



Community Board 12

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 DISTRICT MANAGER

Minutes of the General Meeting

Wednesday, September 18, 2024
 7:00pm

Members Present - 35		
Sophia Abel	Mohammad Ali	Angela Allen
Pamela Bluford	Maxine Brannon	Manuel Caughman
Kenny Carter	Jennifer Delatour	Jonnel Doris
Glenn Greenidge	Frankco Harris	Vishal Hardowar, Esq.
Nurul Haque	Rene Cheatham Hill, Treasurer	Crystal Isaac
Khondokar Tarikul Islam	Audrey Lee Jacobs	Celeste James
Clementine James	Sharmayne Jenkins	Al Hassan-Kanu
Bilal Karriem, 1st Vice Chairperson	Latoya LeGrand	Bernadette Logan
Marcia Francis	Abdus Salaam Musa, Parliamentarian	Akther H. Rahman
Krystal Roberts	Amit Shivprasad	Christopher Smith

Rev. C. Princess Thorbs-McGee, Chairperson	Toni Totten2nd Vice Chair	Linette Townsley
Khari White, 3 rd Vice Chairperson	Patricia Wooden	
Members Absent/Excused-14		
Ahnaf Alam	Wanda Best	Jacqueline Boyce
Jean Randolph-Castro	Jolander Headley	Leonard Jacobs
Chantel Johnson	Dawn Kelly	Sharon Sweeting-Lindsey
Benjulkys Martinez	Donald Murphy	Shah Nawaz
Jeanette Wilson	Andrew Wilkins	

Rev. Thorbs welcomed attendees and called the general meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

Chairperson's Report – Rev. Carlene Thorbs

Chairperson Thorbs welcomed Community expressed gratitude and welcomed everyone back from their summer break. They emphasized the importance of having a quorum for voting on certain items. Community also led a prayer, seeking blessings, peace, and favor for everyone present, including their children.

Chairperson Thorbs read the announcements of upcoming events in the community.

District Manager's Report – Yvonne Reddick

Beginning November 12, 2024, all trash must be set out in a bin with a secure lid. You can use a compliant bin (55 gallons or less with a secure lid that you already have, but starting June 2026, you must use an Official NYC Bin). Official NYC Bins are only available for purchase online at: www.bins.nyc ; multiple sizes available.

Speed Hump Approval

- Foch Boulevard between Sutphin Boulevard and 155th Street
- 164 Street between 120th Avenue and 122nd Avenue
- 196th Street between Hillside Avenue and Jamaica Avenue

Installation will take place when resources are available.

Public Forum

Ms. Patricia Wrencher, mother of Andre Saunders, a young bus driver who was tragically killed, has proposed a street change co-naming on 109th Road between 167th Street and 169th Place to Andre (Dre. Most) Saunders Road. His mother, Donna, and co-worker, James Lee, shared their memories and expressed their love for him. Andre was remembered as a peacemaker who

encouraged people to put down their guns and pick up cameras. His mother emphasized the importance of his legacy, and the challenges faced by bus operators. The group concluded with a sense of unity and a desire to honor Andre's memory. A community member also shared their personal connection to Andre, a local entrepreneur and visionary who was tragically lost.

Motion made by Linette Townsley to approve the street name change, seconded by Bilal Karriem; motion passed.

29 Members Approved 0 opposed 3 Abstention

Ms. Rhodes, daughter of Charles J. Adams, a prominent figure in St. Alden's community and New York City, proposed a street re-naming on the corner of intersection of 204th Street and 10th Avenue. Mr. Adams was remembered for his contributions to public service, education, and community development. He served in the United States Post Guards and the New York City Police Department, and later held positions such as Deputy Commissioner for the Civilian Complaint Review Board and Executive Director of New York State Education Department. After retiring, Adams continued to serve his community as a basketball coach and mentor. He was also a member of the Holy Name Society, the Knights of Columbus, and the Black Law Enforcement program.

Motion made by Vishal Hardwar to approve the street name change, seconded by Glenn Greenidge; motion passed.

29 Members Approved 0 opposed 2 Abstention

Bilal Karriem made a motion to open the Business Section, seconded by Glenn Greenidge. The motion passed.

Business Session

Bilal Karriem made a motion to accept the June 19, 2024, minutes with any corrections. The motion was seconded by Toni Totten; and passed.

Maxine Brannon made a motion to close the Business Section, seconded by Toni Totten. The motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 pm as there was no other business.