

THE CORAM CIVIC ASSOCIATION  
General Membership Meeting  
May 22, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:45 PM by President Erma Gluck, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for our troops home and abroad. Board members present: Erma Gluck, Bob Gluck, Kathrine Soscia, Paul Ziems, Vana McClure, Chris Reilly, and Jean Hartling. There were approximately 35 members and guests were in attendance.

**OFFICER REPORTS:** Officer reports were suspended to allow time for guest speakers.

**GUEST SPEAKERS:**

**Police Commissioner Timothy Sini** gave a general update on Suffolk crime statistics which are down 5.7% over last year and the lowest in Suffolk history since 1967. The department continues to focus on the priorities of the opioid epidemic, violence and firearm reduction and homeland security. New computerized statistical record keeping (COMPSTAT) has been helpful in identifying problem areas and designation resources in those areas. The department is working with school districts to provide evidence based prevention programs particularly on the issues of opioids and gang violence. Civic members raised questions about: 1. Support for schools in gang prevention, 2. Raising the legal age for youth criminal offenders to 18, 3. Location of Suffolk sponsors for undocumented, unaccompanied minors, 4. Traffic and speeding issues, 5. Immigration, 6. Availability of sector cars having one or two officers, 7. The homeless situation, 8. Headlight safety issues.

**Chuck Schwartz, engineer representing Long Island Green Homes** discussed aspect of energy sustainability, efficiency and solar for both homes and community sites. He encouraged residents to take advantage of the free home energy audits which are now sponsored by PSEG.

**OFFICER REPORTS (cont.):**

**BNL Update (Paul Ziems)** Due to over population and starving deer, a deer cull was necessary and another may be needed. A four post feeding system has reduced the tick population by 75%. Summer Sundays will soon begin and will include celebration of the 100<sup>th</sup> year of Camp Upton and 70<sup>th</sup> year of BNL.

**Membership (Vana McClure):** There are 95 members to date.

**Police Liaison SCPD 6<sup>th</sup> Precinct:** **Officer Will Zieman** gave an update of Coram crime statistics for the period April 24 to May 17. Statistics continue to remain lower than or stable over the same period last year. Two field investigative officers are involved in a pilot program which aims at reducing drug overdoses. The 6<sup>th</sup> Precinct community meeting will take place at the Farmingville Civic on May 23 at 7:00 PM.

**50/50 DRAWING:**

The 50/50 was won by Rich Cloonan who took home \$29.00.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Hartling,  
Recording Secretary