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Regular Monthly Meeting of the Full Board Minutes

Tuesday, June 18, 2024 - 7:00 P.M.

Joan & Alan Bernikow JCC of Staten Island

1466 Manor Road

Staten Island, New York 10314

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The regular monthly meeting of the Full Board was held on Tuesday, June 18, 2024 at 7:00 P.M. at 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 for attendance, confirming a quorum was present.

Board Members Present: Shawn Abraham, Olu A. Ajayi, Igor Baboshkin, Rosanne Clift, Dr. Cognata, Ben D'Amato, Sandy DiTrapani, Julie Freeman, Roy J. Garlisi, Andrew Guido, Fred R. Guinta, Jordan Hafizi, Gurdev S. Kang, Dr. Mohammad Khalid, Michael Lanza, Diane L. McNamara, Mendy Mirocznik, Dr. Allan B. Perel, Florida Qello, Leutrim Qoku, Dr. Ram Raju, Gerard J. Ruggiero, Fiqirje Shehaj, Joseph Torres, Stephen W. Zaderiko, Steven J. Zboinski.

Board Members Absent: Valerie Aliffi-Maroney, Raymond Burt, Anselmo S. Genovese, Dr. Seminara.

Staff Present: Debra A. Derrico, District Manager.

Representatives of Elected Officials Present: Vanesa Limani for State Senator Jessica Scarcella-Spanton Amalia Kostalas for State Assembly Member Michael Tannousis

Agency Representatives: David Northmore of New York city Department of Transportation.

Guests: Debi Vadora, Elyse Foladari, Mike Matteo, Rose Uscianowski. Elyse Foladare

Public Speakers Session:

- Jermaine Williams, SI Ambassador for the SI NYPD reported the date for the annual National Night Out and spoke about how to handle quality of life issues.
- Peter Levine of the Dongan Hills Branch of the NY Public Library announced that he brought letters with him to ask people for people to sign. The letter is asking the Mayor and City Council to put money back into the library.
- Amalia Kostalas from Assembly Michael Tannousis' office reported on upcoming events the assembly member is hosting.
- Vanesa Limani of Senator Jessica Scarcella-Spanton's office reported on upcoming events the senator is hosing and her senate bills.

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Public Speaker Session continued.

Francesca Gallelli of District Attorney Michael McMahon's office announced the following: (1) DA McMahon and the NYPD announced the indictment and arrest of close to 20 individuals charged with operating a massive and multifaceted drug dealing Network centered in Stapleton this year uh the this is the result of a long-term narcotics investigation led by our office and the defendants are accused of making over a dozen sales of heroin and cocaine to undercover officers over a 14-month period starting in March 2023 resulting in several fatal overdoses of Staten Islanders. In addition to that last week DA McMahon, (2) DA McMahon is the first district attorney's office of New York City to formally initiate civil legal proceedings against both the owner and tenant of an illegal smoke shop personally serving as the petitioner in a landlord tenant court against the proprietors of an illegal smoke shop. In partnership with the Sheriff's office, the DA has been able to close about 25 smoke shops in under 25 days since the new state budget provisions allowing the sheriffs to deputize NYPD.

Presentation: A presentation was given by representatives of the New York City Department of Transportation on the planned Seaview Avenue Safety Project Improvements Project between Mason Avenue and Father Capodanno Boulevard. The project includes a "Road Diet" to calm traffic, new signalized crosswalks, "daylighting" for better visibility, and upgraded bike lanes."

A motion was made to support New York City Department of Transportation's Seaview Avenue Safety Project.

Board Members' Vote: 12-In Favor; 10-Opposed to the project; 0-Abstain; 0-Not Entitled

Chair Guinta called for a motion to accept the May 21, 2024 Full Board Minutes. A motion was made and seconded to accept and the minutes were unanimously accepted.

Officers' Reports:

Chair - Fred R. Guinta: refer to YouTube. First Vice-Chair: Gerard J. Ruggiero - No report.

Second Vice-Chair: Rosanne Clift – No report.
Third Vice-Chair: Ben D'Amato – No Report

Secretary: Shawn Abraham - No report.

Treasurer's Report: Roy J. Garlisi - The Treasurer's report is complete and correct. It is on file at the

board office.

Standing Committee Reports:

Land Use: Ben D'Amato, Chair BSA Application Number 2018-38-BZ 1717 Richmond Road, Block: 887, Lot 7,

Staten Island, New York 10306

The Application is for a Special Permit under zoning Resolution Section 73-2433 of the New York city Zoning Resolution to extend the term of a Special Permit originally adopted by the Board of Standards and Appeals under BSA Calendar Number 2018-38-BZ which expired on April 9, 2024. This Special

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Standing Committee Reports continued:

Land Use continued:

BSA Application Number 2018-38-BZ 1717 Richmond Road, Block: 887, Lot 7,

6/4/2024 Land Use Vote: 7- In-Favor with Conditions; 0-Opposed; 0-Abstained; 0-Not Entitled **Conditions:** (1) Construction of a trash storage enclosure on the site (2) maintain landscaping (3) No left turn on Richmond Road to minimize disruptions and enhance safety (4) daylight the ingress/egress to 1717 Richmond Road.

6/18/2024 Board Members' Vote:

23-In Favor with conditions; 0-Opposed; 0-Abstained; 0- Not-Entitled

Conditions: (1) Construction of a trash storage enclosure on the site (2) maintain landscaping (3) No left turn on Richmond Road to minimize disruptions and enhance safety (4) daylight the ingress/egress to 1717 Richmond Road.

Environmental Protection & Traffic & Transportation: Stephen Zaderiko

Stephen Zaderiko reported that there was joint meeting with the Environmental Protection, Parks, Traffic, Transportation and Public Service Committees to discuss traffic, road conditions such as excessive flooding and icing. Unfortunately, by the time the agency got to investigate the list of streets that were submitted, the agencies did not witness the flooding. That was a disappointment. Stephen spoke about Vision 0 regarding speed cameras. He said that approximately 20,000 speed camera violations are issued annually. He expressed interest in directing the revenue generated from these speed cameras toward road improvements..

Aging: Dr. Donna Seminara – No report

Capital & Expense budget: Roy J. Garlisi - No report

Health Services: Dr. Ram Raju – No report

Law, Legislative Review & Ethics: Mendy Mirocznik - No report

Election of Officers: Florida Qello, Chair called for nominations for the below-referenced officer

positions. As there were none, the current slate was re-elected.

Chair - Fred R. Guinta

First Vice-Chair: Gerard J. Ruggiero Second Vice-Chair: Rosanne Clift Third Vice-Chair: Ben D'Amato Secretary: Shawn Abraham

Treasurer's Report: Roy J. Garlisi

Old Business: None New Business: None

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted, Fred R. Guinta, Chair