Minutes for May 31, 2016 17th Precinct Community Council Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Jay Litwin, who presided as chairperson.

Election Committee

After hearing nominations from the floor, the Election Committee invited the candidates for Vice President—the only contested office—to address the council. Both Rae Griego and Matt Roberts spoke briefly.

There was a brief discussion to clarify who is eligible to vote in the upcoming election. The Election Committee then read the full slate of candidates for the June election:

President: Jay Litwin

Vice President: Rae Griego and Matt Roberts

Treasurer: Fred Arcaro

Recording Secretary: Nora Reichard

Corresponding Secretary: Tom Dougherty

Assistant Secretary: Mary Silver Sergeant at Arms: Jim Martinez

Captain Nicole Papamichael reviewed the crime stats for the previous thirty-day period and reminded community members to do a quick check for a scanner before sliding their ATM card into the slot of any ATM machine, whether it's located in a bank vestibule, a convenience store, etc.

Community representatives with concerns about neighborhood bars—specifically Turtle Bay and Irish Exit—a representative from said bars, as well as Jay Litwin and Captain Papamichael, engaged in a dialogue about the types of complaints the precinct receives with regard to these establishments (sidewalk crowding for Turtle Bay and noise for Irish Exit). A representative from Irish Exit acknowledged these concerns and expressed his desire to address them, assuring the council that the Irish

Exit would be closing their front windows earlier every evening, effective immediately.

Captain Doble presented a detailed traffic report and responded community member questions.

Captain Papamichael then addressed community member concerns about dangerous bicycle practices, additional traffic issues, and pedestrian safety.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.