



**CITY OF NEW YORK**      **COMMUNITY BOARD 3**  
**MINUTES OF THE**  
**MONDAY, JUNE 5, 2023**  
**COMMUNITY BOARD VIRTUAL MEETING**  
**VIA WEBEX**

**In Attendance:**

**Members Present:**

Alex Abarbanel-Grossman, Ricardo Agcauli, Emad Ansari, Monique Antoine, Dr. Kim Best, Santana Brown-Payton, Anthony Buissereth, Tiffanie Burt, Evelyn Collier, Yvonne Cummings, Ernest Deeb, Aline Estefam, Carroll “Rusty” Fields, Keith Forest, Ivy Gamble-Cobb, Nicole Greaves, Shia Greenfeld, Ahsan Habib, Letty Hawthorne, Oma Holloway, Jada John-Ali, Edna Johnson, Dr. Kerliene Johnson, Ellen Miller, Maliyka Muhammad, Jerome Nathaniel, Aboubacar Okeke-Diagne, Christine Parker, Melissa Plowden-Norman, C. Doris Pinn, Karen Rhau, Carolyn Richburg, Miari Roberts, Wendy Robinson, Suzette Sheppard, Samuel Stern, Dr. Adesola Tella, Alicia Walton, Rev. Dr. Robert Waterman, Douglas Williams, TJ Wilson

**Members Absent/Excused:** Michael Catlyn, Rabbi Joel Friedman, Frank LaChapelle, Dovie Matthews, Kenneth Mbonu, Joel Polatsek, Shnequa Purvis, Abitzel Robinson-Hobson

**Elected Official/Reps:**

Hercules Reid – Office of the Mayor (CAU), David Kahn – Public Advocate Office, Robert Moore – Assemblymember Latrice Walker, Jas Reyes – Assemblymember Phara Souffrant-Forrest, Carol-Ann Church – Borough President Antonio Reynoso, Shelton Jones – District Attorney Office, Elijah Fox – Councilmember Chi Osse, Edward Cen – Office of Comptroller Brad Lander, Helen Foreman-Hines – Councilmember Darlene Mealy, Henry Butler – 56<sup>th</sup> Assembly District Leader

**Agencies/CBOs:**

Capt. Gabrielle Walls – 79<sup>th</sup> Precinct, D. I. Khandakar Abdullah – 81<sup>st</sup> Precinct, Det. Conrad Narcisse – 81<sup>st</sup> Precinct, P.O. Christopher Charles – 79<sup>th</sup> Precinct, Nicole Bryan – Macon Branch Library, Marcia McGibbon – Marcy Branch Library, Sandra Sanchez – FDNY

Chair Anthony Buissereth read the agenda into the record and gave his remarks. He announced the kick-off of “We Are Bed-Stuy” event on June 10<sup>th</sup>, from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00p.m.

A public hearing was held to discuss City Planning Commission on the Proposed City of Yes for the Carbon Neutrality Citywide Zoning Text Amendment (N230113ZRY). The presentation was given by Demetrius McLester, Brooklyn Borough Planner.

Here is a link to the presentation:

<..\Downloads\COYCN CB Presentation w Talking Points.pdf>

No action was taken on the public hearing however, questions were asked and answered by Demetrius McLester and Emily Bachman.

C Doris Pinn, Chair of the Housing Land Use Committee stated that the committee will be meeting on June 14<sup>th</sup>, to discuss this amendment and vote. The committee will make a recommendation to the Board at the June 26<sup>th</sup> meeting and the Board will vote then.

Community announcements were made by the following people:

- Catherine Mball Green-Johnson, Laundromat Project located at 1476 Fulton Street on their events
- Sade Faulkner announced Bed-Stuy Alive Annual event on October 14<sup>th</sup>. For more info email her at [sadefalkner@gmail.com](mailto:sadefalkner@gmail.com)
- Elizabeth Moran informed the board about an ongoing situation with drugs on Nostrand Avenue & Madison Street
- Henry Butler informed about the 600 Macon Block Association (between Ralph & Patchen Avenues) Annual Jazz Night on July 11<sup>th</sup>.
- Sahar Simmons announced an event on August 5<sup>th</sup> for youth 14 and under. For more information, go to [www.bkyouthstreetgames.com](http://www.bkyouthstreetgames.com)
- Henry Butler announced the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Juneteenth celebration on June 17<sup>th</sup>, at Restoration Plaza from 12:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
- Santina Brown-Payton announced the passing of Sonny Carson's wife on June 2<sup>nd</sup>.

There was a quorum with 41 members in attendance and eight (8) absent.

#### **Chair Report:**

- Emergency Order have been extended until June 19<sup>th</sup>, meeting will remain remote until then
- Azania Maitland has resigned from the Board effective May 18<sup>th</sup>. The Board now has 49 members
- He invited members and residents to join in on the “We Are Bed-Stuy” Campaign on Saturday, June 10<sup>th</sup>, from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
- Ernie Deeb has been appointed as Vice Chair of the Transportation, Sanitation & Environment Committee
- A link was provided to Block and Tenant Associations to update their information

Chair Buissereth introduced two (2) letters of support by the Executive Committee for the Bedford Stuyvesant Ambulance Corp. for ratification. He called a motion, and it was unanimously accepted.

#### **District Manager's Report:**

- Department of Sanitation (DSNY) is now responsible for enforcement of illegal vendors
- Department of Sanitation stated that reducing Alternate Side Parking is possible depending on the Cleanliness Guidelines within the district. CB3 has five (5) sections: 31-35.
- The following intersections have been approved for traffic signals:  
Throop Avenue & Vernon Avenue  
Franklin avenue & Hancock Street  
Stuyvesant Avenue & Lexington Avenue

Evelyn Collier, Chair of the Landmarks & Preservation Committee read the Draft Resolution Objecting to a Certificate of Appropriateness for 162 Hancock Street. LPC Application #23-03194

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There was a discussion on the application. Rev. Dr. Robert Waterman made a motion to remove the garden portion from the resolution. Evelyn Collier accepted the recommendation.

A motion was made to accept the recommendation and it was seconded by Suzette Shepherd.

**VOTE: 37 – In Favor; 4 – Abstention; 0 - Against**

[..\..\SCANS\Vote for 162 Hancock Street.pdf](#)

A motion to accept the May minutes was made with two (2) abstentions and a request to provide the recording.

The next Board meeting will be held on Monday, June 26, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Edna Johnson and seconded by Dr. Adesola Tella. The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,  
Beryl Nyack  
June 20, 2023