



**BOROUGH OF STATEN ISLAND
COMMUNITY BOARD #3**

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**Parks & Recreation and Environmental Committee
Public Hearing Report**

DATE: January 10, 2023

TIME: 7:00PM

IN PERSON: No

VIRTUAL: Yes

SPEAKER: Yes

Committee Members Present

Frank Morano, *Chairman of the Board*

Albert Klingele, *Chair*

Sherif Farag

Engjell Lleshi

Dianne Mattioli

Anthony Riccardelli

Committee Members Absent

Dominick Ciccarelli

Nicole Nigro

Joseph O'Toole

Board Members Present

Jeff Geary

Staff

Charlene Wagner, *District Manager*

Stacey Wertheim, *Community Coordinator*

Susan LaForgia, *Community Coordinator*

Guests

Colleen Siuzdak, *Administration Coordinator, DPR Borough of Staten Island*

Griffin Fossella, *Rep. Council Member David Carr*

Carol Donovan, *Richmondton-Clarke Avenue Civic Association*

Susan Conlon, *Richmondton-Clarke Avenue Civic Association*

Public Contact Session

No public present

Agenda

No Agenda

Old Business

None

New Business

- A board member is asking for the Parks position on the feral cat feeders found throughout the south shore parks. The cats are killing young wildlife. This wildlife is beneficial in keeping the tick population under control. The feral cat housing can be found in Lemon Creek Park, Wolfe's Pond Park, and Bloomingdale Park. Colleen will investigate and report back to the committee.
- Chairman Morano wanted to inform the committee on the B.E.S.S. (Battery Energy Storage Systems) that are being built next to residential properties. In the event of a fire, this becomes a serious environmental issue. There should be a buffer between these sites and residential property.

Updates and Events

- March 14, Parks presentation of Aesop Park Design at CB3 committee meeting
- Greencroft Comfort Station officially open
- Dugan Playground Ribbon Cutting last week.
- Parks is looking for information on the Bloomingdale Park Dog Run. Colleen will contact Chairman Klingele
- Parks is monitoring Wegener Park regarding litter complaints
- Clawson Playground – slide was out of operation for a few days but is open now.

Respectfully submitted,



Albert W. Klingele
Chairman, Parks & Recreation and Environmental Committee