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THE CITY OF NEW YORK
Community Board 2
BOROUGH OF STATEN ISLAND

MINUTES

Regular Monthly Meeting of the Full Board
Tuesday, January 16, 2024 - 7:00 P.M.
Joan & Alan Bernikow JCC of Staten Island
1466 Manor Road
Staten Island, New York 10314
<https://youtube.com/live/pTn4-7AiPo>

The regular monthly meeting of the Full board took place on Tuesday, January 16, 2024 at 7:00 P.M. in the social hall of the Joan & Alan Bernikow JCC of Staten Island, 1466 Manor Road, Staten Island, NY 10314.

Chair Fred R. Guinta opened the meeting at 7:05 P.M. with the pledge of allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Second Vice Chair Rosanne Clift took the roll call attendance. A quorum was present.

Board Members Present: Shawn Abraham, Valerie Aliffi-Maroney, Dr. Deborah Cognata, Ben D'Amato, Anselmo S. Genovese, Fred R. Guinta, Jordan Hafizi, Diane L. McNamara, Mendy Mirocznik, Florida Qello, Joseph Torres, Stephen W. Zaderiko, Steven J. Zboinski.

Board Members Absent: Olu A. Ajayi, Igor Baboshkin, Raymond Burt, Rosanne Clift, Simone DiTrapani, Julie Freeman, Roy J. Garlisi, Gurdev S. Kang, Dr. Mohammad Khalid, Michael Lanza, Dr. Allan B. Perel, Leutrim Qoku, Dr. Ramanathan Raju, Gerard J. Ruggiero, Dr. Donna Seminara.

Staff Present: Debra A. Derrico, District Manager.

Representatives of Elected Officials Present:

Nina Salerno for State Senator Jessica Scarcella-Spanton
Ian Yanda for State Assembly Member Michael Tannousis
Nicholas Robbins for State Assembly Member Sam Pirozzolo
Francesca Gallelli for District Attorney Michael E. McMahon

Agency Representatives:

Catie Ferrara-Iannitto, Director, Staten Island Office of NYC Department of City Planning
Puneet Singh, Staten Island Planner for NYC Department of City Planning
Benjamin Huff, NYC Department of City Planning

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Guests: Joseph McAllister, Rosanne McAllister, Zhana Krot, Margie Parada, Tom Backis, Juan Hernandez, Vincent Valderama, Diane Viggiano, Maria Parada, Clifford Kennet.
Public Speaker Session Continued:

Frederick Marte spoke about NYC Smoke-Free, a program of Public Health Solutions that works to increase tobacco-free norms throughout New York City so that every resident has the right to breathe clean, smoke-free air where they live, work, and play.

Nicholas Robbins for State Assembly Member Sam Pirozzolo

Jennifer Miller for NYC Department of Parks and Recreation gave an update on upcoming events.

Carol Donovan, president of Richmondtown & Clarke Avenue Civic Association spoke of her opposition to the proposed “City of Yes for Economic Opportunity.”

Alicia Boyd of MTOPP expressed her opposition to the “City of Yes for Economic Opportunity.”

Francesca Gallelli of the RC District Attorney’s office spoke about the overdose epidemic on SI.

Jermaine Williams, SI Ambassador for the NYPD reported on the Blue Chip program, an initiative for children ages 12 to 18 to be mentored and join in activities like flag football, soccer, hockey, and basketball.

Chair Guinta called for a motion to accept the proposed agenda. A motion was made and seconded. The agenda was unanimously approved.

Chair Guinta called for a motion to accept the December 19, 2023 Full Board Minutes. The motion was made and seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved.

Presentation: Representatives of the New York City Department of City Planning showed a 20-minute PowerPoint presentation on the proposed “City of Yes for Economic Opportunity application.

Board Officers’ Reports:

Chair - Fred R. Guinta: refer to YouTube.
First Vice-Chair: Gerard J. Ruggiero – Absent
Second Vice-Chair: Rosanne Clift – Absent
Third Vice-Chair: Ben D’Amato – No Report
Secretary: Shawn Abraham – No Report
Treasurer’s Report: Roy J. Garlisi - Absent

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Standing Committee Reports:

Aging: Dr. Donna Seminara – Absent.

Capital & Expense Budget: Roy J. Garlisi – Absent.

Environmental Protection and Parks: Stephen W. Zaderiko – No Report

Health: Dr. Ram Raju – Absent

Law, Legislative Review & Ethics: Mendy Mirocznik – No Report

Traffic, Transportation & Public Service: Gerard J. Ruggiero – Absent

Youth Services: Simone DiTrapani – Absent

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Adjournment: Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 P.M.