

**Minutes of Health, Hospitals & Social Services Committee
Meeting held on February 12, 2007
At the Community Board Office**

PRESENT

Martin Katzenstein
Philip Friedman
Martin Wolpoff
Tony Mueller

AFFILIATION

Committee Chair CB #8
Committee Vice Chair CB #8
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Chairperson's Report:

No Report

Old Business:

EMS Station

- Recap/Discussion regarding the need for an EMS station within CB8.
- Copy of "Citywide Statement of Need 2007-2008" published by New York City Department of City Planning presented. Despite the EMS Station being a top capital budget request for several years, request does not appear in report. Matter to be brought up to Alec Diacou at the full board meeting on 2/13/07.
- Allocation of space within the proposed W230th Street Development discussed. It was understood that all development proposals allocated space for the EMS station but it remains unclear whether funding for stocking and manning the station would be provided. Matter to be further discussed at full board meeting on 2/13/07.

Berger Commission on Hospital Closings

- One Bronx hospital selected to be closed - Westchester Square Hospital
- Full report is available online for further review.
- Chairperson will consider approaching local state representatives to discuss conclusions of Berger Report.

Atria

- Blackout event of August 3, 2006 briefly described.
- Various sections of the New York City Building Code are presented relating to building occupancy classifications and requirements under each classification.
- It is recommended that building code issues be referred to Mr. Charles Moerdler, Chairperson of the Land Use Committee.
- A joint meeting of the Aging and Health, Hospitals & Social Services Committees will be held at The Atria in March. Atria representatives will be in attendance; it is uncertain if representatives of the hospice residing at Atria will also be in attendance.

Misc:

- Representatives of EMS to be invited to attend future meetings.

New Business: No new business

Meeting Adjourns 7:57 PM

Submitted by

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