

Richmond Corridor Association (RCA) Monthly General Meeting
@ Philadelphia Regional Port Authority (PRPA)
Meeting Minutes

March 12, 2015

Attendance: Larry Dooling (P.J. Dooling Tire Co.), Cara Rossi (M&T Bank), John Taintor (Port Richmond Self Storage), Ed Taintor (Port Richmond Self Storage), Matt Mullin City of Philadelphia-CLIP), Steve Horton (RCA-NEDS), Martha Doulos (Regal International Leather), Alan Berg (NUPRO Corp/Neatsfoot Oil), David Keiser (Tioga Pipe Co.), George Groves (3001 Castor Inc.), Bruce Richman (S.D. Richman Sons, Inc.), Ken Curry (Infrastructure Solution Strategies)-(ISS), Kes Pliuskonis (Infrastructure Solution Strategies)-(ISS).

The meeting was convened at 8:55am.

The Minutes from the February 11th Meeting were reviewed and approved.

The Treasurer's Report was made by Bruce Richman:
Account Balance: **\$20, 775.92.**

Committee Reports:

Safety/Security: No Update. The 24th Police District was not present.

Membership: 2015 Membership Invoices have been sent out. Currently, there are 25 Paid Members. Everyone was encouraged to submit their Membership Dues. Steve Horton continues to conduct site visits to area businesses. New Member: Appliance & TV Discounters, located at Richmond St. & Allegheny Ave.

Strategic Plan: The City Planning Commission River Wards 2nd neighborhood public meeting will be held on Monday March 30th. George Groves, Ken Paul and Steve Horton will attend the Event.

Media/Public Relations: No Update.

Website: (www.rcassociation.org): Mark Kohanowicz and Steve Horton continue to work closely with the Website Designer (Steve Andrews-Digital Tailoring by Steve). The Website will be re-launched soon with various changes and improvements.

Spring Clean Up: Saturday April 11th 9:00am-12:00noon
Meeting Location: P.J. Dooling Tire Co. 2820 East Tioga St. Philadelphia, Pa. 19134

Special Presentation: Ken Curry and Kes Pliuskonis from Infrastructure Solution Services (ISS) led a discussion about their Company services. The firm, located in Blue Bell, Pa., specializes in working with Companies on Stormwater Remediation strategies.

Working closely with the Philadelphia Water Department, ISS takes the projects from the initial inspection all the way through to completion and long-term maintenance. The firm works with their Clients to qualify for and apply for Project Grants and Tax Credits. For more information contact them at: www.issdesignbuild.com.

Old Business: There was a brief discussion about possibly having a Spring Breakfast meeting in early May. The focus would be the upcoming Municipal Election Primary for Mayor and City Council to be held on May 19th. Currently there is no financial sponsor for the Event. RCA always had a good turnout for the meetings. However, there must be much better representation from the other area Business Associations (PRIDE, the Aramingo Business Association and the Kensington & Allegheny Business Association). A decision on whether to hold the Event will be made at the April Meeting.

New Business: Nick Brown from the Premier Energy Group, will be making a Presentation at the next meeting in April. The firm helps Businesses through the process of Energy Procurement, Budgeting and Savings. For more information they can be contacted at: www.premiereenergygroup.com.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:10am.

Submitted by Steve Horton