

Minutes for November 28, 2017
17th Precinct Community Council Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 6:20 p.m. by Matt Roberts, president of the community council.

The minutes for the October 26, 2017, meeting were read and approved.

Cop of the Month

Sergeant Michael Alfano and Police Officers Michael Guido and Ryan Moran received Cop of the Month awards for their work in recovering a firearm from a shelter in the East 40s.

Counterterrorism Unit

A representative from the Counterterrorism Unit spoke about the ways in which that unit fulfills its role within the NYPD: to detect and dismantle terrorist activity, to help alleviate the effects of terrorist attacks, and investigate terrorist acts and apprehend those responsible. He then responded to several community member questions.

Traffic

Captain Amatulle reported that as of the end of November, the precinct is, for the year, down 409 accidents, down 16 pedestrians being struck by a vehicle, and up 4 bicycle accidents. He indicated that, following a meeting held last month with residents of the 57th Street area, the precinct plans to implement ideas designed to eliminate some of the hazards facing pedestrians between 1st and 2nd Avenues, near the access ramp for the bridge.

District Attorney's Office

Kevin Jean Baptiste spoke briefly about the Concealed Carry Reciprocity Act being considered by Congress, which would allow people who hold a concealed carry license in one state to bring firearms across state lines, or possess them in other states, regardless of state laws. He encouraged community members to reach out to their federal legislators and ask them to vote no on this bill.

Q&A

Matt Roberts and DI Papamichael addressed community member questions about blocked sidewalks and bicycle and traffic issues.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.