BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 8

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON JULY 9TH, 2015 AT THE 50TH POLICE PRECINCT 3450 KINGSBRIDGE AVENUE

ATTENDANCE	AFFILIATION
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Arlene Feldmeier Chair Sylvia Alexander CB8 Lenora Croft CB8 Margaret Donato CB8 Rosemary Ginty CB8 Dan Padernacht CB8 Robert Press CB8 Amy Joy Robateau CB8 Herb Young CB8

Myra Joyce Community Committee Member

Batu Petru Copak Café

Tony Edwards Marble Hill Tenants Association Ramessis Aponte Mon Amour Coffee & Wine

Amir Shaviv Riverdale

Beth Brodsky
Tom Healy
Carolyn Harrison
Eytan Benyamin
Riverdale resident
3633 Greystone Av
Kingsbridge Terrace
Century Building

Susan Davis

Robert Coplin

Henry Hudson Gardens Tenants Association
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Peter Hartmand Henry Hudson Gardens

Orlando Kross Zenda Flowers Tim Koelle Riverdale

Derek Woods Riverdale Children's Theater

Elsa Ballinas Metate

Mallawi 156 West 231 Street Yuval Dekel Liebman's Deli

Ariel Ferreira K-Café

Brian Cawney
Brendan Nolan
Donna Zanolla
Helen Marie Corchadon

Manhattan College
Henry Hudson Gardens
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Adel Assal

Ivelisse Henriquez K-Café

Alberto Figueroa Bridge Tavern Vicki DiNapoli Bridge Tavern

Xavier Orochana

Tom O'Connor Precinct Council

Artemio Colon

Leo Benzairt Moon Café

Laura Rosado Robert Schmedv Frank Pellilo

Vera Navratilova

Eric Harrison 2865 Kingsbridge Terrace

Chaplain E. Padilla 6141 Broadway

Boris Jeanne

Anthony Dianaz Bridge Tavern

The meeting came to order shortly after 7 p.m. in the 50th precinct with the minutes of the previous meeting unanimously approved.

Chair Arlene Feldmeier said she participated in an NYPD conference call describing a new police program to add more patrol officers and to increase the interaction of these officers and the community.

There are no police and fire reports since neither department sent a representative. But Chair Feldmeier told of a man being shot to death in broad daylight on July 2nd on Broadway near 225th Street; of four teenagers being mugged near Seton Park by two men at about 2p.m. on June 24th; and a car accident fatality.

Renewal applications for liquor licenses were requested by Gourmet Dining at Manhattan College, approved 5-0-1; and Liebman's Deli, 552 W. 235th St., Kappock Café, 17A Knolls Crescent, and Metate Restaurant, 3515 Johnson Ave., approved unanimously. No representative of Malecon Restaurant, 5592 Broadway was present.

New applications:

Keenan Bar, 5588 Broadway, had no representative.

Three others (K Café, 5684 Riverdale Ave., Mallwi, 154 W. 231st St., Mon Amour Coffee and Wine, 234 W. 238th St.,) were approved conditional on their signing letters to the Board agreeing to a new policy which includes closing at 2 a.m. for the first year of operation. After that period, with no untoward incidents, they may apply for a later closing time.

Board members questioned whether K Café was more than the required 200 feet from religious or educational institutions so the Board will ask the State Liquor Authority for clarification. The vote for Mallwi was 4-0-3 with some Board members, apparently remembering the checkered history of the location, questioned the intention of the owners to run what they said was to be chiefly a restaurant.

Mon Amour was approved unanimously.

The public part of the meeting was more contentious with upwards of two dozen community residents protesting the mugging of the four teens, a drug dealer working the Henry Hudson Parkway in the vicinity of the Whitehall, and drug use in Seaton Park. Also, a Marble Hill merchant told of storeowner fear along Broadway after the fatal shooting. He asked for a stronger police presence, street cameras, and more night lighting.

The residents were critical of the lack of a police presence at the meeting and Chair Feldmeier said she would set up a meeting with the residents and the police.

Committee members present were Chair Feldmeier, Vice Chair Joe O'Brien, Robert Press, as well as Community Board Chair Dan Padernacht and Vice Chair Rosemary Ginty.

The meetings adjourned shortly after 9 p.m.

Arlene G. Feldmeier, Chairperson Public Safety Committee