer of some concrete that accidentally fell in during the roadway repairs. This is expected to take another few days and DEP expects (weather permitting) to complete the paving by the end of this week. Residents informed us that a delivery of new clay pipes was brought to this very same area today. We are looking into this as well as continuing to advocate for full curb to curb repaving.

Update on Restrooms at Dyker Beach Playground – I spoke to Commissioner Jeffrey earlier this week that the work involved to repair the bathrooms is more extensive and they are working to get them fixed but will take longer than anticipated. He hopes to have an update for me this week.

The District Office received numerous complaints about a homeless encampment at The Comfort Station at Shore Road Park at 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue. I am happy to report that our Parks Manager Stephanie Thayer reported to us that together with the 68<sup>th</sup> Precinct and homeless outreach – the site was cleaned, the homeless received services and the location now has been secured with locks during off hours to prevent future encampments at this site.

The New York City Department of Health has issued new vaccination recommendations for men at greater risk of contracting meningitis. There has been an increase in new cases among gay men and three of the last five

cases have been fatal. As a result DOH is advising men at higher risk to get vaccinated. Information can be found on the NYC Department of Health Website or by calling 311.

I attended the final BSA hearing last week to voice the Community Board's opposition to the Special Permit at 45 76<sup>th</sup> Street. I was joined by many residents, Council Member Gentile and Victoria Hofmo of the Bay Ridge Conservancy. What I learned was simple.. the BSA views the Special Permit as an as of right application. The BSA members do not consider nor pretend to consider "essential community character". On October 21, 1996, Community Board Ten supported the special permit only for one and two family residences – at the time we did not have the contextual districts and the Bay Ridge Special District had a height restriction of 32 feet in the midblock and an additional requirement of the BSA finding that the enlarged building would not alter the essential character of the neighborhood or district – We will be discussing this issue at the Zoning and Land Use Committee next month.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

##### **146th Kings County Memorial Day Parade**

The Kings County Memorial Day Parade, being held on Monday, May 27th at 11:00 AM, kicks off on 3rd Avenue & 87th Street. Parade route runs along 3rd Avenue to Marine Avenue, up to 4th Avenue, and over to John Paul Jones Park for a memorial service.

##### **American Cancer Society Relay For Life**

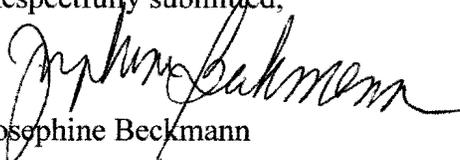
Relay For Life of Bay Ridge, Bensonhurst & Dyker Heights will be held on June 22nd, 1:00-11:00 PM, at the Fort Hamilton Athletic Field, Colonial Road between 83rd & 85th Streets. "

##### **Summer Youth Employment Program**

The Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) provides New York City youth between the ages of 14 and 24 with summer employment. DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS WAS EXTENDED UNTIL MAY 22, 2013.

**The next General Meeting of Community Board Ten will take place on June 17, 2013 – 7:15pm at Shore Hill Community Room – 9000 Shore Road.**

Respectfully submitted,



Josephine Beckmann

District Manager

**COMMUNITY BOARD TEN  
TREASURER'S REPORT**

Fiscal Year: July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013

Budget Appropriation for FY 13	\$206,895.00
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	7/31/12	8/31/12	9/30/12	10/31/12	11/30/12	12/31/12	1/31/13	2/28/13	3/31/13	4/30/13	5/31/13	6/30/13	Y - T - D
DISTRICT MANAGER	\$7,375.10	\$11,378.19	\$7,585.46	\$7,585.46	\$7,585.46	\$7,585.46	\$7,585.46	\$7,585.46	\$11,378.19	\$7,585.46			
COMMUNITY COORDINATOR	\$4,602.96	\$6,913.89	\$4,609.26	\$4,609.26	\$4,609.26	\$4,609.26	\$4,609.26	\$4,609.26	\$6,913.89	\$4,609.26			
COMMUNITY ASSOCIATE													
COMMUNITY ASSISTANT	\$1,440.96	\$2,188.44	\$1,656.96	\$1,656.96	\$1,656.96	\$1,656.96	\$1,656.96	\$1,656.96	\$2,485.44	\$1,656.96			
<b>Total Personal Services</b>	<b>\$13,819.02</b>	<b>\$20,480.52</b>	<b>\$13,851.68</b>	<b>\$13,851.68</b>	<b>\$13,851.68</b>	<b>\$13,851.68</b>	<b>\$13,851.68</b>	<b>\$13,851.68</b>	<b>\$20,777.52</b>	<b>\$13,851.68</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$151,838.82</b>

ExpensesCode	Description	7/31/12	8/31/12	9/30/12	10/31/12	11/30/12	12/31/12	1/31/13	2/29/2013	3/31/13	4/30/13	5/31/13	6/30/13	Y - T - D	
10B	Telephone														
10X	Intra-City Supplies														
40B	Intra-City Telephone	196.62	198.91	196.62	201.45	196.37	193.64	193.02	201.20	196.79	201.29				
100	Supplies & Materials			128.84		99.60			189.07		240.05				
101	Printing Supplies														
117	Postage														
170	Cleaning Supplies														
199	Data Processing Supplies														
302	Telecomm. Equipment														
314	Office furniture														
315	Office Equipment														
319	Security Equipment	135.00		135.00			135.00	95.00		135.00					
332	Data Process. Equipment														
337	Books														
402	Tel./Communications														
412	Rental/Misc./Equip	234.41	234.41	234.41	234.41		44.41	188.60	193.41	193.41	193.41				
417	Advertising														
431	Leasing Misc. Equip.														
451	Local travel expenditures						400.00								
602	Telecomm. Maintenance	21.70	21.70	21.70	21.70	21.70	21.70	21.70		21.70	21.70				
612	Office Equip. Maint.														
613	Data Process. Equipment														
615	Printing Supplies														
622	Temporary Services-contractual		530.00												
624	Cleaning Services	160.00	240.00	160.00	160.00	160.00	160.00	160.00	160.00	160.00	160.00				
608	Iron Security Gate Maintenance														
676	Awning														
414	Water, Sewer, Utility														
<b>Total Other than Personal Services</b>		<b>\$747.73</b>	<b>\$1,225.02</b>	<b>\$876.57</b>	<b>\$817.56</b>	<b>\$477.67</b>	<b>\$954.75</b>	<b>\$858.32</b>	<b>\$743.68</b>	<b>\$706.90</b>	<b>\$816.45</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>\$7,824.65</b>

<b>TOTAL PS AND OTPS EXPENSES</b>	<b>14,366.75</b>	<b>21,705.54</b>	<b>14,728.25</b>	<b>14,469.24</b>	<b>14,329.35</b>	<b>14,806.43</b>	<b>14,510.00</b>	<b>14,595.36</b>	<b>21,484.42</b>	<b>14,668.13</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>159,863.47</b>
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<b>TOTAL UNCOMBURED BUDGET BALANCE</b>														<b>\$47,231.53</b>
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Respectfully submitted,

*Mary Ann Walsh*  
Mary Ann Walsh, Treasurer

**Community Board Ten Police and Public Safety Committee**  
**May 8, 2013**

The Police and Public Safety Committee met without a quorum on May 8, 2013 . The meeting commenced at 7:10 PM.

New SLA Application for a Wine and Beer License at Il Forno Di Marco Corp., 7604 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue - The application is for a new Wine and Beer license. This is the site of the former Hawaiian Grill. There was no adverse history recorded for this location. The restaurant had 10 tables and 40 seats. The method of operation is a restaurant serving breakfast, lunch and dinner. Hours of operation are 7:00 AM -10:00 PM Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Sundays, 7:00 AM – 12:00 AM Fridays and Saturdays and closed on Mondays. There will be recorded background music. The front bifold-doors will be open in the summer months. The applicant also owns another restaurant on 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue as well as other business within the Bay Ridge Community. Although a quorum was not present, it was the sense of the committee that a recommendation be made to approve the application.

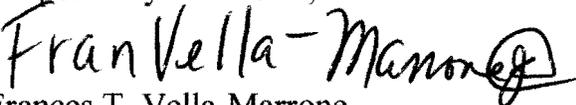
The committee reviewed the latest draft of the CB 10 SLA License Application Questionnaire and some changes were suggested. Revisions will be made to the questionnaire and it will be reviewed again at the next committee meeting at which time the committee seeks to approve a final draft.

DM Beckmann provided the committee with an update regarding the establishment known as Good World located on 62 Street and 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue (the old V Lounge). Residents complained about a fight/possible stabbing that took place outside of the establishment. In addition, there was a march operation which yielded three SLA violations issued by the 68<sup>th</sup> Pct. as well as violations from other agencies. Residents have once again contacted the Community Board office with complaints regarding said establishment. There are strong stipulations associated with said establishment and DM Beckmann has forwarded these complaints to the SLA to make sure they are aware of the situation.

DM Beckmann also reported that the residents in the 70's around 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue are pleased with the attention they have received from the police in regards to their complaints since the last committee meeting. They noticed an increase in foot presence and outreach to the problems that they raised at said committee meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM

Respectfully submitted,



Frances T. Vella-Marrone

Chairwoman

Police and Public Safety Committee

The T & T Committee had a quorum for the meeting held at the District Office on May 13, 2013. The items on the agenda included three informational presentations:

1. Bina Valenzano, Chairperson of Summer Stroll 2013, answered questions about the use of outside vendors at the event;
2. NYCDOT gave a presentation about community “Slow Zones” and
3. The NYCDOT gave a presentation about the Fourth Avenue Redesign for Bay Ridge.

Approximately 25 members of the public attended the meeting.

#### 1. Summer Stroll

The Summer Stroll will take place rain or shine on four nights along Third Avenue from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. this summer: between 80<sup>th</sup> Street and 90<sup>th</sup> Street on July 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> between 69<sup>th</sup> Street and 80<sup>th</sup> Street on August 9<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>.

Ms. Valenzano clarified that there will be no solicitations, no fund raising, no vendors selling on the Avenue and no outside retailers selling goods during the stroll. All retail transactions must be completed within a store along the stroll route. The Merchants of Third Avenue invited outside artists and performers to participate in order to add to the aesthetic and cultural content of the event. The Century 21 Department store parking lot will be open and offer discounted event parking.

#### 2. “Slow Zones”

Robert Violo from NYCDOT’s Safety Research Implementation Group presented information on DOT’s “Slow Zone” program. This application-based program allows a community to ask for a designated zone with reduced speeds in small areas of a community. A quarter acre area (5 block by 5 block) is the norm and speeds are reduced from 30 m.p.h. to 20 m.p.h. to increase safety. An application takes approximately 10 months to process and is initiated through the community board. There are 13 slow zones areas in NYC. The zone is created through signage, street painting, speed humps and prominent painted lines at the edges/entrances to the slow zones. In addition, the entrance thoroughfares are narrowed with “neck downs” or extended crosswalks and parking lanes at these gateways are delineated with a painted stripe to signal the driver that he/she is in a slow zone.

These slow zones are not appropriate for busy arterial thoroughfares. Slow zones have been employed in European cities and produced significant reductions in crashes. The NYC slow zones have shown a 6% reduction in accidents.

There were questions from the committee and the public concerning the rapid deterioration and poor condition of current street markings in CB 10. Claudette Workman, from the NYCDOT stated that street markings are repainted every three years.

### 3. Fourth Avenue Redesign

The redesign process for Fourth Avenue began in 2009 as the request of CB 7 for some safety improvements. Borough President Markowitz championed the request, as well. In CB 7 the NYCDOT implemented lane widening, lane reductions and improved signage along Fourth Avenue through CB 7 in 2012. In 2013 the process came to our community.

In Bay Ridge there have been five pedestrian fatalities since 2006 along the avenue. It is well known that there is a problem with speeding drivers along the avenue. After presentations to small groups, data collection, workshops, community input, data analysis and feedback, the DOT unveiled its plan for the Fourth Avenue Redesign in Bay Ridge. The NYCDOT received 240 online comments on their findings and reiterated to the committee that this is a “community driven” plan. The plan is a proposal and there will be no changes until a public meeting is held on Wednesday, June 5, 2013 at 7:15 p.m. at St. Anselm’s Auditorium (365 83<sup>rd</sup> Street) and until the full Community Board weighs in on the plan.

Jesse Mintz-Roth, an NYCDOT planner, presented the plan. He stated that the plan, in part, is intended to change a driver’s “highway mind set” for the thoroughfare.

At Fourth Avenue and the intersection of Shore Road: at the northwest corner near the Belt Parkway entrance/exit ramps, the curb would be extended to shorten the crosswalk across Shore Road and the traffic dividers nearest to the Belt parkway exit would be extended to slow down vehicles making left turns off the Belt Parkway unto Shore Road.

Between 101<sup>st</sup> Street and 95<sup>th</sup> Street northbound traffic exiting the Belt Parkway would be calmed by reducing the northbound traffic lane to one lane and creating a left turn bay on the southbound side for vehicles turning left unto 100<sup>th</sup> Street. CM Doris Cruz believed that the southbound lane could be reduced to one lane as well.

Between 88<sup>th</sup> Street and 86<sup>th</sup> Street there would be a combination of safety measures implemented. A pedestrian refuge island would be constructed in the middle of the southern crosswalk across Fourth Avenue at 86<sup>th</sup> Street, extend the southwest crosswalk across 86<sup>th</sup> Street (a reduction in a lane of traffic), beginning at that same corner on the southwestern side of Fourth Avenue between 86<sup>th</sup> Street and 87<sup>th</sup> Street installation of an 80-foot fence from that point to the mid point between 86<sup>th</sup> and 87<sup>th</sup> Streets (to discourage drivers from discharging people at the curb in that bus stop), a northbound right turn bay at the southeast corner of 86<sup>th</sup> Street to allow cars and buses to make the right turn onto 86<sup>th</sup> Street toward Bensonhurst (reduction in a lane of traffic), relocation of the S53 and S93 bus stops for discharge of passengers from between 86<sup>th</sup> and 87<sup>th</sup> Street to one block south between 87<sup>th</sup> and 88<sup>th</sup> Streets which would eliminate four parking spaces.

Between 86<sup>th</sup> Street and Ovington Avenue the two lane traffic in both directions would be reduced to one lane in either direction and the parking lane would be increased to 13 feet and marked with a stripe and every intersection would have painted left turn bays. Overall the plan proposes adding 22 painted left turn bays, in total, along the thoroughfare. This section of the thoroughfare has had the most accidents and is considered the most dangerous section for senior citizens.

At the intersection of 75<sup>th</sup> Street the northeast curb would be extended to shorten the crosswalk and slow northbound traffic making right turns west toward Third Avenue. The extension would eliminate two parking spaces.

Between Ovington Avenue and 67<sup>th</sup> Street there would be no lane reductions but a 9 foot

parking lane would be marked with a painted stripe.

At the corner of Shore Road Drive and Fourth Avenue, near the BR Towers, traffic coming from the Belt Parkway along Shore Road Drive gets backed up. The back up was created by the DOT plan that created a painted left turn bay for 65<sup>th</sup> Street traffic. The plan calls for a through lane of Shore Road Drive traffic across Fourth Avenue toward Fifth Avenue that could double as an additional turning lane unto Fourth Avenue northbound. Between Shore Road Drive and 65<sup>th</sup> Street the eight parking spots on the eastside curb of Fourth Avenue that were recently saved would be removed to create the second “through” lane of traffic northbound on Fourth Avenue. These eight spots would be relocated to the southern side of Shore Road Drive between Fourth and Fifth Avenue where there are currently no parking spots. The

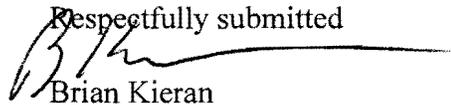
CM Jean Ryan asked about adding auditory signals at crossings at 86<sup>th</sup> Street and 75<sup>th</sup> Street. The committee supported the safety addition. CM Allen Bortnick expressed criticism of the plan and frustration with the DOT planning procedure.

Statistics reflect that Fourth Avenue between 69<sup>th</sup> Street and 77<sup>th</sup> Street is the most dangerous section of the road for seniors. Fourth Avenue has been described as the third most dangerous road in Brooklyn. Fifty-two percent of the pedestrians struck by vehicles had the signal and the right of way. There is a definite need for action.

The Fourth Avenue Redesign Plan is not a “take it or leave it” proposal. According to Mr. Mintz-Roth, the proposal is presented to address issues on the thoroughfare in segments because the avenue needs different things in different places. The community board can accept parts of the plan and propose additional proposals as well. No matter which final plan is recommended there would be a repainting of stop lines, cross walks and street markings along the thoroughfare. A suggestion was made to paint the crosswalks at 86<sup>th</sup> Street across Fourth Avenue with brighter paint to make them high visibility crosswalks. It was suggested that more “LOOK” signs should be painted at crosswalks along Fourth Avenue. The DOT proposed to create loading/unloading zones for commercial vehicles along Fourth Avenue but wanted more community input before adding the zones to the plan. Those details must be specified before the board can vote on a plan.

The time constraints of the meeting prevented a minute examination of the plan or the opportunity to take additional suggestions from the committee. The members of the committee will continue to discuss the plan before the public meeting on June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2013.

Respectfully submitted

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Brian Kieran

**Community Board Ten**  
**Senior Issues, Housing, Health and Welfare Committee**

**Meeting Held on**  
**4/22/2013**

Members Present: Khader El-Yateem (Chair), Ida D'Amelio, Joseph Sokoloski, Josephine Beckmann.

Excused: Habib Joudeh, Katherine Khatari, Eleanor Petty, Mary Quinones, Jeannie May

Absent: Michael Casale, Stella Kokolis, Husam Rimawi, Anna DeMetz, Susan Romero, Judith Grimaldi

Guests:

Jean Ryan, Ray Riley, Vanessa Moduffeni, Iesa Black, Alex Zablocki, Will Bredderman

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 PM.

A presentation was given by a representative from Department of Homeless Services regarding a basic overview of the agency and its services and a report on some street/shelter statistics relevant to the Board and our city.

- The mission of the Department of Homeless Services (DHS) is to prevent homelessness whenever possible and provide temporary shelter to those in need

- Homeless Prevention

- o Services are offered through their Homebase offices citywide

(<http://www.nyc.gov/html/dhs/html/prevention/homebase.shtml>)

- o Among the services that may be offered at Homebase are:

- Family or tenant/landlord mediation
- Household budgeting
- Emergency rental assistance
- Job training and placement
- Benefits advocacy (child care, food stamps, tax credits, public health insurance)

- o DHS also provides anti-eviction services

([http://www.nyc.gov/html/dhs/downloads/pdf/fals\\_providers.pdf](http://www.nyc.gov/html/dhs/downloads/pdf/fals_providers.pdf))

- Shelter services

- o Family with Children (<http://www.nyc.gov/html/dhs/html/housing/families.shtml>)

- o Adult Families (<http://www.nyc.gov/html/dhs/html/housing/adult.shtml>)

- o Single Adults (<http://www.nyc.gov/html/dhs/html/housing/single.shtml>)

o Drop-in Centers

o Their Daily Census is updated on our website:

<http://www.nyc.gov/html/dhs/downloads/pdf/dailyreport.pdf>

· Street Services

o DHS contracts with Street Outreach providers across the five boroughs

§ They work 24 hours a day; the provider in Brooklyn is Common Ground

o They ask that the public notify DHS if they see someone living on the streets and in needs of services

§ Teams are required to go out and engage those individuals within 2 hours of a call

§ Citizens can report someone living on the streets by calling 311 or using the new 311 iPhone or Android app by clicking “Homeless Assistance”

Street Information in CB 10:

**86<sup>th</sup> & Dahlgrene Pl.:** Encampment underneath the 86<sup>th</sup> St. Bridge over the Gowanus Expressway. We continue to check this location but have only come across two individuals about two weeks ago, they reported going into a rehab program, we have not seen them since. No other individuals have been seen at the site.

**Shore Rd. between 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Aves.:** Encampment in brick comfort station (above the restrooms) at the entrance to the park. Two individuals stay here, one we are slowly working with, who states he’s trying to go stay with a friend but if that doesn’t work out he will work with us. The other individual does not engage with the team and threatens the team when they approach. We are in the process of setting up some joint outreach with the parks and will also do so with NYPD.

**67<sup>th</sup> St. & 7<sup>th</sup> Ave.:** Evidence of individuals staying under 7<sup>th</sup> Ave. bridge. Teams have not seen anyone at the location. The location is difficult to access because there is a 10 ft. high fence.

**Brian B. (5<sup>th</sup> Ave. & Ovington):** We continue to work with, was taken to BRC McGuinness for a night but has not returned.

**Richard O. (Bay Ridge & 5<sup>th</sup> Ave):** We continue to work with, was taken to BRC McGuinness for a night but has not returned.

The meeting ended at 7:55 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,



Rev. Khader El-Yateem, Chair

COMMUNITY BOARD 10 - GENERAL MEETING - 5/20/13 -

The Parks Committee of Board 10 met at the District Office on 4/30/13 at 7:00 PM.

\*\*\* On April 9<sup>th</sup> Committee Member Jean Ryan, Board Member Judith Collins, Eileen LaRuffa, Parks Chair of Bd. 11, and myself attended an all-day 2013 Waterfront Conference "Leadership of Our City of Water" sponsored by the Metropolitan Waterfront Alliance. We boarded the cruise ship, Hornblower Infinity, Pier 40 in NYC, at 7:30am and disembarked at 5:30 pm. The beautiful day was filled with a Mayoral Conference, workshops on what led up to Hurricane Sandy, during the storm, and the aftermath, delicious food and interesting discussions. It was, to say the least, a wonderful day .

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\*\*\* ECOdock \*\*\* UPDATE \*\*\* I spoke to Becky Schneider, Program Manager, of the MWA and she informed me that because of Hurricane Sandy they had to do some re-designing of the dock and that Councilman Gentile and Borough President Markowitz allocated additional funds to cover the work. The capital team at Parks said the project was approved and registered and we are hoping that the contractor will be able to move ahead with the project. If everything comes together, we are hoping for a date in ~~late Sept~~ *Sept*

\*\*\* Waterfront Rehabilitation --- UPDATE \*\*\* At the request of Councilman Gentile, Commissioner Kevin Jeffrey, Chief of Staff for Commissioner Jeffrey, Marty Maher, DM Josephine Beckmann, DM of Board 11 Marnee Elias-Parvia, Mike Fieni and I met at the District Office to discuss the rehab at Shore Road Bike Path. The Commissioner explained the damage that was done, answered all our questions, and assured us that the work would be completed by Memorial Day. To date, they seem to be on schedule.

\*\*\* "It's My Park Day" \*\*\*\* was held on May 4<sup>th</sup>. Parks Committee Member Shirley Chin and I volunteered to help at the Narrows Botanical Gardens. I was there with my three grandchildren and our amazing Board Member Shirley was there with her own children and 65 enthusiastic, helpful young scouts and their hard working parents. I was so excited when I saw our helpers arriving one by one and immediately undertaking the tasks that were assigned to them. At one point, I asked two women weeding along the sidewalk where their children were, and I was so impressed when they told me the girls had a ball game and they didn't want to disappoint Scout Leader Shirley Chin because she does such a fantastic job in scouting, and they wanted to cooperate. The scouts meet at St. Anselms School.

Shirley quietly accomplishes everything she sets out to do and I was honored to work with her. \*\*\*

\*\*\*DM Beckmann and I met with the new Parks Manager Stephanie Theyer. We are so lucky to have Stephanie join our "Parks Family". She addresses all our concerns and I must say she is a joy to work with.

Respectfully submitted

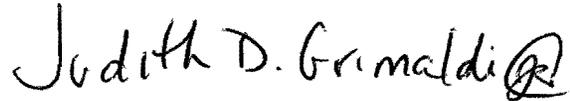
  
June Johnson, Chair, Parks Committee

3. Service in a community or civic organizations.
4. Leadership qualities

The community unanimously selected the following slate of officers and for presentation to the full Board membership on May 20, 2013:

1. Brian Kieran – Chairperson
2. Doris Cruz – Vice Chairperson
3. Ronald Gross – Secretary
4. Greg Ahl – Treasurer

Respectfully Submitted,

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Judith D. Grimaldi  
Chair, Nominating Committee  
CB 10

**STATE LIQUOR AUTHORITY – NEW APPLICATIONS & RENEWALS**

<u>Name/Address</u>	<u>Received at CB 10</u>	<u>Status</u>
TBD, 6314 Fort Hamilton Parkway	5/6/13	*New Application (Liquor, Wine & Beer)
Sams Bakery LLC, 9324 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue	5/13/13	*Change of Class (from Taver Wine to On Premise Liquor)
Mohim's Indian Cuisine, Inc., d/b/a Taj Mahal Indian Restaurant, 7315 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue	5/14/13	Renewal
O'Sullivan's Pub & Grub Ltd., 8902 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue	5/14/13	Renewal
Full Moon Saloon, 8309 5 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	5/15/13	Renewal
Grand Joint Fortune Restaurant Inc., d/b/a Chop Stix Restaurant, 8405 5 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	5/16/13	Renewal
Pam's Bar Inc., d/b/a P.C.'s Bar & Grill, 7215 5 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	5/17/13	Renewal
8 <sup>th</sup> Ave Restaurant Corp., 801 66 <sup>th</sup> Street	5/28/13	Renewal
Perfect Deli & Grocery, Inc., 10 Bay Ridge Avenue	6/3/13	Renewal
Tanoreen Caterers Inc., 7523 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue	6/6/13	Renewal

\* Has been invited to present application at Police & Public Safety Committee Meeting in June 2013.