

**Fishtown Area BID  
Board Meeting Agenda  
Thursday, September 28, 2023 at 10:00am  
1509 Front Street**

1. Welcome and Introductions (Call of the Roll)

Attendance: Matt Ross, Matt Riccotti, Jonathan Todd, Josh O, Skip, Randi, Marc, Kae, Scott, Lisa, Janay, Paul, Denise,

2. Approval of August 24, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes

Skip motions to approve, Lisa seconds, all in favor, motion carries.

3. Budget and Financial Report

Budget Review and Lien Update from Kae

Audit review is complete,

Paul motions to approve, Lisa seconds, all in favor, motion carries.

Grayman Update: no property owner calls from here regarding recent issues. Big uptick in unhoused neighbors, we are bringing in more folks and changing hours as needed to address. Tracking social media to stay on top of threats

Janay asked about liquor stores in the area, they are still closed and we do not know for sure when they will reopen, our guess is they will reopen for the weekend.

Food trucks are staying past midnight which is what statute allows. The trash and gathering is becoming an issue, and our nearby restaurants are suffering. We tried enforcement, trucks got tickets, but no action since. Our council members are researching legislative solutions.

4. Executive Director Updates

a). Pedestrian Plaza Update

1). Installation and Ground-Painting Completed!

2). Ribbon Cutting Ceremony: 10/3/2023 at 11:00 a.m.

Thanks to all involved hope to see you at the ribbon cutting.

b). Front and Girard Update

1). See attached plans for first activation of East Side of El Stop;

2). November Installation (Tentative).

Starting on the East side, had final approval with SEPTA this week, drawing up permits now. Goal is to begin install in late november, hoping to have it in by end of year. Will start by putting our ambassadors in there. We will be able to close it down when no one is in there. we have been trying to get the closed newsstand removed as well.

c). New Conservatorship (Act 135) Petition Update

1). 1500 Frankford Avenue (1500 Frankford consolidated with 9 West Jefferson Street);

2). July 24, 2023 Status Hearing;

3). BID Filed Petition to Appoint an Estate Administrator; and

4). Next Hearing: 10/23/2023 at 9:30 a.m..

Goal is that at this hearing we get permission to start taking proposals to remedy the building. payout from this would be end of this year or next year.

BID Reauthorization:

Had a convo with Philip Green from Commerce Dept to start the conversation. Sent in request to the city for data to formulate assessments. We are also working on survey for stakeholders and residents to gather feedback on services.

d). "Fishtown Showdown" Hockey Event----9/9/2023 at Fishtown Hockey Rink

1). Recap

Overall went very well, and gathered folks over to our East Girard bars. Our bars were very happy.

e). Fishtown District Transportation Planning

in the coming year, looking to create a more formalized transportation plan for the district with Indego, OTIS, streets, PennDOT, SEPTA, and others.

5. Director of Operations and Fishtown Co Reports (Kae Anderson)

1). Feativale Recap; Forecast called for a tropical storm, and overall it ended up being a good day.

2). Fishtown Freeze Weekend---12/9 and 12/10; and

3). Fishtown co. Updates.

Fishtown Taps, next week is last week. Seems a very successful program!

6. Marketing/Office Update: (Randi Sherwood)

1). Small Business Saturday----11/25/2023.

Supporting our businesses and events through social media. Our social media has been doing very well, IG is over 6K and getting a ton of interaction and thank you's from businesses.

7. New Business

The Saint on Sunday, Sundae dance party 20th anniversary block party. 2PM

New Italian American steakhouse in Rivers has opened and is doing well. Stop by!  
Looking forward to a boutique hotel component opening next year at the battery.

8. Adjournment

Janay motions, Skip seconds, all in favor, meeting adjourned.