

# **Minutes for 05/05/2022 CRCA Meeting**

Via Zoom 7:30pm

Welcome by Mike Katra, Vice President, Central Roxborough Civic Association

## **General Updates:**

- Spring fest and car show, this Saturday rain or shine. Looking for volunteers to set up
- Tire round up - reach out to team to volunteer to help

## **Updates from:**

### **Pam DeLissio - State Representative**

- Primary Day is May 17th, Tuesday at 8 pm is the latest you can apply for a mail-in ballot. That can be found at [Vote.pa.gov](http://Vote.pa.gov)
  - Can return mail in ballot through designated drop box or US Postal Service.
  - Must be postmarked no later than 8 pm on election day.
- The 2nd shred event is May 7th from 9 - 11 am in the movie theater parking lot in Manayunk, set up as a drive through due to inclement weather.
- First in person town hall meeting is May 19th at 7 pm at the Wolcuff Auditorium at Roxborough Memorial Hospital, and will also be available on Zoom.
  - Book Club is going to be reinstated as of April 28th at 7pm in the new office, meets quarterly and is limited to 20 people. Book will be "The other Wes Moore: One Name, Two Fates" by Wes Moore
- You can contact Pam DeLissio at:  
[RepDeLissio@pahouse.net](mailto:RepDeLissio@pahouse.net)  
215-482-8726

## **Variance Review Presentation**

### **492 Shurs Ln - Brian Bishara; Property owner, Paul Toner; Council**

- Looking to amend the usage of the house as two units.
- There is substantial evidence from the city from 1936, 1938, and 1971 to support their application to allow the two unit dwelling.
  - City is saying it is illegal due to the house being in an area zoned RSA-5
  - Straw poll was in favor of the variance.

## **Update on Development**

### **4112 Pechin St**

- Some CRCA members and a couple of near neighbors met with development and they are interested in dropping the plan for the apartment unit and are thinking about proposing 9 houses with parking.

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## **Other Discussions**

### **Victorian Roxborough Historic District**

- There was a hearing on April 20th with the historic commission, half of the residents in attendance were in favor and half of the residents in attendance were opposed.
  - Historic commission approved it for historic designation and moved it on to the next level
- On May 13th it goes to the full historic commission
  - Another opportunity for public comment
- You can write or email your comments ahead of time for their review.
- Email [preservation@phila.gov](mailto:preservation@phila.gov) with your letters and comments for their review.

## **Community Announcements**

**Two On Tuesdays** - Group of volunteers from across the community who take care of public spaces not maintained by the City.. Cutting back foliage, weeding, planting trees and flowers, removing trash, etc; they go out for pizza and beer afterwards. It's a good way to get to know people in your community.

- Email [johnmcarpenter@msn.com](mailto:johnmcarpenter@msn.com) if you would like to get involved.
- John Carpenter is also involved with the Roxborough Manayunk Conservancy, a group that is focused on preserving the open space in Roxborough and Manayunk.

## **Meeting conclusion**

- Throughout the meeting, 31 people were in attendance, including presenters. People were able to raise their hands to speak, or use the Chat function.
- Meeting was administered by multiple board members.