

**Community Board 9
890 Nostrand Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11225**

**MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY BOARD
HELD ON **November 23, 2021**
ZOOM VIRTUAL MEETING PLATFORM**

Board Members Present

Khyrie Alleyne
Nicolas Almonor
Stuart Balberg
Fred Baptiste
Naomy Baptiste
Rabbi Yaacov Behrman
Warren Berke
Augustine Blackwell
Suwen “Suki” Cheong
Verleen Dozier
Bishop Hamilton Gonzales
Shloma Zalman Hecht
Primo Lasana
Mayna Legoute
Francisca Leopold
Mattijs Limberger

Board Members Present

Christian Loubeau
Carmen Martinez
Vivia Morgan
Patricia Moses
Beverly Newsome
Yankee Pearson
Riel Peerbooms
Amy Pinkerton
Unella Rhone-Perry
Dexter Roberts
Felice Robertson
Rashida Siddiqui
Rashida Sykes
Debbie Timothy
Linda Watson-Lorde
Eve-lyn Williams

Board Members Absent

John Beckles, Jr.
Verleen Dozier
Rosemarie Evering
Tessa Hackett-Vieira
Melanie Lewis
Menachem Margolin
Mary Rollerson-Blackett
Melissa Severe
Chanina Sperlin
Lorianne Wolseley
Cheyl Wright

Elected Officials / Agency Representatives Present

Kings County District Attorney Eric Gonzalez – Karen Crawford
David Nussbaum, NYC Department of Buildings

CB9 Chairman Fred Baptiste called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Presentations

- **Washington Avenue Capital Project, NYC Department of Transportation**
 - Hardened right turn at President Street onto Classon Avenue with curb extension
 - Installation of cross walks at Washington, Classon and President Street
 - Northeast corner of Montgomery Street and Washington Avenue – Curb extension, upgrading of pedestrian ramps to provide ADA compliance
 - Projected design completion – June 2022
 - Bid opening – September 2022
 - Project commencement – June 2023

NYS State Liquor Authority Application

- **D-Avenue, LLC d/b/a The Westbury Inn** – 673 Flatbush Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11225, for a new Wine, Beer & Cider license

Public Session

Public Comment

Business Session

Roll call attendance was conducted and confirmed quorum with thirty-one members present.

Motion to adopt October 2021 General Board Meeting minutes approved moved by Board Member Roberts and seconded by Board Member Rhone-Perry.

- Voice vote: Motion passed unanimously

District Manager's Report, Dante B. Arnwine

- District Office is OPEN, by appointment only. Schedule appointments by emailing or calling the office.
- Agendas have been moved to the top of meetings on the calendar.
- Composting at the Farm Stand
- CB9 Event/ Program & Budget Request letter was sent out today to the Chairs and all Board Members. I encourage you to FULLY read the request form before submitting questions.
- We receive information after hours and on the weekend. Once we receive the information, we send it out to the Board. Sometimes those dates are on the same day the information was sent to the Board.
- To committee chairs, the office will be circling back to confirm meetings date for December.
- Recommended change: Dec 14 and 16th for executive and general board meetings
- Thank everyone who submitted information for the district needs statement. It was submitted to DCP. Once it is finalized by DCP, you will receive an email.
- New website is also finished. Again, if you have suggestions on what types of information should go on the website, please send an email to the office.
- \$10, 602.24 uncommitted in OTPS

Chairman's Report, Fred Baptiste

NYC Board of Standards and Appeals

- CB9 received a submission from a notice from BSA regarding submission for 341-349 Troy Avenue. The request for an extension of time on their application to initiate construction. The update was provided to the ULURP/Land Use Committee. The district office will obtain additional information about the Board's options at this time.

Fenimore Street Application

- A zoning application for the southern portion of Fenimore Street was reviewed and approved by CB9 in December 2016. Due to administrative delays and the COVID-19 pandemic, the application had not yet been submitted to the NYC Department of City Planning. The Fenimore Street Block Association requested to proceed with the application.

Nomination Committee

- The Nomination Committee has been formed for the purpose of filling the vacancy and position of Executive Secretary. The Committee will consist of Nicolas Almonor, Dexter Roberts, Melanie Lewis, Mayna Legoute and Rosemarie Evering. The Committee will be meeting and canvas the Board.

NYC DOF Tax Lien Sale

- The district office compiled and published a list of resources, including virtual workshops and payment plan applications for both the NYC DOF and DEP disseminated via Constant Contact.
- A potential NYC DOF forum to assist CB9 residents, Awaiting DOF confirmation

Voting Items

- **D-Avenue, LLC d/b/a The Westbury Inn** – 673 Flatbush Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11225, for a new Wine, Beer & Cider license
 - Motion to approve the application; Moved by Member R. Peerbooms and Seconded by Member M. Limberger
 1. 1. Voice Vote – Motion passed unanimously
- **Rescheduling of the December Executive and General Board meeting to December 14th and December 16th, respectively.**
 - Motion to approve the application; Moved by Member N. Almonor and Seconded by Member L. Watson-Lorde
 1. Voice vote: Motion passed unanimously
- **Community Board 9 to conduct General Board in meeting format with chat instead of webinar format.**
 - Motion to approve the application; Moved by Member D. Roberts and Seconded by Member K. Alleyne
 1. Votes – No 12, Yes – 8 and 5 Abstentions; Motion failed

Motion to adjourn - Moved by Member Rhone-Perry, Seconded by Member E. Williams

Meeting Adjourned 9:58p.m