

COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 8 BRONX

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
HELD ON SEPTEMBER 18TH, 2008
AT THE 50TH PRECINCT
3450 KINGSBRIDGE AVENUE**

PRESENT

AFFILIATION

Arlene Garbett Feldmeier	CB#8 Committee Chair
Bob Bender	CB#8
Anthony Creaney	CB#8
Warren S. Dolny	CB#8
Maria Khury	CB#8
Bridget Maybury	CB#8
Todd Rubinstein	CB#8
Gregory Adames	50 th Precinct Council
Alice Braeen	Briar Hill
Brad Corsello	Riverdale Resident, had car break-in
Herb Eysser	FDNY Union
Christopher Guidice	
Megan James	Riverdale Press
Michele March	Briar Hill
Cia McAlavneey	Briar Hill
Tom O'Connor	50 th Precinct Council
PO Mindy Ramos	50 th Precinct Community Affairs
Detective Luis Rodriguez	50 th Precinct Community Affairs
Marlene Rosen	Riverdale Resident
Patricia Wagner	Riverdale Resident, had car break-in
Trevor Welch	

Meeting opened at 7:35 PM.

Minutes moved by H. Young, seconded by W.S. Dolny.

Discussion by B. Bender, Chair of Parks and Recreation committee, concerning complaints from neighbors about loud noise in some of our parks after dark. The concern is also about illegal activities. We were asked to think of ways to mitigate this by next March, before the spring-summer seasons. We were informed that the law requires that the parks be closed from dusk to dawn. We will ask the 50th Precinct to enforce this provision when necessary.

A comment was made about the non appearance of the 50th Precinct Commander at our meetings. In the past the commander always attended our meetings.

Detective Luis Rodriguez presented the police report. Car thefts were up last week to 7. The average is 4.

Year to date crime is down 1%. Car break-ins are a problem. The area of West 246th Street between Henry Hudson Parkway and Independence Avenue have had numerous incidents. One suspect was arrested and his record shows 49 arrests in our precinct as well as the 52nd since 2003. He is now serving 30 days. The manager of the two buildings (600 and 630) is being recruited to organize a learning and information meeting with the residents to try to educate them in dealing with this issue.

Identity theft is also an increasing issue.

There were no major incidents in the parks over the summer.

The owner of a new bar and restaurant appeared with one of his partners seeking a liquor license at 216 West 231st Street. Motion to approve by W.S. Dolny. Seconded by B. Bender.

The new owners of the Wave hill restaurant did not appear but the application was approved on a motion by H.Young and seconded by W.S. Dolny.

All renewals except one were also approved. The Connecting Bar at 5697 Broadway has had various problems including shootings and stabbings nearby, and underage drinking. The recommendation of the 50th was to disapprove.

Meeting adjourned at 8:43 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Arlene G. Feldmeier
Chairperson
Public Safety Committee

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