

**Delaware River Port Authority**

**Citizens Advisory Committee Minutes**

**February 13, 2018**

**Location: OPC Board Room, Camden, NJ**

**Attendance:**

**New Jersey:** Mike Devlin, Steve Benigno, Kathy Venuti, Bruce Schwartz, Martin Otremsky,

**Pennsylvania:** Tom Jordan, Daniel Northfleet, Daniel McArdle, Larry Davis, Bob Melikian, Lea Fortunato

**Emeritus Member(s):** Jonathan Boyle

**DRPA:** John Hanson, John Rink, Kyle Anderson, Dr. Nicole Ochroch and Dawn Whiton

**Potential Member(s):** Matt Zapson, Ben Saracco

**Public Member:** Patrick Minor

**Call to Order**

**Adoption of Minutes from January Meeting**

Minutes of the January 10, 2018 meeting were approved.

**CEO Report**

- Conrail Train Incident was discussed in length.
- Eagles – Super Bowl Night. One intoxicated rider punched the top of the door/broke the door sensor and fell down and shorted out which stopped the train. And 40 minutes later just as the rescue train was approaching, other riders kicked windows out and forced doors open and got off the train. The amount of people who did this was approximately 150 people to smoke, urinate, etc. and proceeded to walk the tracks. As soon as our police saw them, service shutdown because of the third rail hazard. No reported injuries
- Eagles Parade.

**ENGINEERING**

- Northside Bike Ramp member of the public, Patrick Minor, questioned the possibility of improving the Northside bike ramp while the Southside project is underway. Dr. Ochroch replied that any changes and concrete replacement would not support the dead load. The shoring up and support structures would take years and would delay the current project. Once the Southside is completed there is no plans to use the Northside. Start date on construction mobilizing should be November. Closure starts February 26<sup>th</sup>. Currently we are working on making the Northside a little better and safer to use.

**PATCO**

- 76<sup>th</sup> car is in service. Married Pair 79 & 80 will be delivered next week. We have 20 legacy remaining and next week 18 left.
- Question was asked about budget overages, a few million with settlement with LTK/Alstom added to unforeseen condition and was built into the contract.
- Question was asked if we were self-insured and for how much, response yes and 5 million.

- Elevator Project has been underway and its now closed in Collingswood. Project will take approximately 6 months.
- Franklin Square – approved at the Board Meeting for the 2 year design with Burn engineering. There should be a December kickoff. Still have to meet with City and Streets Department and discuss their project to protect the bike lanes on 8<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> and make it safer to use Franklin Square.

### **Subcommittee Reports**

- A. Finance. Nothing to report.
- B. Communications - Nothing to report.
- C. Persons with Disabilities. Nothing to report.
- D. Recruitment – Appointment Matt Zappson and Ben Saracco are now scheduled to meet with the Audit Committee on Friday.
- E. Personnel. Nothing to Report
- F. Operations/Engineering. Nothing new to report.
- G. Old Business/New Business -

### **PATCO WATCHERS**

New hires in Social Media (?) Scheduling was discussed. John Rink currently works through Kyle Anderson. Their split shift is 6-10 and 2-6. Larry Davis commented that they liked them and thought they were funny. When we see social media posts can we add CAC is looking for members to join?

Common complaints are the slippery floors and John Rink explained the issue.

Concourse can something else be laid down on the flooring?

### **OPEN Forum:**

CAC would like to invite Office of Inspector General, David Aubrey to their March meeting.

Chairman Devlin tolls a provision vote to adopt the By-Law Changes. Motion was made and seconded.

**Next CAC Meeting:** March 14<sup>th</sup> @ OPC

**Next DRPA Meeting:** February 21, 2018 and March 21, 2018 @ 9:00 a.m.

Meeting adjourned.