

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

**General Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, December 21, 2023; 7:30pm**

**Major R. Owens Wellness Center
1561 Bedford Avenue (Corner Union Street)
Brooklyn New York 11225
Livestream – CB 9 YouTube**

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCciPIIJ01pLvrG0xod1_LvQ

PUBLIC SESSION:

1. Call to Order – Announce Rules of Order for the Meeting

- a. Fred Baptiste, Chair of Brooklyn Community Board 9, called the meeting to order a 7:35 p.m.

2. Presentations

- a. **City of YES for Economic Opportunity Resolution** presented by Suwen “Suki” Cheong (ULURP Committee)
- b. 975 Fresh Application presented by Suwen “Suki” Cheong.

3. Application to the New York State Liquor Authority

- i. IVY Mix d/b/a Entity to be Determined – Application for a Liquor, Wine, Beer and Cider License. Presentation by Connor McKee.
- ii. Deia NYC LLC – Application for a new Liquor, Wine, Beer, and Cider License.
- iii. Bijou BK LLC – Application for new Liquor, Wine, Beer, and Cider License.
- iv. Barbs – Application for new Liquor, Wine, Beer, and Cider License.
- v. Mama Louisa Hero Shop – Application for the renewal Beer and Cider License.

PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION: (30 Minutes Maximum)

The following community members addressed the meeting under the Public Comment Session:

Maxine Barnes

Alicia Boyd

Cheryl Bernard

Kim Robinson

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS: Elected Officials & NYC Agency Representatives

Bianca Stephenson – Brooklyn Borough President Antonio Reynoso

Karen Chambers – Brooklyn District Attorney Office, Eric Gonzalez
 Taquan Coleman – NYC Councilwoman Rita Joseph
 Arna Lipkin – IDCC
 David – NYC Commission on Human Rights
 Karl Cohen – President, 71st Precinct Community Council

BUSINESS SESSION:

1.Roll Call of Board Members

		X = Present	A=Absent	EXC= Excused		
1	Maria Acosta	A	24	Erin Mazursky	A	
2	Nicolas Almonor		25	Jean Rene Mbeng Nguema	A	
3	Fred P. Baptiste	X	26	Natoya McGhie	A	
4	Jenelle Bazil- Charles	A	27	Zlati Mochkin	X	
5	Rabbi Yaacov Behrman	EXC	28	Patricia Moses	EXC	
6	Alethea Best	X	29	Beverly Newsome	X	
7	Augustine Blackwell	X	30	Ethan Norville	A	
8	Celeste Chase	X	31	Paul Pascale	A	
9	Suwen “Suki” Cheong	X	32	Yankee Pearson	EXC	
10	Max Coen	A	33	Vanessa Raptopoulos	X	
11	Eve Chavi Cohen	X	34	Unella Rhone-Perry	X	
12	Soul Creary	A	35	Dexter Roberts	A	
13	Candace Edwards	A	36	Felice Robertson	X	
14	Bishop Sylveta Hamilton-Gonzales	A	37	Binyomin Rosenberger	A	
15	Rod Herbert	X	38	Dionne Saab	A	
16	Yosef Hershkop	A	39	Omari Scott	A	
17	Ronisha LaBarrie	A	40	Debbie Timothy	A	

18	Primo Lasana	X	41	Twyla Ware	X
19	Mayna Legoute	X	42	Linda Watson-Lorde	X
20	Yisroel Lehrer	A	43	Theresa Westerdahl	X
21	Francisca Leopold	X	44	John Woefling	X
22	Courtenay Loiselle	X	45	Lorianne Wolseley	A
23	Letwine Mavima	A	46	Shmuel Zfatman	A

Totals: Present: 21 Absent: 22 Excused: 3

2. **Approval of the November 2023 General Board Meeting Minutes**
 - a. Due to the lack of a quorum the minutes of the November 2023 meeting was deferred to the next duly held meeting.
3. **Committee Chair Reports**
 - a. Minutes and reports of the committees were submitted by the Committee Chairs and such was already shared with the Board Members.
 - b. Suwen “Suki” Cheong, share information on an upcoming Green Fast Track meeting to be held on January 29, 2024.
4. **District Office/ Administrative Report**
 - a. Letters were sent to the Department of Buildings (DOT) on the various issues in the community as submitted to/shared with the CB 9 Office.
 - b. The 2024 Alternate Parking calendar was published.
https://assembly.state.ny.us/write/upload/req/nyc_parking_calendar.pdf
 - c. Community Boards Application deadline is Feb 19, 2024.
 - a. <https://form.jotform.com/232983867919175>
 - d. Participatory Budget was opened, at CM Rita Joseph and CM Hudson’s offices.
 - e. Department of Sanitation (DOS) issued the holiday schedule for the trash collections.
 - f. Department of Design and Construction (DDC YNC) announced the schedule for repairs on sidewalks in the district.
 - g. The Department of Transportation (DOT) did a “walk-thru” on the area of Flatbush Avenue and Lincoln Road.
 - h. Highlighted the number of SLA apps for smoke shops on Nostrand Ave. DM had a dialogue with the Principal of PS 61 on similar issues.
 - i. The Red Cross was hosting Fire Safety events in the district.
 - j. Encouraged all Board Members to sign up for the CB9 E-Blast as well and share with the community.

5. Chairman's Report

- a. The chaired addressed the issue of attendance of Board Members at Board and Committee Meetings as well as the overall attendance of Committees Membership.
- b. The Community Fair 2024 is fast approaching. Discussions of some will be entertained at the January meetings with responses expected at the February General board meeting.
- c. Invited members who are interesting to re-apply for the 2024 Community board to submit applications ASAP.
- d. Instructed the meeting, that without a quorum all voting items was suspended at this meeting.

6. Voting Items

- a. Due to the lack of a quorum, it was not possible to accommodate the voting items at this meeting.

7. Other Business

- a. none

8. Adjournment

- a. Fred Baptiste, Chair of Brooklyn Community Board 9, adjourned at approximately 8:45 p.m.

Submitted by:

Linda Watson-Lorde

Executive Secretary CB 9 December 2023