

THE CORAM CIVIC ASSOCIATION  
General Membership Meeting  
September 26, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 PM by President Erma Gluck, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for our troops and victims of recent violence in the United States. Board members present: Erma Gluck, Paul Ziems, Chris Reilly, Robert Gluck, Kathrine Soscia, and Jean Hartling.

**Officer Gibaldi of the 6<sup>th</sup> Precinct** was invited to take any major questions from the membership. None being taken, he invited members to meet with him individually during and after the meeting with their concerns. The remainder of the business meeting was suspended to devote time to Candidates Night.

**Candidates Night:** The following incumbent candidates each gave a presentation:

New York State Senatorial Districts:

Kenneth P. LaValle (R), District 1

Senator LaValle also spoke for Senator John Flannagan (R), District 2, who was unable to attend.

New York State Assembly Districts:

Dean Murray (R), District 3

Anthony Paulumbo (R), District 2

Steven Englebright (D), District 4

A question and answer period followed. The membership asked questions regarding 1. The lack of effective functioning in the existing congress 2. Efforts being directed toward opiate addiction (services, education, enforcement) 3. The impact of unfunded mandates on local school districts 4. Local efforts towards developing renewable sources of energy 5. Homeless and vagrant issues in Coram area 6. Identity theft and 7. State, city and local guidelines that may exist regarding employee sick leave.

**Announcements:**

Erma Gluck announced that the traveling flag recognizing the tragedy in San Bernardino has reached the Coram Fire Department and is being displayed at the new Fire House.

Neighborhood Works, via the Community Development Corporation, has a survey they would like completed by community members. Copies are available from Erma.

The Civic Holiday Party is Sunday December 4. Donations of raffle items, gift certificates and baskets or containers to make raffle baskets are needed. Funds go to provide our students scholarships.

Now it the time to renew memberships or encourage friends and neighbors to join the Civic for 2017.

**50/50 DRAWING:**

The 50/50 was won by Stan Turek who donated his winnings to the Civic.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Hartling,  
Recording Secretary