

**Minutes of Public Safety Committee  
Meeting held on October 19, 2006  
At the 50<sup>th</sup> Precinct, 3450 Kingsbridge Avenue**

**PRESENT**

**AFFILIATION**

Arlene Feldmeier	Committee Chair
Captain Dermot Shea	NYPD
Detective Luis Rodriguez	NYPD
Todd Rubinstein	CB 8
Carol Hendricks	CB 8
Anthony Creaney	CB 8
Warren Dolny	CB 8
Alec Diacou	CB 8
Bradford Trebach	CB 8
Herb Eysser	FDNY Union
Candice Giove	Riverdale Review
Tommy Hallssey	Riverdale Press
Aaron Netburn	Local Resident
Tanya Dashevsky	Local Resident
Doug Goldstein	Local Resident
Francisabel Medina	La Tia Restaurant
John Dougherty	Local Resident
Elizabeth Dougherty	Local Resident
Margaret Merifield	Local Resident
Marc Zuluna	Local Resident
Mary Maybury	Local Resident
Bridget Maybury	Local Resident
Michelle Rosenstam	Local Resident
Marie Power	Local Resident
Meghan Healy	Local Resident
Tom Healy	Local Resident
Harvey Phillips	Local Resident
Tony Caffrey	An Beal Bocht Café
Robert Silverstein	Local Resident
Gil DeLorenzo	Greystone Ave
Maureen Brolly	3636 Greystone Ave
Susan Alicea	3636 Greystone Ave
A. Marinos	3627 Greystone Ave
John Devaney	3636 Greystone Ave
James Power	3631 Greystone Ave
Arnie Adler	3628 Greystone Ave
Andrew R. Atton	Local Resident
Joan Suervant-Atton	Riverdale House
Thomas P. McGrath	Local Resident
William W. Taylor	3636 Greystone Ave
Thomas Bohan	3820 Waldo Ave
Brian O'Connor	Manhattan College Quadrangle
Nelson Perralta	2590 Bailey Ave. - Service Station

**Introductions**

The Committee met at 7:39 p.m.

**Motion to approve last committee meeting's minutes.**

**Chairperson's Report:**

- Chair discussed Atria issues as they relate to ideas of various committee chairs in terms of need for a legislative approach.

CERT Team update.

**Police Report: by Captain Shea**

- Overall crime down but there have been increases in rapes, felony assaults and auto thefts. Car break-ins have remained at the 2005 level.
- Number of serious/violent crime slightly up from same time last year.
- Discussed Ewen Park rape attempt on October 2. Area is a secluded but major thoroughfare. Police increased enforcement in the park and there have been some arrests for other offenses, including a group of youths with masks, a BB-gun and a machete. There has also been a problem with homeless persons in the park, and with JFK High School truants. Local residents complained that Ewen Park is a longer-term problem than just the rape.
- Discussed quality of life complaints about disorderly Manhattan College students in vicinity of W. 238 St at Waldo and Greystone Avenue and other locations. Captain Shea said he has met with Manhattan College officials in the hope of closer cooperation. Enforcement has been increased and 2 college students were arrested for vandalism at a residential property. Local residents voiced grievances about persistent and increasing problems with public drunkenness, noise, fighting, vandalism and urination by Manhattan College students in the evening, particularly during late night hours. Particular complaints were made about the rental apartment building at 3804 Greystone Ave, where a large percentage of apartments are rented to students.
- The Committee heard complaints from a local resident about assaults and muggings on Broadway between West 242 St and West 252 St, especially at night from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. She said that the area in front of Lloyd's Carrot Cake was particularly dangerous. Det. Rodriguez said 50<sup>th</sup> Pct. personnel are ready and willing to conduct seminars at each apartment building there, and he urged local residents to increase their interaction with the 50<sup>th</sup> Pct.
- Officer Santos answered questions from residents about the idea of starting civilian and tenant patrol groups. He discussed how Auxiliary Police Officers are important to the precinct and make a real difference by increasing the number of enforcement eyes and ears. Auxiliary patrols also include bike patrol and park patrol.

**FDNY Report:**

- Herb Eysser of FDNY Union complained that the city Fire Commissioner is unresponsive to firehouse staffing concerns.

**Liquor License Renewals & New Applications:**

- Reviewed – La Tia Restaurant, 200-A West 231<sup>st</sup> St. Presentation from owner.

**Old Business:**

No Old Business Discussed

**New Business:**

Committee Member T. Rubinstein made a motion urging Board Chairman Cassino to invite the President of Manhattan College to address the next meeting of the Community Board about the problem of quality of life complaints concerning his students at W. 238<sup>th</sup> St and Greystone Ave. Motion approved unanimously.

Meeting Adjourns 8:43 p.m. Next meeting, Thursday, November 16 (to avoid meeting on Thanksgiving Day).

Arlene Garbett Feldmeier  
Chairperson  
Public Safety Committee

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