

**Brooklyn Community Board 9
890 Nostrand Avenue
Brooklyn, New York 11225**

**General Board Meeting Minutes
March 28, 2023, at 7pm**

- I. Call to Order – Announce Rules of Order for the Meeting Board Chair, Fred Baptiste** called meeting to order at 7:07p.m. The meeting was held via Zoom at the following meeting link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84858396883>
- II. Street Co-Naming application for Crown Street (Troy/Albany Avenues) to “Tomchei Temimim Way”**
- III. Applications to the New York State Liquor Authority**
 - a. **IGR Holdings, LLC. d/b/a Patrick Steak House** – 227 Rogers Avenue (Union/President Streets), Brooklyn, NY, 11225; Application for the renewal of a Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider License

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Elected Officials/Agency Representatives

Bianca Stephenson, Brooklyn BP Antonio Reynonso
Eli Slavin, Congresswoman Yvette D. Clarke
Paurcha Edwards, NYS Senator Zellnor Myrie
NYC Council Member Crystal Hudson
Deme Brown, NYC Council Member Crystal Hudson
Taiquan Coleman, NYC Council Member Rita Joseph
Raul Rothblatt, NYS Assemblymember Brian Cunningham
Justin Freeman, NYS Assemblymember Phara Souffrant-Forrest
Karen Crawford, Kings County District Attorney Eric Gonzalez
Ethan Lustig, Brooklyn Botanic Garden
Marlee Tanlin, Prospect Park Zoo
Damaris Falero, NYC DOB
Valerie Hollingsworth, Esq., NYC HHC Kings County

Guests

Patrick Agard, IGR Holdings, LLCd/b/a Patrick Steak House
Rabbi Yossi Langsam, Tomchei Temimim
Itzel Rivas, IGR Holdings, LLC d/b/a Patrick Steak House
Rabbi Joseph Simpson, Tomchei Temimim

BUSINESS SESSION

IV. Roll Call of Board Members

In the box, mark (X) if PRESENT; (A) if ABSENT; and (E) if EXCUSED			
Khyrie Alleyne	X	Mattijs Limberger	A
Nicolas Almonor	X	Courtenay Loisele	X
Stuart Balberg	A	Mavima Letwine	X
Fred P. Baptiste	X	Erin Mazursky	X
Naomy Baptiste	A	Patricia Moses	X
John Beckles Jr.	X	Beverly Newsome	X
Rabbi Yaacov Behrman	X	Yankee Pearson	X
Warren Berke	X	Milford Prewitt	X
Augustine Blackwell	X	Unella Rhone-Perry	X
Celeste Chase	X	Dexter Roberts	X
Suwen Suki Cheong	X	Felice Robertson	X
Soul N. Creary	A	Rashidah Siddiqui	X
Jamie Eckstein	A	Debbie Timothy	X
Tessa Hackett -Vieira	X	Linda Watson-Lorde	X
Bishop Sylveta Hamilton-Gonzales	X	Theresa Westerdahl	X
Primo Lasana	X	Lorianne Wolseley	X
Mayna Legoute	X		
Francisca Leopold	X		
Michael Liburd	X		

V. Attendance

- a. Members present; Quorum established

VI. Approval of February 2023 General Board Meeting Minutes

- a. Minutes approved by common consent

VII. Committee Reports

- a. Beverly Newsome, Housing –Next meeting April with legal counsel present

- b. Pat Moses, ULURP/Land Use – Brooklyn B will be presenting Comprehensive plan at the April 4th meeting, all are welcome to attend

VIII. Dante Arnwine, District Manager’s Report

- a. FY2024 Community District Statement of Needs was published by DCP and is posted on the board website.
- b. Youth Service Committee held their CB9 Internship/ Career Fair – Saturday March 25th from 12 to 3PM at Prospect Heights High School.
- c. Civic Engagement Commission is having a land use training tomorrow March 29th, 6:30 – 8PM
- d. The New York State Cannabis Control Board will be holding its next meeting on Monday, April 3rd, 2023, at 10 a.m. at Medgar Evers College in Brooklyn, NY.
- e. PUBLIC HEARING has been scheduled by Empire State Development for the ESD UTICA Crescent Mixed-Use Project Wednesday, April 12th, 2023, from 6PM – 8PM via ZOOM.
- f. NYC Free Tax Prep helps New Yorkers keep their full refund including valuable tax credits like the enhanced NYC Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC), at no cost to them. Single-filing New Yorkers who earned \$56,000 or less in 2022, or families who earned \$80,000 or less are eligible for NYC Free Tax Prep.
- g. Tax Day is April 18th! CB9 Free Tax Prep workshop is scheduled for March 30th at 7PM via ZOOM. Info on calendar.
- h. The moratorium on the issuance of business sign violations has been extended to February 9, 2025. Until that date, DOB will not issue violations for business storefront signs that existed before February 9, 2019, and neither exceed 150 sq. ft. in area nor exceed 1,200 pounds in weight, unless the sign creates an imminent threat to public health or safety.
- i. CB9 is partnering with CM Hudson and HPD to conduct a SCRIE workshop for Crown Gardens residents on April 1st.
- j. HRA and HPD services are coming to the district in partnership with CB9.
- k. CB9 will serve as an SYEP worksite for summer 2023.
- l. Reached out to New York Road Runners who hosted the United Airlines Half Marathon on Sunday March 19th to build community relations to prevent the disruptions to the community.
- m. DSS is creating a community advisory board (15) individuals to meet quarterly to share updates and collaborate with the site.
- n. Advertising on buses and subway for upcoming workshops and popups for MTA upcoming popups and open houses.
- o. From Saturday, March 25th until Sunday, April 2nd, you may cast your vote for Participatory Budgeting projects in the district. More information will be given to Board Members and in our e-blast. Participatory budgeting voting tomorrow at Ebbets Field Apartments between 10am and 3pm.

IX. Fred Baptiste, Chairman’s Report

- a. Ongoing dialogue with DOT leadership to resolve outstanding requests
- b. Holiday observances will cause April committee schedule shift
- c. Youth Services fair was a success
- d. B41 Bus Lane soliciting additional feedback
- e. Proposed bus redesign – Transportation may organize another forum
- f. Vacancy of treasurer position

X. Voting Session

- a. Motion to adopt the recommendation of the Public Safety Committee to approve the renewal application of IGR Holdings, LLC d/b/a Patrick Steak House
 - i. Moved by M. Liburd, seconded by F. Leopold
 - 1. Adopted by common consent
- b. Motion to approve the recommendation of the Transportation Committee to provide a letter of support for the street co-naming
 - i. Moved by W. Berke, seconded by Y. Pearson
 - 1. Majority voice vote
 - a. Opposed: C. Chase; B. Newsome; U. Rhone-Perry
 - b. Abstain: A. Blackwell; R. Siddiqui
 - i. Motion carries
- c. Motion for a vote for an interim treasurer at the May 2023 meeting
 - i. Moved by U. Rhone-Perry, seconded by T. Hackett-Viera
 - 1. Majority voice vote

XI. Adjournment

- a. Motion to adjourn
 - i. Moved by A. Blackwell, seconded by F.
 - 1. Meeting adjourned 10:02pm

Submitted by: Mia Hilton

March 1, 2023