

## **General Board Meeting Community Board #9 Manhattan**

March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012

6:47pm

34 Members in attendance – Meeting called to order by 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair Brad Taylor

Motion to adopt agenda T. Kovaleff & C. Thompson

Chair's Report – in packet

Treasurer's Report- Anthony Q. Fletcher – Impress account balance in packet. States that Budget Public Hearing was well attended.

District Manager's Report – Eutha Prince – Report in packet- NYC Dept. of Aging is sponsoring a number of seminars for Baby Boomers throughout NYC providing information on Medicare. MBP Scott Stringer is hosting a community dialogue “Women and Re-entry – Coming Home on Saturday March 17, 2012 at Riverside Church. Community Board 9 website launching 3/16/2012.

WHLDC Report – Ted Kovaleff - Website at final stages. Offer has been made to a candidate for the position of Executive Director. Contract in discussion for new office space. Awaiting State approval to convert WHLDC to LDC.

### **Public Session**

Chaired by Second Vice Chair C Thompson; minutes by T Kovaleff

#### **Judith Insell: Third Annual Youth Expo**

To be held 4/14 from 9:30-1:30 at Riverbank State Park

Needs volunteers

Wants interaction re summer employment

#### **Rev. Charles Curtis: Coalition for Housing Equality**

Must protect current residents from forceouts as result of zoning changes;

Help current residents take advantage of business opties from zoning changes.

#### **Neil Luderig: Harlem Arts Festival**

Submission deadline is 3/31; festival is 6/29-30 in Marcus Garvey Park. Grass roots funded

**Jenna Lucente: 730 RSD protection**

To bring to attention of CB9 importance of landmarking the bldg.

Bldg is over 100 years old and the terracotta and balconies must be preserved.

**April Tyler: DDL Jobs Prog**

DOL is prepared to give tax breaks to businesses that hire local youth to career oriented jobs. Non-profits can apply to become training centers Grants of \$50k; deadline is 7/1/12

**Gwinerere von Ludwig: Times article**

“ I would like to voice my concerns about the recent NY Times article blaming gentrification /newcomers for the increase in dog waste in the community.”

**Jacob Morris: Library Budget**

“Discussion of the priorities expressed in the capital budget.”

**Alex Aleimo of NYIT and Alina Prigorodova of CCNY: Freedom by Design**

“ We are a student organization of architecture students looking for community organizations to design and build for. We offer problem solving, design, fundraising and volunteers.” Javier Carcamo: MTS Competition

Inviting CB9M to pick its favorite from the works on display at Bway Housing Date 3/26

**Alicia Barledd: 3333 Lockdown**

Protested the need for id to circulate within bldg; also noted that late fees on rent can lead to evictions, that is wrong.

**Lawrence Ekechi: Museum of African Art**

Announced on going progs for junior high School internships; and a free membership for seniors

Will move into new quarters at 1250 Fifth AV in late 2012.

**Carole Singleton: Board Conduct**

“ I would like to remind the Board members that we are here to business for CB9. To this point there is a way to conduct the business. Personal attack and character assassination have no place here. We should not stoop to these levels for personal gratification. My time is precious. Those who cannot responsibly abide by the rules of decency should resign.”

**Vernon Ballard: Announcements and thanks**

His daughter Olivia is at the Columbia School

There will be an Education Forum with Robt Jackson on 3/20/12 LaUNCH OF Harlem 4 Community.

**Nina Saxon – Representing MBP Scott Stringer** – states that Manhattan Borough President is very actively working with 3333 Broadway. Borough President celebrates Women’s History Month 3/22/2012 at Baruch Performing Arts Center on Lexington Ave. & 25<sup>th</sup> Street. 9am-11am.

**Councilman Robert Jackson** – invites tenants of 3333 Broadway to speak to his staff. Hosting a forum “Women mean Business” speaking about the struggles women face in the business world.

**Corey Ortega – Representing NYS Assemblyman Keith Wright** – working with the issues with 3333 Broadway. Team Wright attended the annual Black, Latino & Asian Caucus in Albany.

**Frank Hess – Representing NYS Assemblyman Denny Farrell** – Assembly passed bill on new re-districting. Report in Newsletter.

**Action Items**

**Process to Elect Delegates for WHLDC/WHDC**

a)Table – 13-23-3 motion to table does not pass    b) Original Motion passes 21-12-6

**Landmark Designation for 730 Riverside Drive**

Motion passes 30-0-6

**Convent Avenue Baptist Church Variance Request and New Structure Request**

Motion passes 25-1-10

**Convent Avenue Baptist Church Addition**

Motion passes 19-6-11

Meeting Adjourned 9:21pm

Respectfully submitted,

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