

CB9M Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, May 4, 2011

Location: Broadway Housing - 583 Riverside Drive, 7th Floor

Attendance:

Committee Members Present:

Brad W. Taylor (Chair)

Savona Bailey McClain

LaQuita Henry

Public Members Present:

Jen Silverman

Committee Members Absent:

Carole Singleton

CB9 Members Present:

Victor Edwards, Fathima Torres

Guests:

Terese Flores, NYCDPR

Tom Lunke, HCDC

Danny Murray, Michael Palma, Basia Nikonorow, Montefiore

Park Neighborhood Association;

Conrado Aleman, Eileen Aleman, Olga Salcedo

Alicia Barksdale CM Jackson's Office

April Tyler WHID- District Leader

Molaundo Jones, Creative Arts Workshops for Kids

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:44pm with a quorum in attendance.
2. **Adopt Agenda:** The agenda was adopted unanimously on a motion by S. McClain. seconded by L. Henry.
3. **Adopt Minutes:** Minutes of the previous meeting were adopted with any necessary corrections on a motion by S McClain seconded by L. Henry
4. **Presentations:**
 - *Update on the Montefiore Plaza Redesign* -by L. Henry (Heritage Health and Housing), T Lunke (HCDC) and M Jones (CAW for Kids)
This DOT project has a budget of \$6.3 Million and is scheduled to begin design in July 2013. Before then HHH and HCDC will be holding a community charette and visioning process on what the community would like to see built. The committee recommended that HHH and HCDC get letters from DOT and DPR stating that the agencies will be working together to make this project a reality. This summer Creative Arts Workshop will be helping create a mural on a wall near the park. The project will run from July 5 - Aug. 12. CAW will work with the CB9 Youth and Education Committee on outreach.
5. **Reports:**
 - *NYCDPR.* T. Flores reported on the parks volunteer greeter program and asked people to contact her at 212 408 0250 if interested.
6. **Old Business:**

S McClain asked that the Committee get an update on DPR capital projects in the district and the 125th Street BID plaza proposal at Hancock Place.

B Taylor reported that NYCDPR has informed CB9 that it's BBQ areas in Morningside Park will remain unchanged. CB9 passed a resolution calling for this last month. B. Taylor
7. **New Business:**

A Barksdale reported on her successful efforts to get trees along 135th Street between Broadway and Riverside Dr. The trees will have to be in planters due to the utility vaults under the sidewalk. The committee commended her on her efforts

B. Taylor asked committee members to visit the Grant's Tomb Overlook pavilion so that we can have an informed discussion at a later date about trees which currently obscure the river view.
8. **Adjourn:** There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 0pm on a motion by S. McClain seconded by L. Henry

Respectfully submitted by Brad Taylor