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Minutes from the RCA General Meeting – October 09, 2013

Location: Weber Display & Packaging (Weber)
3500 Richmond Street, Philadelphia, PA 19134

Attendees:

George Groves – 3001 Castor Inc.
Larry Dooling – PJ Dooling Tire
Mark Kochanowicz – Coating Development Group, Inc.
Alan S. Berg – Nupro
Jim Doherty – Weber
Bruce Richman – S.D. Richman & Sons
Martha Doulas – Regal Int'l Leather
Steve Horton – RCA – NEDS
Chad Shank – M & T Bank
Matt Mullin – City of Philadelphia
Mitch Cove – 3000 E. Tioga St LLC
Police Officer Tina Willis – PPD
Police Officer Laurie Carter – PPD
Jeff Finnerty – AAA Welding Service
Wendy Finnerty AAA Welding Service
Danny Truaong – Greendog Recycling
Leonard Szypor – Custom Co. Pak
Craig A. Pataky – Westway Terminal Co. LLC
Ed Kradoska – Jeda Corp.
Peter Kuzma – VIP Products Group
Linda Lawrence – Commerce Department of Philadelphia

Time: 8:45 – 9:45 AM

1. Minutes from the September general meeting were self-read and approved.
2. Bruce Richman, Treasurer, announced that RCA's fund is \$19397.11. Bruce stated that Washington Savings Bank did not pay but Steve Horton stated that they did an internal transfer.
3. Steve Horton distributed a sheet with a list of local companies in the RCA zone that he reached out to with the hopes of members knowing a name within one of these companies. If so Steve asked for the RCA member to set up an introduction with that prospective new member.



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4. The Impact fund meeting occurring in Bridesburg should give RCA an idea of how that affects our strategic plan. George Groves stated that PennDot will be “destroying” this neighborhood. They should dole out some money to area businesses. There will be more than 10,000 cars per day on Richman Street. Thompson and Belgrade streets will be affected too.
5. Caster Materials recently joined RCA.
6. Police Officer Willis read the latest crime report for our district. Officer Willis stated that our local PPD is on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Philadelphia-Police-24th-District/1412111415674671> The PPD 24th will be going on Twitter soon.
7. Police Officer Laurie Carter spoke about the “Bond Program” that the PPD has with local businesses. Call 215-685-9963 and ask for Officer Carter to register.
8. The 2013 Fall cleanup is scheduled for October 19 at 8:30 AM in front of Bonk’s Bar & Grille.
9. The membership breakfast is scheduled for October 25th at 8:45 am at the Columbia Club. This is a group event sponsored by PRIDE, RCA and the Aramingo Business Association. Some local politicians will be in attendance. Steve Horton will circulate e-flyers in the coming days.
10. The City of Philadelphia has mandated that businesses over 50,000 square feet must perform an energy audit. Manufacturers are exempt but need to fill out a form.
11. Linda Lawrence from the City of Philadelphia Commerce Department spoke about the Safety Cam program for businesses. There is up \$3000 in grant money to be awarded per businesses which qualify.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 AM.

Minutes prepared by Mark Kochanowicz

Upcoming Meetings: November 14, 2013 at PRPA.