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GENERAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

April 23, 2018

**BELLEROSE ASSEMBLY OF GOD
240-15 HILLSIDE AVENUE
BELLEROSE, NY**

Attendance

Present:

Isa Avery; Corey Bearak; Bryan Block; Verdell Boncoeur; Kyle Bragg; Jacqueline Campbell; Barbara Clements; Delroy Dawkins; James Delaney; Samuel Elliott; Seymour Finkelstein; Lorraine Gittens-Bridges; Robert Glover; Felice Hannah; Richard Hellenbrecht; Fay Hill; Bonnie Huie; Mohamood Ishmael; Franck Joseph; Rhonda Kontner; Antony Kuncheria; Kangel Moore; Curlene Nelson; Marcia O'Brien; Michael O'Keeffe; Tameka Pierre-Louis; Celeste Powers; Nagassar Ramgarib; Anup Ramnauth; Peter Richards; Ashok Satkalmi; Steven Taylor; Mathew Thomas; Sanu Thomas; Lourdes Villanueva-Hartrick; Pritpal Singh Walia; Clive Williams; Jackie Wilson; Jerry Wind

Absent:

Angela Augugliaro; Terence Banks (R); Alain Berrouet; Mizanur Choudhury; Tanya Cruz; Bess DeBetham; Terryl Ebony DeMendonca (R); Charles Farruggia; Vernal Holder; Andy Laine (BA); Jonathan Logan; Nantasha Williams (BA)

*R- Resigned from Board

*BA – Before Appointment to Board

The Board Chairman Clive Williams called the meeting to order at 7:40 PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by District Manager Mark McMillan.

The Board Chair acknowledges BM Kyle Bragg for his appointment to the New York City Charter Review Commission by Mayor Bill de Blasio.

The Board Chair congratulates Curlene Nelson on her son being accepted to the U.S. Naval Academy and acknowledges his two peers. A ceremony was held for all three and their parents at **Congressman Gregory Meeks' Office**.

The Board Chair congratulates Casey Lajszky of **Assembly Member David Weprin's Office** on her promotion to Deputy Chief of Staff.

Chairman's Report:

- Congressman Meeks speaks at the Cambria Heights ...
- Two Highlights:
 - Co-naming of 254 Street and Union Turnpike with Jack Friedman
 - Gives a tribute on his work on the board and as Queens Chamber President.
 - Queens Civic Congress Luncheon:
 - Impact of how many people spend their time giving back.
 - Thanks BM Richard Hellenbrecht for extending the invitation.
 - Pay attention to the Nomination process -
 - Do not slip out – board members have a responsibility to choose their leadership.

Elected Official Representatives announce their affiliations

*Nathaniel Hezekiah, **Congressman Meeks' Office**:*

- Flyer on Postmaster
- Information on new Medicaid cards

*Justin Connor, **Congressman Suozzi's Office**:*

- Brochures on back table on Queen's office and date of upcoming open house

DM Report:

- In Sentinel.
- Appeal to join and participate in Committee meetings.

Inspector Jeffery Schiff – Commanding Office of 105 Precinct

- Meeting date changed.
 - Updates
- Crime down 11% for the year, 6% for the month.
- NCO Rollout Meeting – time/date/location

- o Elected Officials/ Chief of Department/ Chief of Borough.
- o Ask questions.
- o Learn about nuances of neighborhood policing.
- o They have already started, come meet them, get their cell phone numbers.
 - Local meetings by neighborhood will follow rollout event.
- o Bottom-up enforcement, helping soothe the wounds of aggressive policing.

BM Kyle Bragg: Are these beat officers walking the streets?

A: Yes, for a purpose, not random.

BM Bonnie Huie: If there is a problem, how do you get in touch [with them]?

A: They will give you their cell phone numbers. They are assigned to a specific geographic area.

Juliet Lewis: How many Officers?

A: 72; 12 NCOs and another 60. 12 per sector (5 sectors). Will not be transferred out. No Manhattan details.

BM Mohammed Ishmael: Contact for emergency?

A: Dial 911. NCO's are for criminal intelligence.

Sharon Smith: I have a recurring problem with neighbor (retired fireman) who play's loud, profane music.

A: Give information to officer in the back. (Officer Fitzgerald)

BM Pritpal Walia: Introduction to NCOs...

A: The [Rollout] Program will introduce the assigned officers. April 30, 2018, 7 PM, Queens High School of Teaching. Doors open at 6:30 PM... food will be served.

Approve the March Meeting Minutes

BM Mohammed Ismael: Moves to accept minutes.

BM Richard Hellenbrecht: 2nds motion.

Unanimous voice vote approval.

Roll Call by Executive Secretary.

Presentation

Chair introduces "Queens Connection."

Queens Connection

BM Richard Hellenbrecht:

- Importance of the Airport.
- Gives background on Governor Cuomo's \$10B investment at JFK.
- Going to affect everyone in the area but also has many opportunities.
- His background working with Delta at Terminal 4 to get 22% MWBE participation.
- Tells of options for labor and businesses should get M/WBE certified.
- PANYNJ.gov – search for MWBE under "Doing Business".

BM Corey Bearack: I do not see anyone from CB13 on document passed around.

Glen Greenidge: Jim [Heyliger], Philippa [Karteron] come forward.

Why no participation?

Overview of community benefits.

BM Corey Bearack: Airport items go to this Board. CB13 should be the lead with the airport. We need to understand "our" responsibility with the airport.

James Heyliger: JFK and LGA have Roundtables. [Queens Connection] is an apolitical organization.

BM Bryan Block: CB13 should take the lead in this initiative.

Rene Hill, CB12 Chair: Not a CB12 idea, rather a James Heyliger idea. We need to organize collectively.

BM Lorraine Gittens-Bridges: They have been out there. This has not been a secret.

BM Curlene Nelson: Send a list of days and times of all upcoming meetings to District Manager.

QC: Asking for a vote on Resolution to support a "Community Benefits Package." Outside of Elected Officials.

BM Tameka Pierre-Louis: Do you have a Google Drop Box on meetings that have happened so far?

Philippa Karteron: No. But what a great idea, we will make it happen.

BM Tameka: Have you connected to Jamaica Now Leadership Council?

Philippa: Yes. Several of us are part of this.

Dr. Arthur Hackett: Confused. How can I get involved? Do I have to be a member of a Board?

Chair: Call the QCB13 Office and you can get on any committee. Give phone number.

Glen Greenidge: You can also join an engagement group.

Dieusita Jean, Assembly Member Vanel's Office: Young people who want to have business on kiosk at the airport...

Glen Greenidge: Looking to do capacity building.

James Heyliger: Asking Port Authority for \$1M to start this process.

Student: Any indication by elected officials that they will implement anything on the proposal?

Philippa Karteron: Speaks about her background, expertise on AirTrain project.

Shurn Anderson, Queens Borough President Katz's Office: The Governor's Office has sat with the Borough President and Southeast Queens legislators; nothing is settled and everything is on the table.

Chair: The ask? A proposal?

BM Kyle Bragg: Motion they came, motion to support Queens Connection efforts to facilitate discussion.

BM Tameka Pierre-Louis: 2nds motion. BM Corey Bearak: Amendment – CB13 supports efforts to create a Community Benefits Plan.

BM Kyle Bragg: Separate issue to support.

BM Corey Bearak: CB13 supports and recognizes development of Community Benefits Package Agreement.

BM Felice Hannah: Does not like the word "support" wants "collaborate".

BM James Delany: "Should we confer with the Land Use Committee."

Chair Clive Williams: Richard Hellenbrecht is saying "no".

BM Kyle Bragg is asked to repeat his motion.

BM Kyle Bragg – "...be in support of Queens Connection's work to facilitate discussions on the JFK Redevelopment Project."

BM Corey Bearak: Suggests amendment - "Community Board 13 supports efforts to create a Community Benefits Package as part of the Airport Development Plan."

BM Kyle Bragg: I agree with Corey but, the point is that as a Community Board, we have every opportunity to create our own motion on how we engage the Port Authority because as you (Corey) said, it is in our jurisdiction. I think it is smart to be in support of their efforts.

BM Corey Bearak: Recommendation – “Community Board 13 supports efforts and recommends the development of a Community Benefits Package as part of the Airport Development Plan.”

BM Kyle Bragg: Are you excluding Queens Connection? [Chatter] I'll follow your (Corey's) lead.

DM Mark McMillan – “Can you (Corey) say it again?”

BM Corey Bearak - Repeats amendment.

BM Felice Hannah – Thank you for the opportunity. I appreciate all of the work that has been done. Recommends Community Board 13 work with Community Board 12, Community Board 14 and other interested parties.

Chair Clive Williams: Corey can you handle that technicality? Supports and collaborates?

BM Corey Bearak: To me, they are one in the same.

Chair Clive Williams: Because I am Chair, I have to solve that quandary. Since you say you can use it interchangeably, in my opinion, I agree that we all can collaborate. Could you finish off the motion?

BM Corey Bearak: I think that what we are hearing is, **“Community Board 13 recommends the development of a Community Benefits Package and commits to collaborating with Community Boards 12, 14 and other interested Community Boards and Community Organizations.”**

Chair Clive Williams: Asks for second on motion.

BM Felice Hannah: Seconds motion.

Unanimous vote of support.

Embrace Your Kidz - Parade

- Route: Linden Boulevard and 235 Street, right on Francis Lewis Boulevard to Campus Magnet. Father's Day event.
- Organizers: Patrick Blanc 646.996.6623, Barrington White.
 - Trying to recapture the lost sense of community.
- Date: June 16, 2018 for CB13 to be in support of 1st Annual “Youth Empowerment Day Parade.”
- Honoring 5-12 Graders.
- CB13 to collaborate.

- Patrick Blanc a NYPD detective since 1995; he believes in giving back to community.
- Barrington is from Cambria Heights and owns barbershop there.
- Giving graduates a feeling from the neighborhood that they can see and celebrate in their achievements.
- They have a sports program.
- Kids in his soccer program will march in the parade.
- Wants community support to make his kids feel special.
- Some businesses are showing support.
- Ask them to come back to community.
- His purpose as a service industry person.

BM Lorraine Gittens-Bridges: They do good work and have been supporting the youth in the community for many years.

BM Marcia O'Brien: Rosedale Civic will support; invites them to [Rosedale] Memorial Day Parade.

BM Steven Taylor: Met with them bringing idea to Cambria Heights Civic, wants to support with table [at Campus Magnet High School reception area].

BM Fay Hill: Very happy. Community work is important for our kids to go to college. She had a clean-up day at Springfield Park recently and no local kids came out... the kids that participated came from Flushing by bus.

BM Jackie Wilson: Will talk to his [veterans] command to support.

BM Robert Glover: Federated Blocks of Laurelton will support.

BM Kyle Bragg: Sits on the Board for "My Brother's Guardian" and will set up a collaboration.

BM Jackie Campbell: Join Laurelton Memorial Day Parade at 9 AM on May 28, 2018.

BM Marcia O'Brien: Rosedale Parade follows.

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- Youth Empowerment Day Parade (in Cambria Heights)
 - Cambria Heights Sports Association

BM Jackie Campbell: Have you reached out to libraries?

Nominating Committee

BM Richard Hellenbrecht: Last year [some things] were not appropriate. Nominate, accept or not. Sit down.

BM Michael O'Keeffe: Speaks about experience as Nomination Committee Chair last year.

Nominations:

1. Kyle Bragg: Nominates Delroy Dawkins – accepts.
2. Robert Glover: Nominates Bryan Block – accepts.
3. Rhonda Kontner: Nominates Barbara Clements – accepts.
4. Jackie Campbell: Nominates Marcia O'Brien – accepts.
5. Marcia O'Brien: Nominates Jackie Campbell – accepts.
Mohammed Ishmael: Nominates Michael O'Keeffe – declines.
6. Barbara Clements: Nominates Steven Taylor – accepts.
7. Bryan Block: Nominates Richard Hellenbrecht – accepts.

Chair Clive Williams asks BM Richard Hellenbrecht to Chair the Nomination Committee – accepts.

Motion made to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Mark McMillan
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