

BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 8

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON APRIL 23, 2009 AT THE 50TH POLICE PRECINCT

PRESENT

Warren S. Dolny	Acting Chair
Anthony Creaney	CB8
Tracy Feerick	CB8
Bridget Maybury	CB8
Marc Beauchamp	Fenwick's Bar & Grill
Juan Cardoso	Fenwick's Bar & Grill
Lynn Schwarz	F.I.P.N.A.
Tom O'Connor	50th Pct Council
Carlos Mondesto	3647 Corlear Ave.
Roger Montesano	FDNY CAU
Manfred Segal	Riverdale AARP
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The meeting opened at 7:35. Warren Dolny chaired in place of Arlene G. Feldmeier.

The minutes were approved.

Detective Rodriguez was unavailable so there was no police report.

The Community Affairs Director for our Fire Department, Roger Montesano, was present and gave a presentation covering various fire safety topics including safety for seniors, escape plans, and juvenile fire starters. He also mentioned that the Department was looking to hire 40 Fire Safety Inspectors with a starting salary of \$38,000 and up. He also mentioned that the Fire Department gives non-certified CPR classes. He left his phone number, and would welcome any opportunities to talk to groups about fire safety – 718-999-1460.

The committee heard from 2 managers from Fenwick's Bar and Grill, which is up for a liquor license renewal. Their hours are 12 noon – 4 a.m., 7 days a week. They no longer have a grill. They use scanners and black lights for i.d. checks. As Detective Rodriguez was not present to give us the police's perspective, we decided to table the vote until the next meeting.

The committee discussed problems with several residences on – 3647 and 3644 Corlear Avenue, 3628 Irwin Ave. and 3644 Tibbett. There have been many problems with college students making a lot of noise, littering, urinating in public, and throwing garbage on the property of those that they believe called the police.

The police have not been able to do much to stop the noise. Complaints to Manhattan College have not been successful. It was suggested by Roger Montesano that they call in the Fire Department to see whether the apartments were legal. Tom O'Connor recommended that people attend the Precinct Council Meeting and talk directly to the Captain.

We have received an application for a license for a "video café". There were not enough details about the establishment to warrant a discussion; however, we were advised by Mr. Wong from the SLA to carefully consider this license, as these locations sometimes have problems with illegal drinking, and internet porn.

Respectfully submitted,

Arlene G. Feldmeier
Committee Chair

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