## Economic Development Committee/West Harlem Piers Committee February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Minutes

<u>Present:</u> Maritta Dunn, John Martin-Green, Matthew Camp, Basia Nikonorow, Nick Smith, Vanessa Jones

**Board Members Present:** Board Chair, Padmore John, Arts and Culture Chair, Joyce Adewumi

Visitors: Jonathan Auerbach

<u>Committee Descriptions:</u> The following committee definitions have been approved by the Committee at the February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018 meeting. The Committee is asking that these definitions be used in the future.

The <u>Economic Development Committee</u> purpose is to protect, support and encourage current and future businesses in the CB9 Area. The Committee will be involved and assist the four (4) Business Districts that make up West Harlem.

The <u>West Harlem Piers Committee</u> purpose is to protect, support and oversee activities and development at the West Harlem Piers, the Hudson River and the surrounding area.

After serious discussion it was decided that a Vision Session for the development of the Marine Transfer Station located at the West Harlem Piers be planned for Saturday March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018 and held at Broadway Housing. The session will be from 10:00AM to 12:00PM and coffee and pastries will be served.

Basia Nikonorow has agreed to prepare the flyers for the event and Vanessa Jones has agreed to research past and current information regarding the Marine Transfer Station.

Business Empowerment through the Arts: The Chair of the Arts and Culture Committee, Joyce Adewumi made a presentation to the Committee regarding this initiative. She informed the Committee that the African Festival will be held on May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

Next Meeting: March 6th, 2018