

**BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 8**

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE  
MEETING HELD ON MARCH 16, 2017  
50<sup>TH</sup> POLICE PRECINCT, 3450 KINGSBRIDGE AVENUE**

**PRESENT**

Joseph O'Brien, Committee Chair  
Herb Young  
Margaret Donato  
Mary Yamagata  
Diego Santiago  
Myra Joyce

Robert Press  
Tom O'Connor  
Daphne Kohavy  
Richelle Oppenheim  
Jeffrey Garcia

**AFFILIATION**

Committee Chair CB8 Public Safety Committee  
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Community Committee Member

Bronx Voice  
Precinct Council  
Resident/Parent  
Smashburger  
Mon Amour Coffee & Wine

Absent: Shalva Gozland, Diomarys Escaño

Chair O'Brien called the meeting to order at 7:10pm

Minutes of the February 16, 2017 meeting were approved unanimously (J. O'Brien, H. Young, M. Donato, D. Santiago, M. Yamagata, M. Joyce)

Police report presented by Detective Inspector O'Toole

**28 day CompStat report ending March 12.**

	2017	2016
Murder	0	0
Rape	0	0
Robbery	7	8
Felony Assault	9	13
Burglary	10	10
Grand Larceny	39	45
Grand Larceny Auto	6	4
Total	71	80

Car break-ins are occurring and moving about the precinct. In most the perpetrator breaks window and takes property.

Traffic: accidents are down, but injuries up. Summonses for moving violations are up.

Robert Press asked if traffic accidents increased after the snow storm. DI O'Toole stated that it hasn't been as bad as one would expect.

## **Liquor Licenses**

### **Renewals**

Smashburger, 193 W. 237<sup>th</sup> Street

Represented by Richelle Oppenheim

Beer, wine, and cider renewal

There have been no problems reported at the location. They close at 10 pm.

The hours for the whole chain are changing to move opening/closing times for an hour, but no decision has been made as yet.

Vote for approval was unanimous (J. O'Brien, H. Young, M. Donato, D. Santiago, M. Yamagata, M. Joyce)

Asian Tokyo, Inc., 4685 Manhattan College Parkway, wine, beer, and cider – No Show

New Tokyo House, Inc., 5648 Riverdale Avenue, wine, beer, and cider – No Show

### **Corporate Change**

Mon Amour Coffee & Wine, Inc. 234 W. 238<sup>th</sup> Street

Represented by Jeffrey Garcia

Change to one owner.

There have been no reported problems at the site

Vote for approval was unanimous (J. O'Brien, H. Young, M. Donato, D. Santiago, M. Yamagata, M. Joyce)

### **Other business**

Daphne Kohavy spoke about the lights being out on the city staircase from Irwin Ave. to Riverdale Ave.

This issue was brought up at last month's Public Safety Meeting, and has not been rectified.

Ms. Kohavy stated that there has been incidents of vandalism.

She was advised to call 311 and this would be brought up at the Traffic and Transportation Committee meeting. (Traffic and Transportation Chair Mike Heller advised that calling 311 was the most effective step.)

Representative from the Riverdale Y expressed her appreciation that the precinct has been sending auxiliary officers to the Y in light of the phone threats being made to Jewish centers across the country.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:25

Submitted by Myra Joyce