

**Minutes for May 27, 2014**  
**17th Precinct Community Council Meeting**

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m. by Jay Litwin, who presided as chairperson.

The minutes of the April 2014 meeting were read and approved.

**Cop of the Month**

Police Officer Wesley Wellington received the Cop of the Month Award for apprehending a suspicious individual found to be in possession of a gun that had been used in a shooting in another precinct.

**Upcoming Election**

John Macenka, Community Council sergeant at arms, and Millie Margiotta, Community Council vice president, are resigning their positions, effective in June, and will not be seeking reelection. The remaining board members, Jay Litwin, president; Rae Griego, vice president; Maryann Caliri, treasurer; and Nora Reichard, recording secretary, will be running again. Added to the slate of candidates are Fred Arcaro, who is running for vice president, and Matt Roberts, who is running for sergeant at arms.

**17th Precinct Issues**

Captain McPherson conducted a lengthy question-and-answer period, addressing many concerns about the use of bicycles in the precinct—by Citibike riders and by food delivery guys.

Captain McPherson also reminded community members of a number of crime prevention tips, including the following:

1. beware of skimming: a skimmer is a device attached to an ATM machine that records your bank account data—be sure to cover the ATM keypad with your hand when entering your PIN
2. beware of Green Dot phone scams: this is when someone claiming to be from the IRS or ConEd calls and demands immediate payment, instructing the call recipient to purchase a Green Dot MoneyPak card then call back the number provided and give the perpetrator

the card's serial number—be suspicious of anyone who calls and demands immediate payment for any reason, and never give out debit, credit card, or Green Dot card numbers to anyone you do not know

3. beware of calls from the NYPD asking for money—the NYPD ***never*** makes these types of calls

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.