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# CITY OF NEW YORK MANHATTAN COMMUNITY BOARD 10

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GENERAL BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015 – 6:00 P.M. Harlem State Office Building 163 West 125<sup>th</sup> Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Gallery

## **SUMMARY:**

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

<u>Chairperson, Henrietta Lyle</u>: Introduced herself, and welcomed everyone to the February 4th, 2015 meeting and reminded everyone to please stick to the agenda to make sure of a timely meeting.

#### **Elected Official Announcements**

#### Nina Saxon, New York City Comptroller Scott Stringer's Report:

• The annual Trailblazers ceremony will take place on February 10th 2015 at the Schomburg Center located on 135th Street and Malcolm X Blvd. Please R.S.V.P.

## **Assemblyman Keith Wright:**

- February 2nd will be the monthly Legal clinic at the State office building office from 6pm 9pm. Suite 911
- February 2nd will be a meeting concerning the Healthcare system at the State Office Building from 5pm 7:30pm Suite 911

# Ed Sullivan, Public Advocate Leticia James Report:

- The office would like feedback concerning the "Grand Jury Process" especially with the Eric Garner case and others and why there were no indictments.
- The office would like a "School Task Force" to understand the "no open meetings'. "Is anything being hidden?

#### **Ambassador S. Johnson Cooke:**

• February 17th 2015: A Pro-Voice Symposium for Women at the State Office Building in the Art Gallery from 6pm - 7:30pm. This is to discuss women in business and other fields to become an entrepreneur.

#### Athena Moore and G. Puello, Manhattan Borough President's Northern Manhattan Office:

- The State of the Borough Address at Columbia University was overwhelmingly successful. There were interactive discussions and conversations about housing, education and technology.
- there were over 7000 applications for positions on the Manhattan community Boards

 MBPO will also work with the Lenox Terrace Working Group concerning proposed rezoning.

Public Session: 6:50pm

#### Roll Call

Minutes and Agenda were adopted and approved with the necessary corrections.

• Part "D" in January 2015 minutes will be removed in Part II

#### Chairperson's report - Approved

District Manager's report - Approved

Secretary's report - Approved

#### Chairperson, Henrietta Lyle's Report:

A moment of silence was given to District Leader and community Activist Theresa Freeman-Timmons of the 70th Assembly District, who died on February 3rd, 2015.

In her Report Chair Lyle reports on issues pertaining to

- Illegal Hotels
- Community-Police Relations: More Dialogue is necessary
- A By-laws Committee Task Force will be led by Hon. Knox LaSister
- Quorums are not being made in committee meetings "Everyone please make your meetings.

#### **District Manager A. Lassalle Report:**

- D.M. Lassalle also spoke on several issues that can be located in his CB10 monthly report
- March 4th will be the public Hearing of the Mayor's Preliminary Budget

#### **Committee Reports:**

#### Land Use: Hon. Brian Benjamin introduced a presentation on:

"NYC HOUSING CONNECT" with V. Hernandez - HPD Director of Marketing
The presentation was the on-line process of applying for NYCHA Housing. There were many
tabs to go through. However the overall presentation was thorough. Also there will be
continued dialogue about the process when an applicant feels the process is not fair. The Appeals
process; when documentation is not recognized.

# Parks & Recreation: Community Gardens

There are five community gardens that are on the list to be removed for affordable housing. The organization would like CB10 to protect the Community Gardens

# Transportation: Presentation on 155<sup>th</sup> Street Edgecombe Street Improvements

D.O.T. presented the 155th Street St. Nicholas crosswalk changes.

Mr. Hayman and J. Palero were presenters. Then a vote was taken for approval.

#### **Education Youth and Libraries:**

Hon. Shanelle head of the Youth Task Force for CB10 will be presenting a program on "Civil Engagement" There will also be a walk to Washington D.C. on April 13th 2015. Details soon to follow.

2nd Roll Call Business Session CB10 Roll Call 7:20pm

# **Voting Items**

**Economic Development** 

1) Vote to Support of the Liquor License Application of FDB 2115 LLC for a new establishment to be located at 2115 Frederick Douglass Blvd., New York, NY 10026.

YES 23 NO 7 ABSTENTIONS 0

Transportation

2) Vote to support street improvements at 155th Street – St. Nicholas Place – Edgecombe Avenue – Macombs Bridge

**YES 14** 

NO 12

ABSTENTIONS

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#### **Old Business**

There were several discussions that included:

- June 2014 to be re-approved
  They were approved except for the nominating election process portion
- There was also a lengthy discussion about the conference call "pertaining to the by-laws" and talking with the General Council (Jim Gulden) on several issues. Through much discussion, Barbara Nelson wanted any discussion to be tabled and Deborah Gilliard 2nd the motion. Marquis Harrison wanted to continue the discussion. There were many voices chiming in about the topic.
- Finally a roll call vote was taken to table the issue until the February EC mtg.
   YES 13 NO 14 ABSTENTIONS 1

Meeting adjourned 9:45 pm

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Minutes submitted by Secretary, Crystal McKay