



Chairman: Brandon Ganaishlal - District Manager: William Rivera

Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting Summary April 13, 2022

Board Members Present: Chiene Jones, Jorge Hurtado, Sadie Davis, Miriam Sanchez, Lenora Easter, MD Alauddin, Abunoman Rahman, DM Rivera

I. Introduction

A. 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.

II. Old Business

- A.** Park's Committee Meeting to be held at Soundview Park House- DM Rivera stated that because of park house staffing and the time of closing, the committee won't have access to do committee meeting at the park house. Joan Barnes stated that she has access and will speak to a few people and get back to the committee.
- B.** DM Rivera stated that a letter was sent out to the mayor's office regarding the park renaming at 174th street to, Captain William Harry Thompson. DM Rivera stated that there will be an official response from the mayor's office.
- C.** BM Chiene Jones stated that there is community funding for parks and spoke to the committee about getting funding for Virginia Park. The committee would like to request funding from the participatory budget from the Council Members office and funding from AOC's office, to help maintain Virginia and Hugh Grant Circle Park.
<https://www.bxtimes.com/nyc-council-district-18-hosts-participatory-budgeting-for-the-first-time/>
- D.** BM Jorge Hurtado stated that the parks assessment was done in 2015 and shared a survey with the committee. <https://forms.gle/o2mQGQYmHemjogP49>. CB9 office manager Loretta, will send an email to Nilka Martell regarding re-assessing our parks and in regard to requesting funding for Virginia park.

III. New Business

- A.** Chief Dennis L. Devlin Park Reconstruction Survey- Presentation was sent out
<https://www.nycgovparks.org/planning-and-building/capital-project-tracker/project/10231>
- B. Announcements:** Alina Dowe, from the mayor's office introduced herself to the committee. She is the Bronx Borough Director. DM Rivera welcomes Ms. Dowe and stated that CB9 will forward the 174th street park renaming email to her.
- IV. DM Update:** CB9 will be having a shredding event with Council Member Farias on Saturday April 16th, from 11am to 2pm. There will also be graffiti cleanup on white plains road.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:25pm

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