

**Minutes of Aging Committee Meeting
Bronx Community Board 8
Thursday, April 16, 2026 at 4:00 pm
Board Office – 5676 Riverdale Ave, Suite 100, Bronx, NY 10471**

[Meeting Recording Link](#)

Committee Board Members in Attendance (2): Barbara Kail Chair, Jyll Townes (ADA zoom)
Lee Chong (ADA zoom), Georgia Santiago (ADA zoom)

Committee Board Members Absent (0): None

Other Board Members (1): Julie Reyes; Chairperson (zoom)

Community Committee Members (CCM) (3): Miryam Rabner representing MJHS, (zoom);
E. Doyle McCarthy, Merrit Claude,

Community Guest: Lili Lopez (Center for Independent Disabled NY),

CB8 Staff: Jaylyn Adorno

Barbara Kail opened the meeting at 4:04

Each participant introduced him/herself and where applicable described the services provided by the organizations they represent.

Miryam Rabner shared Dori Garcia's funding for wheelchair pick-up and drop-off for five people. Jaylyn has the information.

Roll call: quorum of at least 3 Board members was met.

Approval of March Committee minutes. Approved

Chair's Report:

I have finished my sections for the Older Adults Resource Guide; I have been involved with two community-level initiatives: efforts to establish a neighborhood based NORC in the Knolls Crescent/Kappock street area and a grass-roots effort to save the Knolls Crescent/Kappock Street Business District. To that end I have been in touch with Karen Kamaguchi and followed the group's efforts to see that vacant spaces are rented.

Barbara Kail, move we go on record supporting these efforts. Doyle McCarthy seconded. The motion passed unanimously

Unfinished Business

Developing budget priorities is our most pressing business.

Capital budget requests: All submissions to date were reviewed. Julie Reyes suggests we do not limit ourselves in number as the requests serve to document needs. We arrived at the following ranking of requests.

Expenses Request:

1. Maintenance for transportation (buses)
2. Lunch
3. Elder Justice Weinberg Center (Elder justice / abuse prevention services)
4. Upgrades to technology JASA

Capital Request:

1. Transportation wheelchair accessible buses
2. Wheelchair ramps
3. Programmatic and facility enhancements

Voted and approved unanimously.

Older Adults Resource Guide

- Comments, additions and corrections should be completed by our next meeting May 14. Members mentioned a few resources which Jaylyn will add.
- We reviewed the state of each category. We will reach out to Margie for transportation and Aubrey for housing in the community. Other categories have been updated with new information.
- We discussed briefly including assistance with burial arrangements Including the Hebrew Free Burial Society and legal support provided by NYLAG

Our Next meeting is May 14, 2026
The meeting was adjourned at 4:55

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Kail, Chair