



## Social Services & Housing Committee Meeting **Minutes**

June 5, 2018

**Board Members Present:** Justin Westbrook Lowery Vice-Chair of Committee, James Tynan, Angel Martinez

**Board Members Not Present:** Loretta Masterson, Rosemary Ordonez-Jenkins, Danny Porro,

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**Meeting Start Time: 7:00 P.M.**

**Attendees of meeting introduced themselves.**

- **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.*

### **Speakers/Presentations**

- **Rogier Van Vlissingen, Plant Based Initiative- (Attached)**
- **Ruby Delgado, Ponce Bank-** Ms. Delgado would like to introduce the services of Ponce Bank to the community and learn about the Community Board as well. Ms. Delgado also stated she would like to partner with CB9 to provide services to the community. Justin Westbrook- Lowery tells Ms. Delgado that CB9 has partnered with different institutions before and hope to partner with Ms. Delgado so that the residents of the community gets access to banking services that are important. The committee and attendees of the meeting discussed the different types of accounts and services available. As well as financial frauds, elderly financial abuse, identity theft, mortgage help, etc. Justin Westbrook Lowery agreed to connect the representatives from the Ponce Bank with the Department of Youth and Community Development, so that they can form a partnership of some kind with the Summer Youth Employment Program. This is to allow Youth participants to open savings accounts and checking accounts for their SYEP checks, at good rates for young people.

\*Committee suggested for Ms. Delgado to present at the General Board meeting.

## **New Business**

- **Resolution on Improving Postal Service (attached) – (No quorum)**- The committee and Chairman Nicholas Himidian agreed to have the Postal Service resolution and a proposed resolution of support for the Baloney Ban in schools to be presented and voted on at the General Board Meeting.

\*Justin Westbrook Lowery gave out the EEO Policy from the Borough Presidents office that all Board members have to sign and return.

**Meeting Adjourned: 7:50 P.M.**