

**BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 8
MINUTES OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON SEPTEMBER 4, 2012
AT THE BOARD OFFICE
5676 RIVERDALE AVENUE, SUITE 100, BRONX, NEW YORK 10471**

PRESENT

Sergio Villaverde
Sylvia Alexander
Paul Ellis
Skip Piscitelli
Robert Press
Julie Reyes
Xaxia N. Sanchez
Andrew Sandler
Miawling Lam
Aimee Kuvadia

AFFILIATION

Committee Chair, CB8
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rep. Councilman Koppell
Riverdale Review
Riverdale Press

Meeting was called to order at 7:40 pm by Chairperson Sergio Villaverde at the Board Office.

1. Approval of minutes.

Robert Press moved to approve minutes as corrected and Xaxia Sanchez second. Motion passed by acclamation. Corrected none of Robert Press.

2. Agenda items for the new year:

- Monitor former Stella D'Oro – site development.
- Follow up with the West 230th Street project. Working with developers and potential known tenants.
- Get sense of business that would be desirable.
- Board issues: What stores
- Invite restaurant week.

3. Old Business

- Small business services in community.
- Kingsbridge road merchants association.
- Robert Press brought questions as to whether we should make an opinion.
- Robert Press raised issue as to fees for sidewalk café.

4. New Business

- Member introduction.

5. Old business

- Discussion held regarding vacancies on Johnson Avenue.
- Discussion held regarding Riverdale Gardens, committee will request update.

6. Skip Piscitelli will conduct meeting with equity one

7. Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm

Next meeting October 2nd, 2012 location and time to be determined.

Submitted by Sergio Villaverde
Chair, Economic Development Committee