

**COMMUNITY BOARD 9M
16-18 OLD BROADWAY
NEW YORK CITY, NY 10027
MAY 2021 GENERAL BOARD MEETING**

Date: May 20, 2021

Time: 6:30

Place: Via Zoom and telephone

As 25 members were present, there was a quorum and Chair BW called the meeting to order at 6:40.

CT/several: To adopt the agenda – UNAM

CT/WA: To adopt the minutes of the April 2021, meeting with any necessary emendations - UNAM [TK abstain for cause]

Reports:

Chair: BW

Submitted written report

Highlighted increase in vax rates in our zip codes, but we still lag

There is a nosedive in infections...

Continue to inform restaurants of grant availability; must get app in or the money will run out.

We must monitor the emergency rental assistance plan; there are requisite qualifications.

Do attend City Budget hearings virtually

Treasurer: JT

Submitted written spreadsheet

DM Report: E Prince

Submitted written report

Want volunteers for Al Taylor's Cleanup

WHDC: PWJ

Not in attendance

UMEZ: GMT

Not yet in attendance

Elections: SM

Walked through the process; Nominees must submit intent to run by Monday as Tues is candidates night. All candidates must attend or be removed from the ballot.

Nominations [all listed below received 7 indications of support]:

Assistant Treasurer: JT

Treasurer: Several were suggested but they declined. At the end of the nominations the Chair successfully persuaded KB to run.

Assistant Secretary: Several were suggested, but they declined.

Secretary: TK

Second Vice Chair: CT and MHC

First Vice Chair: VE

Chair: BW

At this point we returned to seeking a candidate for Asst Secy. It was agreed that we would try to persuade someone to step forward before Election Night. Were a member of the Elections Committee to agree s/he would have to resign from the committee first.

At this point GMT was able to give the UMEZ Report

At this point UMEZ has facilitated the training of 30 for work in the hospitality industry. While the Victoria site is not yet open, they have been placed elsewhere in the city.

Organization is helping with micro-loans to small businesses.

Boro Pres: G Brewer

Decried that senior sites were still not open

Tourism is coming back, but very slowly. We need promotions...

Community able to provide input on new precinct commanders.

Public Session:

L Orens: 3333 Bway

Lost her lease because landlord wanted to change her windows, which she stated were illegal
Referred to Housing, and Health/Environment Committees

A Cheng: PSAs on vaccines

Showed several, wants more community volunteers

P Caldwell: About WHDC

Charged that monies were going outside the community and that it was going to move into CB12.
BW stated categorically that it was not to move and that they had just signed a new lease.

JT: 146 St Nicholas to Amsterdam Block Assn

Will have celebrations 6/19 and 8/7 all welcome

CT: you will need permits; I will help you get them

J Lawrence: Therapeutic Counseling

At 464 W 125 St.

Wants constant contact with community

Offers 30 doses of Moderna

Emphasis on foster housing especially with Spanish speaking persons

Elected Officials

M Booker for Congressperson Espaillat

Kudos to CB9 for Festival grants

Has submitted monies for Rangel Center and more in CB12

TK asked that they consider more grants to CB9 area

Jessica for Al Taylor

See DM report for info on the 6/5 run

C Figueroa for R Jackson

Unity March for Peace 6/9

L Wolf for Comptroller S Stringer

Provided contact and other info in chat

Working on small loans to MWBEs

Is investigating early response to Covid. Found that some of the ventilators bought by City were not delivered.

E Sylvestre for DA Vance

There is new material on the dashboard

6/4 is the deadline for the poster competition--material on dashboard.

T. Garman for D ODonald

Rat Academy: 7/8

Extra materials in Chat

Action Items: Note that explanation of items is attached by reference to the minutes.

1. **Reso re: 142nd Street Rezoning (Hon. Signe Mortensen, Chair, HLUZ Committee); passed UNAM- see Tally sheet**
2. **Reso re: Zoning Accessibility (ZFA) Text Amendment (Hon. Signe Mortensen, Chair, HLUZ Committee); 30-3-0**
3. **LOS re: TUTCU-Team Up to Clean Up (Hon. Edwin Torres & Hon. Miriam Farer, Co-Chair(s), Health& Environment); passed by acclamation**
4. **LOS re: Union Theological Seminary Brown Memorial Tower Entry (Hon. Anthony Carrion & Hon. Jonathan Thomas, Co-Chair(s), Landmarks Preservation/Parks Committee); Passed by acclamation**
5. **LOS re: Speed Cameras 24/7 (Hon. Martin Wallace, MCB9); 25-5-1**
6. **LOS re: BAC .05 (Hon. Martin Wallace, MCB9); 25-0-4**
7. **LOS re: Crash Victims Bill of Rights (Hon. Martin Wallace, MCB9); 28-0-0-1**
8. **LOS re: Dangerous Driving (Hon. Martin Wallace, MCB9); 21-1-8**
9. **LOS re: DMV Pre-Licensing Course (Hon. Martin Wallace, MCB9);26-2-1**
10. **LOS re: Safe Passage (Hon. Martin Wallace, MCB9); Passed by acclamation**

11. LOS re: **Sammy's Law (Hon. Martin Wallace, MCB9); 16-11-0**

12. LOS re: **Vehicle Safety Rating and Labeling (Hon. Martin Wallace, MCB9); 21-5-1**

New Business

none

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:46

Respectfully submitted

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