

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

November 12, 2015

Attendance: Larry Dooling (P.J. Dooling), Cara Rossi (M&T Bank), Bruce Richman (S.D. Richman & Sons), Steve Horton (RCA-NEDS), A.J. Berg (Neatsfoot Oil), Matt Mullin (City of Phila. CLIP), John Taintor (Port Richmond Self-Storage), Ed Taintor (Port Richmond Self Storage), David Keiser (Tioga Pipe Co.)

The meeting was convened at 8:50am.

The Minutes from the October 14th Meeting were reviewed. One change was made regarding the Fall Clean Up cancellation, and then approved.

The Treasurer's Report was submitted by Bruce Richman:
Account Balance: **\$18,047.42**

Committee Reports:

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

Membership: Currently, there are 31 Paid Members. Steve Horton continues to conduct outreach and make site visits to area businesses.

Strategic Plan: No Update.

Media/Public Relations: No Update.

Website: (www.rcassociation.org): All Businesses were encouraged to check out the new features and information on the RCA Website.

CLIP/Infrastructure Report: Matt Mullin reported that the perimeter of the old Gryphin Paint site had been cleaned. Also, several requests have been made to Councilman Bobby Henon's office to work with the Streets Dept. to conduct traffic surveys and improve the signalization at Aramingo Ave. & Wheatsheaf Lane as well as the Richmond St. & Lewis St. intersections.

Old Business:

There was a brief discussion about the ongoing low attendance at meetings over the past several months. David Keiser suggested that we hold a few meetings each year at different times and locations in order to attract companies who are unable to make the morning meetings. The discussion will continue next month.

Everyone was reminded to check their financial records to make sure that they utilizing the City Business Tax Exemption Program that started in Tax Year 2014 and will be increasing each year through Tax Year 2016. Information is on the RCA Website.

New Business: RCA has been invited to the Ceremony for the opening of the North Delaware Avenue extension on December 8th @ 11:00am. at the site. The new Roadway and Bridge will connect Lewis St. and Orthodox St. The next phase of the Project will begin next year (2016) and will extend the Avenue north to Buckius St. There was brief discussion about Keystone Opportunity Zones (KOZ's) and Enterprise Zones (EZ's). With the current State Budget impasse and a new City administration taking office soon, it was agreed that we'll follow up on these Program in the New Year.

The Meeting adjourned at 9:40am

Submitted by Steve Horton