

### CITY OF NEW YORK

### MANHATTAN COMMUNITY BOARD 10

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HENRIETTA LYLE
Chair

GENERAL BOARD MEETING Wednesday, October 3, 2012, 6:00 P.M. Harlem State Office Building 163 West 125th St, 2nd Floor Gallery

## **SUMMARY:**

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 P.M.

<u>Chair: Henrietta Lyle.</u> Introduced herself, and welcomed everyone to the October 2012 meeting and reminded everyone to please stick to the agenda to make sure of a timely meeting.

### **ELECTED OFFICIALS UPDATES**

## **Senator Bill Perkins**

Informed everyone about the importance of the night and that it is the Presidential Debate and welcome everyone to the Cove, with a strong reminder that Obama is from Harlem, the last day to register to vote is Friday October 12<sup>th</sup>; announced the Town Hall meeting on Solitary Confinement and shared the report by the NYC Civil Liberties Union, pointing out that the United Nations Report said solitary confinement is a form of torture.

## State Assemblyman Keith Wright

Congratulated Senator Perkins for his efforts on Solitary Confinement, he apologized for missing the last meeting, announced the naming of Street on his father's honor on 138° St & 7° Ave, and welcome everyone to pass by and wave at his father; Senator Perkins announced his efforts regarding jobs, including the Job Fair that took place, he addressed that formerly incarcerated also need to be helped in finding jobs; his office will be accepting registration for voters, that every vote counts. CB10 member Hazel Dukes was inquiring about polling locations that have been turning voters away, she was made aware of it in Queens and wanted to know what was done about it. Assemblyman Wright responded that he was very aware of it and that just to clarify, other New Yorkers travel distances to cast their votes and there is no excuse NOT to vote. Community Member asked about moving polling sites from their building, Assemblyman stressed the fact that sometimes having accommodations to vote so close to home is not an asset but rather an excuse. He bought up an example of a redistricting and his efforts to inform the buildings of the changes.

# Representative of Council Member Inez Dickens,

Thursday October 4th NYC Districting Committee Public Meeting and petitions can be signed

## Manthattan Special Narcotics Unit: Calvin Solomon

Addressed the funds that have been recuperated from drug takedown on 3333 Broadway. The funds are to be used for the Play Sites in and around New York.

### Nina Saxon of Manhattan Borough President's Office

Mentioned that the MBP Stringer enjoyed the CB10 Retreat. October 4th 2012, there is a Press Conference at City Hall to establish Paid Sick Days. The MBP Office announced the Pop up Green Market at night, on October 11<sup>th</sup> to take place at 117<sup>th</sup> St and FDBlvd from 4:00pm to 9:00PM.

PUBLIC SESSION
CB10 Roll Call
23 Members Present 22 Absent Total 45

**Chair: Henrietta Lyle Report** 

Henrietta Lyle announced a Study of traffic flow along 125<sup>th</sup> Street and also there has been a workshop about possible changes. Hon. Lyle encourages the public to gain information of redistricting and what are the changes, and access the website and get as much information to educate ourselves. Chair Lyle attended a meeting at the Borough President's Office in regards of NYCHA and what has been going on with litigations that has been started to address the use of elevators.

Stanley Gleaton presented 3 voting items:

- 1. Boulevard Bistro 239 Lenox Ave
- 2. HCCI and L&M Disposition of lots 55 & 57 Block 2038
- 3. Casa Frella Gallery Creation of Temporary Sculpture Garden

Chair Lyle addressed objections from community members expressing their concerns that they have not been notified, it was made clear that there is a calendar of CB10 Committee Meetings and they are welcome to attend and express their concerns prior to the General Meeting.

BUSINESS SESSION
CB10 Second Roll Call

## 25 Members Present 20 Absent Total 45

### **Voting items**

A) Boulevard Bistro 239 Lenox Avenue Installation of exhaust duck on exterior rear facade. Yes 28 No 1

# B) HCCI and L&M 260 - 264 West 153rd Street Disposition of lots 55 & 57 Block 2038 Yes 21 No 8

# C) Casa Frella Gallery 13 West 119th Street Yes 29 No 0

### **Public Session Community Announcements**

Leanne Risk - Harlem Latino Awareness Saturday October 13<sup>th</sup> Health Fair asking for participation from the Community.

Chaplain Michelle Nieves represented People United and will be conducting a candle light ceremony October 7th 7:30 pm. She wants the event to be of peace and forgiveness, and a venue for healing.

Renee Harrison, a concerned resident that identified herself as an animal lover, would like an investigation as to why pets are dying in the streets around grassy areas. She was asking for assistance in finding out what is happening.

Dawn Jones - NYC Chapter invited all to attend the Presidential Debates at several locations.

Ms. McGraw announced Domestic Violence month and on October 23<sup>rd</sup> will be the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Discussion at the State Building from 6-8 pm at the Galleria.

Bryan Blake with Jason Ohene representing Check Spring Bank coming to 111<sup>th</sup> Street and FDBlvd in November 2012 is inviting small businesses and the community to come out and be part of the opening.

Brenda Shufel from Public School 30 is inviting everyone to a Community Information Fair that has received a grant to partner with Organizations. She is also looking to get different Services to come and be part of the event.

Ms. Littlejohn announced their will be no planting of bulbs this year. This is because they are expected to re-blossum up from last year bulbs. Thus, October 20, no planting but on October 26 there will be a cleaning of the Malls.

Ms. Brock talked about redistricting issues and also gave information about a proposal to assign a person to design how the redistricting will be done.

Hon. Marquee Harrison announced the alternate date for the lecture of Dr. Cornell West at Wadleigh Jr. High School.

Ramona Ponce Leader of the Community Response CERT with members of her team that prepare for an emergency, will assist with advise and help prepare emergency kids. All are invited to join the organization.

Cristina Curry announced free services for the Community who are disabled. There will be a White Cane, Low Vision Awareness and travel safety event. Citibank had changes to make it accessible to all

Hon. Manuel Rivera informed everyone that the By Laws Committee will be on Friday October 19, 2012 at 6:00pm

Public Safety Committee will be on Tuesday October 16th 2012.

Redistricting representatives explained and encourage the participation of the public and welcomed questions while guiding the community through the redistricting process..

The meeting was adjourned at 7:08 P.M.
Respectfully Submitted
Crystal McKay
Special Thanks to Lupe Moreno who aided in preparing this month's minutes.