

**Community Board 9  
890 Nostrand Avenue  
Brooklyn, NY 11225**

**MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY BOARD  
HELD ON NOVEMBER 27, 2018  
MEDGAR EVERS COLLEGE  
EDISON O. JACKSON AUDITORIUM  
1638 BEDFORD AVENUE, BROOKLYN, NY 11225**

**Board Members Present**

Patricia Baker  
Stuart Balberg  
Fred Baptiste  
Yaacov Behrman  
Warren Berke  
Augustine Blackwell  
Ben Edwards  
Norabelle Greenberger  
Henry Greenidge  
Tessa Hackett-Vieira  
Bishop Hamilton-Gonzales  
Olushegun Holder  
Francisca Leopold  
Mattijs Limberger  
Menachem Margolin  
Vivia Morgan

**Board Members Present**

Beverly Newsome  
Amy Pinkerton  
Pia Raymond  
Unella Rhone-Perry  
Mary Rollerson-Blackett  
Rashidah Siddiqui  
Debbie Timothy  
Eve-lyn Williams

**Board Members Absent**

Taungela Ambroise  
Simone Bennett  
Greg Darby  
Rosemarie Evering  
Aron Hershkop  
Louis Johnson  
Michael Liburd  
Carmen Martinez  
Musa Moore  
Patricia Moses  
Riel Peerbooms  
Aishah Smith  
Rabbi Chanina Sperlin  
Rabbi Joseph Spielman  
Joyce Stewart  
Anthony Taylor

**Elected Officials / Agency Representatives Present**

Mayor Bill de Blasio – Jamila Fynes  
NYC Comptroller Scott M. Stringer – Josh Pierre  
Borough President Eric L. Adams – Anthony Drummond  
King County District Attorney Eric Gonzalez – Karen Crawford-Marcelle  
NYS Senator Jesse Hamilton E. Hamilton, III – Reuven Lipkind  
NYS Assemblywoman Diana C. Richardson – Duane Joseph  
NYS Assemblyman Walter T. Mosley – Lucien Allen  
NYC Council Majority Leader Laurie A. Cumbo – Arna Lipkind  
NYC Councilwoman Alicka Ampry-Samuel- Kim Robinson  
NYPD – PO Gardner, PBBS, Community Affairs  
City of New York Parks & Recreation – Eric Thomann

**PUBLIC SESSION**

**Call to Order:** Chair Patricia Baker called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm. `

**Chair Baker** introduced Mr. Eric Thomann, Outreach Coordinator, GreenThumb, NYC Department of Parks and Recreation who made a video presentation about its plans. Afterwards, he noted that there are two Green Thumb gardens in the confines of Community Board 9. They are located on Union Street and Lincoln Road. Additionally, he also said there will be a site online at Maple Street.

### **Public Comment**

**Alicia Boyd**: Presented a flyer including what she described as findings from the New York City Department of Investigation citing two “improper actions” that Musa Moore and Warren Berke signed a budget item and also reviewed the transaction, where regulations call for different individuals conducting and reviewing the transaction; calling for a change in the way this is done, so as to prevent fraud. She characterized these “infractions” as fraud. She stated that the “Carmel” building will go to the final phase of rezoning, and that they call for 1,000 units, not the original 65. She said that she will sue them.

**Reuven Lipkind**: After serving State Senator Jesse Hamilton and prior State Senators, he wished the public farewell.

**Julia Foster**: Via the New York City Department of Education, there are adult education courses available onsite at MS 61.

**Josh Pierre, Brooklyn Borough Director, NYC Comptroller** – Gave a briefing on the NYC Comptroller’s Charter Revision proposals and provided copies.

### **Business Session**

#### **ROLL CALL**

There are 40 members, 21 are required for a quorum, 24 members were present.

Adoption of October 2018 General Board Minutes

**Chair Baker** stated that a correction must be made. The second column should be amended in the attendance header to note that the board members in column two were present at the October 2018 meeting.

### **Committee Reports**

**Rashidah Siddiqui, Public Safety Committee Chair** - The committee recommends approval of the following liquor license applications:

- Izzy’s BBQ Inc., d/b/ Izzy’s Smokehouse, 397 Troy Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11213, for a new Wine, Beer and Cider License

- IGR Holdings, LLC, d/b/a Patrick Steak House, 227 Rogers Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 1125, for a new Wine, beer and Cider License

We will present the NYPD Neighborhood Coordination Officers at the next general meeting.

**Pia Raymond, Economic Development Committee Chair** - Displayed our new promotion video for “Shop Local”.

**Augustine Blackwell, Transportation Committee Chair** - The NYC Department of Design and Construction are giving us updates on construction plans. Speed bump applications are under review. We will evaluate rain pooling locations.

**Beverly Newsome, Housing Committee Chair** - We will ask landlords to use realistic definitions of the word “affordable”. We are assessing the needs at the transitional housing location at 267 Rogers Avenue.

**Vivia Morgan, Parks Committee Chair** - Kevin Lomax, the regional parks manager will tour the parks with us. (Complaint by member of the public concerning safety conditions at Prospect Park). Complaint by member of the public concerning lighting conditions at Jackie Robinson Park (Montgomery Street and McKeever Place). Request from Arna Lipkind, representing Councilwoman Laurie Cumbo, re: Lincoln Terrace Park. – Response: Not in the confines of this Board. Parks Chair Vivia Morgan is in receipt of agency response to Capital Budget request.

**Chair Baker** - Please send Capital Budget requests to the Board Office, with any documentation, such as photographs. Parks Chair Morgan reports that Senator Hamilton provided 2 of our parks with Cameras.

### **Voting Session**

Motion (Behrman, Rhone-Perry) to approve liquor license for Izzy’s Smokehouse; Approved 24 – 0.

Motion (Balberg, Williams) to approve liquor license for Patrick Steak House; Approved, 24 – 0.

Meeting adjourned 8:43 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Stuart Balberg,

Secretary

