GENERAL BOARD MEETING  
COMMUNITY BOARD #9 MANHATTAN

April 21, 2011

6:39pm
Meetings called to order
Objection to adopt minutes by Walter South due to the previous month’s vote on the addition to Convent Avenue Baptist Church.

Introduction of the new board members.

Presentations
Lewis Burges – Riverbank Partnership – working to raise funds for Riverbank State Park. Although this is a separate group, the partnership group will be working with Friends of Riverbank.

Carlos Infante – NYC Child Support Enforcement – NYC-HRA – offer a number of services to help alleviate those experiencing financial difficulties. Also providing DNA testing for $30.50. Tel 212-480-5906.

Nancy Streim – Teachers College Community School – set to open in September 2011, the school will be temporarily located outside CB9 area on 5th Avenue and 130th Street sharing the space with another school.

Chair’s Report
Larry English – report in the packet, addressed the board about EDC and the Tastee Factory.

Treasurers Report
Diane Wilson – Budget process completed. A winner for the allocation of the $10,000 awarded by Councilwoman Dickens will be chosen upon the return of Anthony Fletcher. CB9 website almost completed.

District Managers Report
Eutha Prince – report in packet, NYPD is currently enrolling young people to the Young Police Academy. Youth Committee hosting an Expo Saturday, April 23 10am-2pm at Riverbank State Park. April 9-10 there was a Con Ed feeder failure on Broadway and 144th Street causing some power failures. CB9 will be hosting a Housing Town Hall meeting on May 26, 2011 at the Manhattanville Community Center.

Michael Alvarez – NY Public Library – returns to CB9, and is now overseeing 19 branches.
Anthonine Pierre – Representing MBP Scott Stringer – welcomes new board members. Invites the general public to participate in planting roses in designated parks in Central and West Harlem. MBP Scott Stringer joined DC37 in a press release to save Pest Control Employee jobs.

Alicia Barksdale – Representing Councilman Robert Jackson – will be hosting homeownership workshop in partnership with UHAB in Convent Avenue Baptist Church and In Broadway Housing. Please call Tel. 212-234-0551 to make an appointment. Warns that there is a sexual offender at large.

Martin Smith – Representing State Senator Adriano Espaillat – literature included in packet. Senator has been very active in many issues and will be hosting a housing Forum at the Church of the Intersession on May 12, 2011.

District Leader April Tyler – spoke on working with tenants on 3333 Broadway and hosting free Legal Clinics for community residents.

Nick O’Neil – Representing NYS Assemblyman Daniel O’Donnell – hosting 8th Annual Reading Challenge on April 22 at the George Bruce Library on 125th Street. Also hosting Legal Clinic for tenants in his district office on April 28th.

Board Business

With the June 2011 election of officers’ soon approaching, the election committee has now been formed. Members of the Election Committee are,
Pat Jones, Arnold Boatner, Barbara Marshall, Jamaal Nelson and Fathima Torres

Action Items

1) BBQ Policy in Morningside Park
Motion passed 32-0-0
2) Letter of support to renovate stairs in Riverside Park to St. Clairs Place
Motion passed 31-0-0
3) Letter of support for Heritage Health and Housing Main Street Grant
   a- Motion to table failed 4-22-3-1
   b- Motion passes 27-2-3-1
4) Letter of support to preserve Rent Regulation Law
   Motion passed 33-0-0
5) Liquor License Renewals
   Motion for reso 5 and 6 Passed 30-3-0
7) Sidewalk Café
   Motion passed 32-1-0
Public Session

Joseph Rogers – Youth and Education Committee hosting the 1st Annual Youth Expo at Riverbank State Park. Councilman Robert Jackson will be the Keynote Speaker. Calling for volunteers.

Councilman Robert Jackson discusses the budget season and the increase of lobbyist approaching NYC Council members.


Jack Boyd – Free Community Health & Fitness Day – will be providing medical services, wellness seminars, fitness activities, health fair, raffle prizes and gift bags. The event will take place at the Children’s Aid Society on 118th Street and 5th Avenue on Saturday, April 30th 9:30am-3pm.

Dr. Wilfred Raby – Substance Abuse Treatment Services at Columbia University, 163 Audubon Avenue Provides free and confidential treatment to individuals seeking to stop using different substances from Cocaine, heroin, alcohol and marijuana. A study program and therapy are also available.

Terese Flores – campaigning to recruit volunteer operations for literacy program to reduce litter.

Respectfully,

Jane Arrendell