

Chairman Brandon Ganaishlal - District Manager William Rivera

## Social Services Committee Meeting Summary December 1, 2021

**Board Members Present:** Doralina Colon, Daniel Porro, Sharyn Brown, Lenora Easter, James Tynan, Alizia McMyers, Linda Soto, DM Rivera

I. Introduction Committee Description: The social service & housing committee represents the community's interests with regards to social services including senior services, disability, veterans and housing concerns and acts as a liaison between community members and the NYC Human Resources Administration, Department of Homeless Services, Department of Aging, New York City Housing Authority, and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. The Disability Sub-Committee is under this committee.

## II. DM Report

- There will be a holiday toy drive for Board Members, DM Rivera will send out an email to all Board Members with information on this. The toys will go to North Central Pediatric.
- There was a thanksgiving event, turkeys were given out. Event went well
- DM Rivera and ADM Alonzo are finishing up CERT training
- DM Rivera is having final conversations about furniture for CB9 new office
- The committee lists are being worked on by the chairman
- DM Rivera will schedule meetings with committees to go over vision for the new year
- There will be a meeting with BM Doralina and BM Daniel and staff
- The Bylaws will be redone in the executive committee
- DM Rivera and the Committee discussed having a resource guide. Resources are not available the way they should be. DM Rivera and committee talked about having a FAQ sheet and giving out at meetings, with anything related to social services. BM Doralina stated that it's a good idea to update information on hotlines and board members can look and add things that aren't there. The committee stated that programs are there, it's just access to the programs that's difficult. The committee also discussed having an outdoor health fair to give access to information.

## **III.** Announcements

• BM Linda\_Soto stated that there is a new Captain for the 43<sup>rd</sup> Precinct, Alejandro Florentine and shared his contact information with the committee. Ms. Soto also stated that crime rates are high especially during the holidays. BM James Tynan

stated that there are several scams going around with credit cards, and if you receive a call to hang up and call your credit card company directly.

Meeting adjourned: 7:50 PM