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Minutes from the RCA General Meeting – January 09, 2014

Location: Philadelphia Regional Port Authority (PRPA)
3460 N. Delaware Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19134

Attendees:

George Groves – 3001 Castor Inc.
Larry Dooling – PJ Dooling Tire
Mark Kochanowicz – Coating Development Group, Inc.
William Hodgson – Weber Display & Packaging
Cara Rossi – M&T Bank
Vera Ninczuk – Washington Savings
Noreen Thompson – Tioga Pipe Supply
John Taintor – Port Richmond Self Storage
Martha Doulas – Regal Int'l Leather
Steve Horton – RCA – NEDS
Don Brennan - PRPA
John Newton – Grendog Recycling
Lou Lesson – SOS Metal
Alan S. Berg – Nupro
Chad Shank

Time: 8:55 – 9:40 AM

1. Minutes from the December general meeting were read and approved by the members.
2. Bruce Richman, Treasurer, was absent from the meeting but it was announced that RCA's fund is \$18682.32.
3. The transfer of RCA funds from Washington Savings to M&T Bank was to be completed by the end of the day.
4. The city's Commerce Department put out a solicitation for a grant competition. It calls for business community groups to apply within the month for up to \$75,000. Steve Horton will attend a meeting to further investigate whether it is feasible for RCA to contend. Steve feels it will be a long shot.
5. The RCA sponsored Spring Breakfast Meeting was brought up again. It is in the planning stages for an event in March or April. Since it will be held just prior to the primary, RCA feels that much there will be much attention paid by political candidates, including the current PA governor.



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6. Mark announced that the RCA Web site and that most of the last four years of meeting minutes are archived there.
7. Larry Dooling proposed a RCA night at the Phillies game event. Most seemed in favor of participating but a further vote should occur.
8. The McClain building on Schiller St is for sale. Asking price is \$2 million.
9. Martha Doulas pointed out that her commercial real estate taxes are lower. Larry Dooling reiterated the same. It seems that in general, the city's commercial property taxes have been lowered while the B & O taxes have risen.
10. Construction supplies at the new TD Bank on Butler Street were stolen a few months ago. A security guard was present. This has delayed the opening on the new TD Bank branch.
11. Steve Horton promoted the SafeCam program.
12. Custom Co Pack applied for RCA membership.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 AM.

Next Meeting: February 12, 2014 at PRPA.
Minutes prepared by Mark Kochanowicz