

**Official Minutes of Rahway Arts and Business
Partnership Board of Trustees Board Meeting**

May 9, 2019 at 6:30pm

**Office of the Rahway Arts and Business Partnership,
2 City Hall Plaza 2nd floor, Rahway, NJ 07065**

This meeting was properly advertised in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

Call to Order: Meeting Called to order 6:37 pm

Roll Call:

President, Joel Schwartz

Vice President, Larry Fishman

Secretary Patricia Kozlowski

Treasurer Ron Dolce

Matthew Dobrowolski

David Crespo

Councilwoman Joanna Miles

Executive Director Amy Garcia Phillips

Guest Speaker Joe Brown

*Absent from the Meeting: Danni Newbury, Managing Director Ann Marie Williams

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Vote to Approve funding the Comcast Commercial:

Motion: Patricia Kozlowski Second: Ron Dolce

Yes: Ron Dolce, Dave Crespo, Patricia Kozlowski, Matt Dobrowolski, President Joel Schwartz, Vice President Larry Fishman. Nay : 0

Absent: Danni Newbury

Executive Directors' Report

Under City Beautification, the RA+BP will consider funding an engineering study for the train trestles most in need of attention and repair. Repairs will be completed by Amtrak. President Joel Schwartz suggests that the RA+BP have more information prior to the vote and that the RA+BP undertakes a specific visual project that can be done easily yet have big impact.

The RA+BP has commissioned a new walking map. It is being created by Andrew Garcia Phillips of Chartball, and Patricia Kozlowski of Orange Peanut.

Additional murals will be added to the Paseo on the building belonging to ADS. ADS is getting estimates on the surface repairs needed before additional artwork can be placed. Joel Schwartz indicated that a tree has died and is in need of removal. Amy Garcia Phillips will reach out to the City and DPW.

Financial Report

The Executive Director reviewed the expenses for: Cherry Street Banners for Spring; Culture Crawl March Comedy Club Pop UP; What's the Word Spoken Word; and the Sign and Awning Grant Program;

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The Board suggested recording testimonials from recipients.

The RA+BP reviewed the current financials for the Taste of Spring. It was another successful event, netting over \$18,000 profit.

Ann Marie Williams entered the meeting 7:48pm

The Executive Team reviewed the financials for February 2019.

Status of new account at Northfield, pending meeting with bookkeeper to arrange how reporting and bookkeeping will be handled.

Old Business

The Executive Team would like to thank Trustee and Taste of Spring Committee Chair, Matt Dobrowolski on his tireless effort and a very successful event.

Update from the City- Councilwoman Joanna Miles

Councilwoman Joanna Miles reported that a vote is coming before Council to vote to approve the new parking meters and to vote to allow current permit parking spaces to become open parking. She believes the measure will pass.

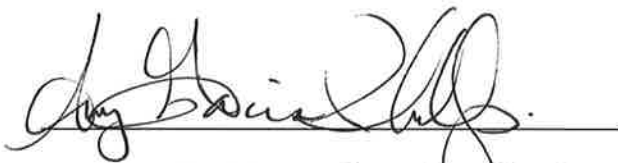
Vote to Adjourn the meeting:

Motion: Ron Dolce Second: Matt Dobrowolski

Yes: Ron Dolce, Dave Crespo, Patricia Kozlowski, Matt Dobrowolski, President Joel Schwartz, Vice President Larry Fishman. Nay : 0

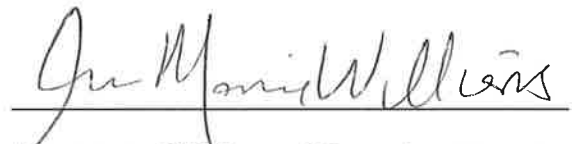
Absent: Danni Newbury

Meeting adjourned 7:57pm



Amy Garcia Phillips, Executive Director

Date signed: 6/27/2019



Ann Marie Williams, Managing Director

Date signed: 6/27/2019

