

Minutes for 12/07/2023 CRCA Meeting

Via Zoom 7:30pm

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

Approval of September, October, and November minutes

Officer Nominations for 2024 Board

President - John Carpenter

Vice President - Mike Katra

Corresponding Secretary - Celeste Hardester

Recording Secretary - Jim Petkovits

Treasurer - Chuck Broadbent

Board Chair - Alex Fidrych

John Carpenter - Presidents Report

- Grant received by the CRCA and donations from the gardeners at the RUN garden allowed us to hire a tree service to remove trees from the RUN garden. This will improve light and functionality of the Garden.

Lacy Rhoades- Update on website

- Updated the website to give it a new fresh look, started using Square Space for a user friendly and streamlined experience

David Rivenbark from Tarik Khan's office - State Representative

- There will be a winter newsletter coming to your inbox in the next few weeks
- You can contact Tarik Khan at:
 - RepTarik@pahouse.net
 - www.RepTarik.org
 - Office is located at 4001 Main St Suite 101
 - Mon - Fri 9 AM - 5 PM
 - Phone 215-482-8726

Update about the 6174 Ridge ave development project - John Carpenter

- Project was substantially revised since their first meeting with us over a year ago
- After 2 hours of presentation the straw poll was in favor of supporting the project

Update about the 6012 Ridge ave development project

- Developer has a by right permit for 12 apartments in the main building and 5 additional apartments in the other buildings on the property
- The exterior of the building must remain the same per the historic designation
- The project started on Monday and were issued a stop order on Tuesday because the developer had 20 - 30 truck loads of fill deposited onto the property

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Neighbors expressed their concerns with the development project on 6012 Ridge Ave

- Workmen are starting work before 8 am
- 10+ ft of soil all over the property without silt fencing, where is the dirt from, is it contaminated, is it from another job site?
- Debris on the sidewalks which make it dangerous for people walking by
- No signs posted for development project

Chuck Broadbent - Membership Update

- Dues for the 2024 calendar year will be due in January 2024
- There are 6 district rep seats open for districts 3, 5, 6, 10, 12, and 13 if you are interested in filling those spots please contact the CRCA board
- We now have 134 members for the 2023 year VS. only 82 members for the 2022 year
- Donations are very important to help us meet the financial demands to keep advocating for the neighborhood.
- You can donate online on the website

Village on the Ridge - Chuck Broadbent

- Finally has its 501 C3 status
- There will be a holiday social on December 15th from 10 am - 11:30 AM the the coffee shop mentioned below
- Meetings will be held in a new coffee shop that is taking the place of the bike store on Ridge ave across from Stanley's

Meeting conclusion

Throughout the meeting, 26 people were in attendance, including presenters. People were able to raise their hands to speak or use the Chat function.