

Delaware River Port Authority

Citizens Advisory Committee Minutes

September 11, 2019

Location: OPC Board Room, Camden, NJ

Attendance:

New Jersey: Reggie Haynes, Alan Becker, Daniel Northfleet; Pam Mack-Brooks, Steve Benigno, Bruce Schwartz, Mike Devlin

Pennsylvania: Tom Jordan, Tyrone Wesley (via phone), Larry Davis, Matt Zapson, Kristen Richutti

Emeritus Member(s) John Boyle

Potential Member(s): Strasso Jovanovski,

DRPA/PATCO: John Hanson, John Rink, Elizabeth Klawunn, Ed Montgomery, Dawn Whiton

Public Member:

Call to Order

Adoption of Minutes from July Meeting

Minutes of the July meeting were approved.

CEO

CEO spoke about the OWL Service and Schedule Status

Confirmation was given on the Franklin Square Visit scheduled for next week.

Text Alert for special schedules – possibly have it as a separate category when signing up.

Teamster Contract Settled

PATCO

GM spoke about:

- Updates on the new flooring rehab project in the PA station concourses
- Our advertiser will soon update our station LCD screens to provide live advertising videos with a tickler on the bottom of the screen stating next train as per schedule.
- SCADA cutover was completed over Labor Day weekend. We will look to start the next phase soon for real time train announcements.
- Last Sunday's service shutdown between Ferry and Broadway was due to the replacement of the power pole damage in the Conrail train incident.
- Franklin Square Project- staff is currently reviewing the 90% design documents

- The new flooring rehab project in the PA stations
- Delsea D Screen live video with a tickler on the bottom of the screen stating next train as per schedule,
- SCADA cutover and the next phase will be real time
- Shutdown of the previous Sunday was due to the replacement of the police
- Franklin Square Project is about 90% in the design stage.

Ok here you go & I apologize for the delay in getting back to you... and do you mean for the recent October meeting, not September? These are from the recent October meeting:

PATCO WATCHERS

- Has Gov. Murphy been talking to DRPA about developing TOD at their stations like he is pursuing at the NJT stations? Response: There hasn't been a push for TDO Developments at this time, not interest from developers and nothing from Gov Murphy either.
- Are there any plans to clean/paint repair the ceilings "upstairs" near the steps and turnstiles of 15th & 16th? Response: The ceilings in that area are not PATCO's so these issues are with the City. PATCO has asked about this several times.
- Is WiFi or cell service planned to be set up on the train cars? Response: Not "on the trains" but there should be WiFi in the stations and cell service is being worked on and provided by Boingo. We are waiting for cell providers to sign up.
- When will the upcoming train times be displayed on the LED screens on the platforms? Response: Real time scheduled info on the LED screens has been asked about before and hopefully the contract will go out 1st quarter 2020. Hope to finish in 2020.
- Ferry Avenue lots have been filled a few times (10:30 a.m.) in the last few weeks. I called DRPA and suggested they take 1800 Ferry Ave (vacant/dilapidated) building that sits between PATCO lot and their overflow lot and convert it to parking. PATCO has explored the Ferry Avenue Building. Costs to buy, tear down and build new lot are very high. City has been working with developer on redeveloping the property the last we heard.
- Will PATCO look into renting or borrowing buses from NJT or SEPTA for major outages? There is going to be more and more extreme weather in the next few years. That's been asked before... NJT and SEPTA usually don't have extra busses available, especially for last minute needs such as a major or unexpected outage.

ENGINEERING

Elizabeth Klawunn gave an update on the following:

- Solar Project Update
- Ben Franklin Walkway Update
- Westmont station elevator project - work is starting September 16th.

Committees

- A. Finance. Nothing to report.
- B. Communications - Nothing to report.
- C. Persons with Disabilities. Nothing to report
- D. Recruitment Nothing to report
- E. Personnel. Nothing to Report
- F. Operations/Engineering. Nothing new to report.
- G. Old Business/New Business - Nothing to report

OPEN Forum:

Discussion of Committee Structures. Subcommittees or Committee of the whole and the creation of a bi-annual summary report to be submitted to the DRPA Board of Commissioners

Next CAC Meeting: Will be held at One Port Center on October 9, 2019 @ 6:00 p.m.

Next DRPA Meeting: DRPA Board Meeting on October 16, 2019 @ 6:00 p.m.