



Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting Summary

February 10, 2021

Committee Chair: Kwabena Gabay
Committee Vice Chair: Louise Merchena

Board Members Present: Kwabena Gabay, Victor Cordero, Jorge Hurtado, Chieue Jones, Jamal King, Louise Merchena, Abunoman Rahaman, DM Rivera

1. Introduction Committee Description: The Parks and Recreation Committee represents the community's interests with regard to parks, park services and all park related matters and acts as a liaison between parks users and the New York City Parks Department.

2. Old Business

- A. Sensory Park, Stevenson Commons- *DM Rivera stated that this will be on the District Needs.
*Rick and Melissa from Chamber Property Group gave a presentation and showed possible locations on property for the sensory park. Rick and Melissa stated their company has invested 30 million in the property and a sensory park for children with special needs is something they are very interested in having.
- B. Sports Equipment distribution proposal- BM Ms. Jones stated that there is a detailed breakdown of the Sports Equipment giveaway. The idea is to have a park distribute the equipment to the community. The committee discussed proposal and ways to help with the sports equipment distribution. DM Rivera and Ms. Jones will schedule a call to speak more about this proposal.

3. Announcement *Committee Chair Kwabena Gabay, announced that he will be resigning from the Board due to relocation. Mr. Gabay stated he will still attend meetings.

3. DM Report

- New CB9 office renovation is done, just waiting on furniture.
- CB9 is still doing food distribution/pantry in the district.
- DM Rivera was able to secure 100,000 antibody testing kits for the district.
- Had a meeting with the 2008 Westchester shelter, the meeting went well.
- Bsa coming to board ,

Meeting adjourned: 8:00 PM

