

Long Island City Alliance
Agenda for meeting on 6-10-08

- I. Approval of Minutes
- II. Dues/ Status of LICA/ Financial Report by Georgina
- III. Status and reports on previous events and meetings (May Street Fair, Coalition for a Better Astoria/Con Ed-Fed Ex land transfer deal, Hunter's Point battle with the CUNY dorm).
- IV. Future forums (possibly making the next meeting in July a forum on zoning and inviting a guest speaker for the August meeting)
- V. Future Street Fairs (Steinway Street)
- VI. Other Business (JFREJ- Housing Justice)
- VII. Milk Watch (See below)

The City Council has issued a report about stores in the city illegally overcharging for milk prices. (Source:<http://www.ny1.com/ny1/content/index.jsp?stid=1&aid=82402>) As the cost of living constantly is rising and residents of Western Queens face ever increasing rate hikes for various utility bills and other essential needs, milk is the last thing we should be paying more for as that is something that is an essential necessity for most households. LICA and its members should do a milk watch campaign, where we go to our local stores and to our supermarkets within the next 2 weeks and watch out for illegally higher prices and we should call the Agriculture department on any violations. Take note of these stores so we can discuss this at a future meeting (maybe we could have some information on a flyer to be distributed at the Steinway Street fair). Further research on this issue will be necessary, but here is what I have found so far. The number to call for violations is 1-800-554-4501. LICA members are encouraged to bookmark this page <http://www.agmkt.state.ny.us/DI/DIStats.html> as this is the page that the Agriculture department will post its monthly milk price limits. Here is the legal limit of milk prices for June 2008:

Metro Region:

(NYC and Counties of Nassau, Suffolk, Rockland, Westchester, Orange, Putnam and Dutchess) \$3.93 (gallon) \$2.01(half gallon) \$1.04 (quart)