

Richmond Corridor Association (RCA)

Meeting Minutes

Philadelphia Regional Port Authority

May 9, 2013

Attendees: George Groves (3001 Castor Inc.), Larry Dooling (P.J. Dooling Tire Co.) Steve Horton (RCA/NEDS), Cara Rossi (M&T Bank), John Toner (M&T Bank), Chuck Whiseman (Groundwater & Environmental Services Inc.), Alan Berg (Nupro Industries), David Keiser (Tioga Pipe Co.), Ned Rauch-Mannino (Ridge Policy Group), Martha Doulos (Regal International Leathers), Lou Lessen (Sosmetal), Pamela Conti (PENNDOT), Paul Linahan (Gannett-Fleming), Sue Gibbons (Gannett-Fleming), John Zuk (PGW), Monica Bersanni (PGW), Sherif Youssef (PGW), Elliott Gold (PGW), Bruce Richman (S.D. Richman Sons Inc.).

The Meeting was convened at 8:50am.

The April meeting minutes were reviewed and approved.

The Treasurer's Report: Current Account balance is \$21,431.95.

Committee Updates:

- a. Security/Safety: No Update, No representatives from the 24th District present.
- b. Security Cameras: The City Commerce Department continues to wait for the Pa. Dept. of Community & Economic Development (DCED) in Harrisburg to release the funds for the various Philadelphia neighborhood projects. These dollars include the \$30,000 in RCA-PRIDE joint funds approved to upgrade the Security Camera system. \$10,000 of that total is earmarked for RCA.
- c. Membership: There are currently 28 paid members. Membership outreach and recruitment continues to be conducted by Steve Horton. The Committee will need to plan for the Membership Reception/Event with Public Officials in August to be held at the Columbia Club located at Tioga & Almond Streets.
- d. Strategic Plan: No Update
- e. Media/Public Relations: No Update
- f. Website: Steve Andrews, our Website Designer, made a few editorial revisions. and submitted his regular invoice for services.
- g. Clean Up: We had a very poor turnout by RCA businesses for the Citywide Clean Up on Saturday April 13th. We really thank those businesses who did step up to help out. The general feeling among those who did participate the day of the event, is that we may not continue this Semi-Annual Project unless more companies get involved. RCA has been working on neighborhood cleaning and community improvement projects since 1998.

New Business:

The representatives from Gannett-Fleming and PENNDOT gave a power point presentation and displayed Maps regarding the Reconstruction of I-95. Currently, an engineering study of the section in the RCA area, stretching from Ann Street- Frankford Creek, is underway. In addition, an environmental clearance plan is being developed. It appears it will be approximately 3-4 years before actual contract work on the Interstate Highway begins. For more information, everyone was encouraged to continue to monitor the status of the overall Project on their website: www.95revive.com.

Then representatives from the Philadelphia Gas Works (PGW) made their power point presentation. Their focus was on new vehicle fuel technologies and business incentive programs that assist companies who invest in energy efficient systems for their facilities. For more information, everyone was encouraged to check out their website: www.pgwenergysense.com.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:35am.

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