

**DECEMBER 11, 2012 MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING AND  
REGULAR MEETING JAMAICA HOSPITAL**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**  
**ABSENCES AS OF APRIL 2012**

David Adorno	(1)	Joan DeCamp	(0)	Rabbi D. Pollack	(1)
Inderpaul Ahluwalia	(2*)	Anton Dietrich	(1)	Mohamed Safie	(4)
Akhtar Ali	(3)	H. Singh Duggal	(1)	Maharani Singh	(1)
Evelyn Baron	(1)	Sam Esposito	(4*)	Raghbir Singh	(2*)
D. Bhattacharjee	(1*)	Stephen Esposito	(1)	J. Richard Smith	(0)
Wallace Bock	(3)	Dr. V. Evangelista	(0)	Dr. Stephen Sofer	(0)
Latchman Budhai	(3)	Jan Fenster	(2)	Maria Thomson	(0)
John Carter	(2)	Sylvia Hack	(0)	Joseph Todisco	(4)
Jim Coccovillo	(0)	Sherman Kane	(0)	Marie Turley	(0)
Nick Comaianni	(2)	Patrick Khan	(0)	Seth Welins	(1)
Andrea Crawford	(0)	Priscilla Levine	(1)	Naidoo Veerapen	(2)
Sandra Datnarain	(2)	Kevin O'Leary	(0)	Clark Whitsett	(1)

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

Julio Batista	(1)	Ralph Gonzalez	(3)	Marian Molina	(3)
Alex Blenkinsopp	(2)	Joseph Iaboni	(2)	Ivan Mrakovcic	(1)
Albert Cohen	(3)	Scott Jordan	(4)	Raj Rampershad	(2)
Richard David	(2)	Balbir Kaur	(5)	Regina Santoro	(3)

**ALSO PRESENT**

Mary Ann Carey, District Manager  
Lisa Gomes, Irina Barayeva, staff

\* Absences from a meeting shall mean physical non-attendance and /or failure to be present for voting on two or more agenda items marked "Vote to be Taken" at any regular or special meeting of the Board.

## Legislative Representatives

Wilma Bynum, QBPO  
Marian Gottlieb, Senator Addabbo  
Kate Mooney, Council Member Crowley  
Amir Abbady, Council Member Wills  
Assembly Member Lancman  
Rudy Giuliani, Council Member Ulrich  
PO Severino, 102 Pct.  
Thomas Kulesza, Assembly Member Miller

Assembly Member Mike Miller  
Anthony Lemma, Assembly Member Weprin  
Masis Sarkissian, Assembly Member Lancman  
Council Member Rubin Wills  
Barry Grodenchik, QBPO  
PO Martins, 102 Pct.  
Capt. Sautner, 102 Pct.  
Alex Schell, Assembly Member Hevesi

## GUESTS

Patrick Jenkins, Resorts World Casino  
Terence Cullen, Queens Courier  
Kimberly Currusuo  
Rev. Jannel Doris, Gospel Church  
Michael Roberts, Gospel Assembly  
Harvey Levine, RH Resident

Janet Smith, WRBA  
Ewa Kern, DNAinfo.com  
Azam Bacchous  
Melinda Katz  
Scott Strober, Marbridge Realty

Guest speaker Bruce J. Flanz, President and CEO of Jamaica Hospital wished all a happy holiday season. He reported on Jamaica Hospital's performance during hurricane Sandy, stating that they accommodated over 100 medical shelter patients and sent two mobile medical units to Howard Beach and the Rockaways. Jamaica Hospital is at the top of the 20 busiest emergency departments in the entire country. This is due to the closing of four hospitals in Queens

## PUBLIC FORUM *No Speakers*

## PUBLIC HEARING

### 1. ***Liquor, Beer, & Wine Licenses, Letters of Intent Received***

#### a. **Cabaret License Application**

Envy Café, Inc.  
D/B/A Flirt  
94-02 80<sup>th</sup> St.  
Ozone Park, NY 11416  
*No speakers*

**Chairperson Andrea Crawford introduced legislators' representatives, and asked for updates:**

Assembly Member Miller – wished all a happy holiday season and stated that their office has a new chief of staff Maryann Maltese.

Council Member Wills – stated that there will be a Night at The Movies event on December 20, 2012 and a Tree Lighting Ceremony on December 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012 in Baisley Pond Park. He wished everyone a happy holiday season.

Assembly Member Lancman – announced that he will no longer represent community board 9 in the 28<sup>th</sup> Assembly District because he decided not to seek reelection. He thanked the Board for all their hard work and dedication to the community.

Barry Grodenchik, QBPO- spoke about the aftermath of super storm Sandy and wished all a happy holiday season.

Mr. Grodenchik presented community board service awards to the following board members:

Stephen Esposito for 10 years of service

Evelyn Baron for 20 years of service

Latchman Budhai for 10 years of service

Regina Santoro for 10 years of service

Anthony Lemma representing Assembly Member Weprin stated that they will be representing Richmond Hill in CB 9 and wished everyone a happy holiday season.

Marian Gottlieb representing Senator Addabbo stated that their office in Howard Beach has reopened and wished all a happy holiday season.

Kate Mooney representing Council Member Elizabeth Crowley stated that the Council Woman thanked the Board Members for their service and wished all a happy holiday season. She will be introducing Roman Paprocki, a new chief of staff, at the January 2013 meeting.

Rudy Giuliani representing Council Member Erick Ulrich – no report

## **REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA**

### 1. The Opening of Meeting & Reading of Minutes

Corrections submitted by Maria Thomson: page # 4, Monthly Update 102 Pct., second paragraph Commanding Officer DeLeon should be changed to Deputy Inspector and Commanding Officer Sautner should be changed to Captain Sautner.

Executive Officer Greg Adlenon should be changed to Executive Officer Greg Adelman.

Page # 7, New Business, Maria Thomson's last name was misspelled.

**Wally Bock made a motion to accept minutes as amended.  
Stephen Esposito seconded that motion.**

*Motion #: 1 to accept November minutes as amended*

*Vote #1: 35 in favor, 1 abstained*

2. Monthly Update- 102 PCT  
Captain Sautner introduced himself and answered board members questions.

3. Chairperson's Remarks and Executive Committee Report – Andrea Crawford

- Amendment to CB 9 Bylaws-Article VI-Section 1 (a), (b), and (c) **VOTE TO BE TAKEN**

Motion # 2: To adopt amendment to CB9 bylaws-election procedures Article VI, Section 1 (a), (b), and (c) to: effective April 1<sup>st</sup> following the March election

Vote # 2 Unanimous

Chairperson Crawford reported on the executive meeting with Dorothy Lewandowski regarding the Park's Department dedication to Forest Park. Commissioner Lewandowski was optimistic about doing restoration work. Chairperson Crawford encouraged all to take any ideas to the committee, as they are accessible. She also reported on the Civic Virtue Statue, stating that the Design Commission held a Public Hearing and decided to move the statue to Greenwood Cemetery in Brooklyn. Council Members Vallone Jr. and Crowley along with representatives from CB 9, and local residents held a successful rally on Saturday December 8<sup>th</sup> to protest the move.

Chairperson Crawford made a motion:

Motion #3: To support Civic Virtue statue staying in Queens as a piece of public art as it has since 1941

Vote #3: 35 in favor, 1 opposed

Councilmember Karen Kozlowitz wished all a Happy Hanukah, Merry Christmas, Happy Kwanza and a Happy New Year. She stated that her Chief of Staff Greg Levine is going to work for Congress Woman Grace Meng, as well as Rabbi Pollack, who will be working for her part time. Vicky Morales will be the new Chief of Staff.

4. District Manager's Report- Mrs. Carey wished all a Happy Holiday season and a healthy New Year on behalf of the CB 9 district office, Lisa, Irina and herself. She thanked all community board members and elected officials for the assistance provided to the office throughout the year. Mrs. Carey relayed a special thank you to the Jamaica Hospital Medical Center, their staff and particularly President Bruce Flanz, VP Fred Beekman and Dr. Andrew Rubin for the services they render to our community throughout the year.

5. Transportation Committee- Andrea Crawford reported that there are ongoing issues with the Q37 bus route.

6. Land Use Committee Report- Sylvia Hack & Sherman Kane

- BSA 245-32  
123-05 101<sup>st</sup> Avenue  
Richmond Hills, NY 11419  
*Request for Extension of Term*

**VOTE TO BE TAKEN**

Sylvia Hack stated that the committee recommends approval of the ten year Extension of Term.

Motion #4: To support the request for a ten year extension of term for the variance,  
BSA245-32BZ, 123-05 101 Ave

Vote #4: 35 in favor, 1 abstained

The Land Use Committee invited the principals of Boundary Fence to the January Land Use Committee meeting because they did not fulfill various commitments. The December Land Use Committee meeting will be held on Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>, 2012 (a week earlier because it falls on Christmas).

7. Education & Youth Services Committee Report: Seth Welins reported about the revised regulations recently issued by Chancellor Walcott, including:
  - Mandatory kindergarten program that the state enacted
  - Safety transfers for students who are victims of bullying or harassmentThe next meeting will be December 19<sup>th</sup>, at the District Office.
8. Health & Social Services Committee Report- Evelyn Baron reported on the following issues:
  - There is now a per capita employer tax under Obamacare, in order to fund coverage of those with prior conditions who have not had insurance until now.
  - Close to Home initiative is now in Phase 2. There will be a meeting on January 7<sup>th</sup> to explain what "Phase 2" entails.
9. Parks, Recreation & Environment Committee Report- Joan DeCamp reported on: treatment at Victory Field; bicyclists and other people using it inappropriately. Debbie Kuha stated that they have work trainees that will be assigned to that area to inform people of the regulations. The funds that were allocated by Councilmember Crowley will be used to put up a fence behind the Band Shell to protect the stage. The parking strip between Oakridge and the golf course is in bad condition and needs improvement.
10. Public Safety & Consumer Affairs Committee Report- Jim Coccovillo

❖ **Cabaret License Application**

Envy Café Inc.  
D/b/a Flirt  
94-02 80<sup>th</sup> St  
Ozone Park, NY 11416

**VOTE TO BE TAKEN**

Motion #5: To send letter of no opposition for Envy Cafe, Inc.  
94-02 80<sup>th</sup> St

Vote #5: 4 in favor, 30 opposed, 2 abstained

11. Old Business

Sam Esposito raised a question regarding Racino traffic and stated that he wants DOT to address this problem.

Maria Thomson commended Jim Coccovillo for his work on the Public Safety committee.

12. New Business

David Adorno acknowledged Sam Esposito for his help in organizing the distribution of Thanksgiving meals. Mr. Adorno is having a Toy Drive at 88-18 89 St on December 20<sup>th</sup>.

Maria Thompson stated that the WBID's Christmas Tree Lighting and Menorah Lighting Ceremony on December 7<sup>th</sup> were successful. They lost their tree to Sandy and intend to get a new one by April, 2013.

13. Public Forum

Rev. Jannel Doris of Full Gospel Assembly thanked the board for the assistance and support in approving their street activity permit application in August which was well attended by the community.

He also stated that he is seeking approval for a speed hump that was recently requested on 114<sup>th</sup> St, btwn 89<sup>th</sup> & Atlantic Ave.

Melinda Katz addressed the board and wished all happy holidays.

Wally Bock motioned to adjourn the meeting, Jim Coccovillo seconded the motion.

The meeting ended at 10:30 PM.