

Attendance of Community Board 11's General Meeting
Held on Thursday, June 8, 2017 at
The Bensonhurst Center for Healthcare

Present: Bart Allegretti, Ross Brady, Matthew Bromme, Albert Campanelli, Rosa Casella, Msgr. David Cassato, Wai Cheung, Vincent Chirico, Irene Chu, Ruben Colon, Priscilla Consolo, Salvatore D'Alessio, Linda Dalton, Mafalda DiMango, Paul DiSpirito, Charles Farrauto, Shirley Fineman, John Garvey, William Guarinello, Man Wai Lau, Dr. Tim Law, Albert Milone, Nicholas Miraglia, , Caleb Pan, Rabbi Gary Pollack, Antonio Troia, Sonia Valentin, Andrew Windsor, Laurie Windsor, Sai Chuen Yeung, Nicholas Zimmitti

Absent: Thomas Andros, Steve Chung, Claudio DeMeo, Eric DiNapoli, Yonah Glatzer, Anthony Grigos, Ligia Guallpa, James Orlando, Robert Whittaker, Robert Yee

Excused: Eileen LaRuffa

Guests: Jeffrey Krauss, Lisa Garvey, Mike Gregorio – Senator Felder, Jia Lu Yu, Patrick Lewis – Public Advocate -Tish James, Bob Quigly, Angelina Dahab – Council Member Gentile, Charley Dimitriades, Elie Peltz – Congressman Nadler, Olga Fiore – Senator Savino, Jeannine Cherichetti – Council Member Treyger, Rose Ann Ricciardi, Juan Angel – Workers Justice Project, Xicioning Li

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The meeting was opened with Deputy Inspector Anthony Sanseverino having the honor of the pledge.

Public Portion

A resident of Cropsey Avenue spoke regarding the need for truck enforcement on Cropsey Avenue between 14th Avenue and 18th Avenue. He stated that there has been an increase in the amount of trucks who are travelling off the truck route.

Olga Fiore, representing Senator Savino, announced upcoming events in Coney Island and extended an invitation for all to participate.

Angelina Dahab, representing Councilman Gentile, announced budget highlights from the Fiscal Year 2018 budget. She advised that Bath Beach Playground will receive \$4 Million Dollars in funding for reconstruction, as well as funding for libraries, senior programs and schools.

The Chairman inquired if anyone else from the public sought recognition. Hearing none, a motion was made by Matthew Bromme to close the public portion of the meeting. Seconded by Sal D'Alessio. Unanimously adopted.

Minutes

A motion was made by John Garvey to accept the minutes of the May 11, 2017 meeting. Seconded by Bart Allegretti. Unanimously adopted.

Election of Officers

Mr. Guarinello advised that the Nominating Committee presented the following slate of Officers for the 2017-2018 term at the May 11th meeting:

William Guarinello – Chairman
1st Vice Chair – Laurie Windsor
2nd Vice Chair – Shirely Fineman
Secretary – Man Wai Lau
Treasurer – Nicholas Miraglia

The Chairman inquired if there were any nominations from the floor. Hearing none, a motion was made by Matthew Bromme to accept the slate as presented by the Nominating Committee. Seconded by Sal D'Alessio. Unanimously adopted

Chairman's Report

Mr. Guarinello thanked Paul DiSpirito for providing food at tonight's meeting, as well as the Bensonhurst Center for hosting the community board meetings.

The Chairman congratulated Monsignor Cassato on his promotion a New York City Police Department Chaplain one-star chief and Captain Sanseverino who is being promoted to Deputy Inspector.

He further thanked the 62nd Precinct Community Council and Explorers, CERT, the Neighborhood Improvement Association, the Muslim American Society, Community Education Council 20, Community Board 11 members, and all of the volunteers who participated in the Bensonhurst Alliance's Day of Action.

Mr. Guarinello thanked Councilman Gentile for his commitment and support of our community parks.

62nd Precinct

Captain Sanseverino, the Commanding Officer of the 62nd Precinct, spoke regarding ongoing investigations of massage parlors. He stated that there have been multiple arrests at approximately 33 locations throughout the district.

District Manager's Report

Marnee Elias-Pavia advised that the Department of Parks awarded the bicycle concession at Bensonhurst Park. The concessionaire has included surreys, which was not specified in the request for proposal. She has requested a meeting with Parks to discuss potential user conflict on the bicycle path.

The District Manager advised that our office recently received notification that due to an electrical issue the comfort station at Garibaldi Playground had been closed for several weeks. Con Edison has provided temporary electric service and the bathrooms have been re-opened.

She further advised that National Grid will be conducting gas construction on 86th Street from Bay 11 Street to Bay 17 Street, 18 Avenue between 85 and 86 Streets, 83 Street from 19 to 24 Avenues, Avenue S between West 3 Street and Van Sicklen Street.

The Bensonhurst Greenmarket located on 18th Avenue between 81 and 82 Streets, re-opened on June 4th and will be open every Sunday through November 19th, from 9AM to 4PM.

The Department of Transportation has advised that a new traffic signal will be installed at the intersection of Avenue S and West 3 Street. The work is tentatively scheduled to be completed by September 30th.

New Business

Sonia Valentin advised that the 62nd Precinct will be hosting a blood drive on June 23rd, outside of the precinct.

A motion was made by Bart Allegretti to adjourn. Seconded by Ross Brady.
Unanimously adopted.