

Executive Committee: Minutes of 2/1/17

Attendance:

Present:

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

Absent:

L. Croft, C.G. Moerdler, D. Padernacht, L. Spalter, S. Villaverde

GUESTS:

R. Press – Bronx Voice, R. L. Palma – Community Association of Marble Hill (CAMH), L. Mercado - CAMH, C. Hernandez – CAMH, P. Fabregas – CAMH, A. DeLorbe - CAMH.

Meeting was called to order by Vice Chairperson Ginty.

-Minutes of previous meeting were corrected to state that report from Self Help Working Group was informational only and not a resolution. Passed unanimously as corrected.

-Report from Vice Chair:

- Applications for reappointment to the community board are due in the borough president's office by 2/3/16.
- 3061 Scenic Place issue, letter was sent to Dept. of Investigation; inquiry to Commissioner's office about status received following response: it is DOI's policy not to comment on open inquiries.
- Borough President's office hosted a Parliamentary Procedure presentation last week for community board members. They announced they intend to host another one in the spring.
- Riverdale Mental Health Association has asked that we not come early for meetings held in its conference room since there are therapy groups occurring until 7:30PM. Groups have been interrupted.

-Treasurer's Report: OTPS balance is \$69,272 with discretionary contributions of approximately \$10,000 from elected officials. \$49,000 is uncommitted. \$9,000 for Wet Land Study consultant includes some money transfer from 2016 which is encumbered to 2017. Item #499=\$1 to keep the line item open. The Board can't switch personal service monies to other accounts.

-Resolutions

- Public Safety approved liquor licenses for Tortoise and Hare, Jakes, P & K Grill, An Beale Bocht.

- Traffic and Transportation: SAPO applications approved for North Riverdale Merchants Assn 258th to 259th and South Riverdale Merchants for 236th-238th.

-Budget Responses: The City's response to CB 8's budget requests were distributed and discussed. There will be a public hearing on February 14th prior to the monthly meeting for public comment and full board comment. M. Yamagata will draft a letter with our Board's response to the important issues in our community which were largely not promised funding.

-Other issues

- A community garden is proposed for the Community Center with the Senior Center on Bailey Avenue and Fort Independence on land owned by NYCHA. A "Master" recycler presented drawings of the project. The issue was referred to the Housing Committee.
- Schervier Nursing and Rehab: no information is currently available on the status of the new ownership. The Chair will be asked to contact the Home.
- Removed mailboxes: Aging Committee may consider sending a letter or passing a resolution. Since Congressman Engel, Assemblyman Dinowitz and Councilman Cohen have already sent a letter to the Postmaster, it was suggested to determine if there has been any response to date.
- No District Service Cabinet meeting in February. It will probably meet in March.
- CB8 mail list: is there identification of addresses by neighborhood? Parks Committee wants to contact neighbors re: a meeting on the basketball courts near Seton Park. The Vice Chair will inquire about the office's mailing list and other office sources.

-Full Board Meeting Tuesday, 2/14/17.

Submitted by K. Pesce, Secretary