

Minutes for October 30, 2018
17th Precinct Community Council Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Matt Roberts, president of the community council.

Approval of Minutes

The September minutes were read and approved.

Comments by Rabbi Rachel Ain

Rabbi Rachel Ain reflected on the October 27th murder of eleven individuals at the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh, and community members observed a moment of silence.

Update from Captain Wynne

Captain Wynne reminded community members how, following an incident like the one in Pittsburgh, the Strategic Response Group as well as the Critical Response Command mobilize to provide a visible show of force within New York City.

Traffic

Captain Wynne presented an overview of traffic issues from the past twenty-eight days—we're down slightly in collisions compared to last year. Previously, the traffic team was increased, and more summonses for several specific violations, including safety belt use, cell phone use and texting, speeding, and running red lights, have been written.

Index Crimes

In the past twenty-eight days, the precinct was down in every major index crime except robbery and grand larceny.

Crime Prevention Presentation

Crime Prevention Officer Dennis Weiss offered several crime prevention tips, including these: avoid walking down dark streets; be cautious

entering your building if someone is loitering in the doorway; have two locks on your apartment door; do not buzz into your building someone you don't know; check the ID of utility workers before allowing them access to your home; lock packages in the trunk of your car, do not leave on the back seat; and check your bank account at least once every thirty days to look for unauthorized activity.

NCO Reports

NCO Reports: Sector Adam reported on their first Build a Block meeting in October. Based on community comments at that first meeting, they've been working on homeless outreach. Their next meeting is planned for January. Sector Charlie is preparing for their first Build a Block meeting, to be held on December 4. They've been speaking to business owners, doormen, and superintendents in their portion of the precinct.

Cops of the Month

Police Officers Cazares and Lamorgese arrested two individuals from separate hotels in possession of large amounts of narcotics and drug paraphernalia.

Q&A

President Roberts and Captain Wynne conducted a brief question-and-answer period.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.