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To: Assembly
Cc: Beverly Richardson
Subject: Sandy Beach

Debbie. Will you please read this into the record if I cannot make meeting. Noon meetings are difficult for me to "attend" or listen to.

My comments:

I wish to express my concerns re the recent unscheduled, unnecessary and excessive cutting of trees at Sandy Beach Park. Cutting at Sandy Beach has been an issue of community concern for many years within the community. The plan to cut many trees at SB in the early 2000 resulted in heated community debate, meetings and final acceptance of a plan. I do not recall how or if that plan addressed the portion of the park where trees were recently cut. It mostly dealt w the 2 new roads, shelters and addition of sand and flag pole. Time has passed it is time to review this issue.

I don't know where to begin to address the assemble today as I do not know what the Borough Assembly direction will be.

Myself and several others community members who were aware of the issue to be discussed at this meeting, attended the Park and Recreation Board meeting this past week. Many issues surrounding the playground project were discussed. I would urge you to each listen to the recording of that board meeting. The result of that meeting was the Parks and Rec Board was intending to request the Borough Assembly today for time so that they might schedule a work session to discuss what their overal direction might be for Sandy Beach Park. And to then have a meeting to request community input. They would then provide the Assembly with their recommendation on how to go forward with the playground issue.

I will spare you of all the details of my concerns as I hope you will accept their request. And that I can then air my detail concern at their meetings.

Isn't this why we have community boards. And why it was necessary to recreate the Park and Rec Board. Thank you for your time and consideration. Beverly Richardson

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