

## Bx. Community Board 8 Executive Committee Minutes, 9/7/16

### Attendance:

#### Present:

S. Alexander, B. Bender, L. Daub, P. Ellis, P. Friedman, R. Ginty, M. Goodman, M. Heller, C. Moerdler, J. O'Brien, D. Padernacht, K. Pesce, A.J. Robateau, M. Wolpoff, M. Yamagata

#### Absent:

L. Croft, L. Parker, S. Villaverde

1. Minutes of June meeting corrected to say that the City Council changed certain misdemeanors have been changed to "violations."
2. Chairperson's Report
  - The Board purchased numerous promotional materials to be distributed in the community in order to increase the presence of the Board in the four corners of the district. Each Chair has been given tote bags and bookmarks to distribute.
  - Board members and DM attended National Night Out and the Marble Hill Tenants Fair where we distributed tote bags, hand sanitizers and rulers at the events. In addition, school supplies (courtesy of Riverdale Rotary Club) were distributed at the Marble Hill Tenants Fair.
  - CB8 Newsletter has been distributed. Please notify the office of changes/corrections in meeting dates or locations.
  - The Chair asked that all Chairs review their committee lists and notify the Chair of any changes. Committee Chairs make the final recommendations with approval by Board Chair.
  - An area resident has complained that the building constructed by Self Help is moving homeless into its facility on Broadway. In addition, the individual stated that the building has had a decline in cleanliness and maintenance. The Chair has referred to the Land Use Committee.

- Policy issues relating to development along Broadway need to be considered.
- The Chair announced the Treasurer contacted FISA on August 1, 2016 to remove himself as an approver of Board payments. As a result, the Chair asked the Vice Chair to be the other individual required to sign off on Board payments. Vice Chair Ginty completed her training at FISA to be such approver last week.

3. Treasurer's Report now shows lump sums for OTPS. Council Members Cabrera and Rodriguez have each given \$5000 from their discretionary funds to CB8. At this time some 2017 funds are being spent on 2016 expenditures but that will be rolled back to 2017 budget. Uncommitted funds are available for special projects. There was a discussion of the role of Treasurer to write checks which was referred to LRE to review by-laws as it was on the LRE agenda. Issues were raised by the Treasurer regarding the process for approving payments. The Chair stated that the Executive Committee will discuss at next month's meeting after the Treasurer had an opportunity to present information to the committee.

4. District Manager's Report. The office has been short staffed much of the summer and a few Board members were able to fill in when possible. The student intern began today and her responsibility will include Facebook posts. Budget consultations begin tomorrow at CB12 in White Plains Road. The District Service Cabinet meeting was recently held. There is a new Sanitation Superintendent. A hurricane preparedness seminar was held, targeting children in grades 3-5 in which children are given "go bags." There has been no ZIKA virus found in our area at this time but New York City has had individuals affected by the virus. Two people are attending the Civilian Police Academy for a 10 week class to give experience in police work. The street naming ceremony for Grace Belkin will occur 11/15/16 at 11:00am

## 5. Resolutions

- The Parks Committee presented a resolution for the spray shower behind PS24.
- Public Safety Committee presented resolutions to the Executive Committee. There was a discussion about River City Grill in which complaints were received about minors being served. The business volunteered to restrict entry to customers who are at least 23 yrs. of age and to close the business at 2am for one year. No discussion on other renewed liquor licenses.
- LRE: need to better define retention of records. Members of Land Use and LRE are Board members only; community members are encouraged but not mandated. The Committee is available for presentations on government. No current candidates for office will be invited as speakers.
- Traffic and Transportation: less toll booth staffing may be considered and replaced by electronic monitoring. Barriers at ends of Henry Hudson Bridge might not be possible to remove. North Riverdale received NYSERDA grant to study development of that area. The t & T Chair asked members to look at the study if they haven't already done so.

Submitted by K. Pesce, Secretary