



B O R O U G H O F R A R I T A N

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Regular Meeting

August 28th, 2025

AGENDA

1) Open Public Meetings Statement:

In accordance with Section 5 of the Open Public Meeting Act, Chapter 231, Public Law 1975, be advised that adequate notice of this Meeting of the Environmental Commission of the Borough of Raritan, County of Somerset was made by posting on the Raritan Borough website indicating that this Meeting would take place at the Raritan Municipal Building at 7:00 p.m. on August 28th, 2025. In addition, a copy of this notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

2) Roll Call

- Juan Alvarez; Olga Metaxas; Emilie Stander; Tony Sacino; Christopher Gussman; Heath Hofmeister; Ben Harris; Adam Armahizer, Council Liaison

3) Flag Salute

4) Approval of Minutes from July 17th

5) Report from Borough Council

6) Report from Planning Board

7) Public Comment

8) Discussion Items

- Green Communities trainings – looking for a volunteer (Adam)
- Planning upcoming outreach events
 - Composting workshop, Oct 4
 - Location
 - Purchasing materials
 - Advertising
 - Tree planting at Elizabeth Ave park
 - Funding
 - River clean up, Sept 27/28
- Update and status of proposed revision of bylaws
 - Did the new lawyer have a chance to review? (Adam)
- Ordinance review planning (Emilie)
- Social media update and planning (Ben)
- Raritan Mall redevelopment
 - Volunteers needed to work on site-specific checklist for Planning Board
 - Outreach to LSRP to better understand timing of remediation and construction
- RVCC tree/forest health communication materials (Emilie)
- Hydration station at JFK splash park or Nevius St bridge using Clean Communities funding
- Plans for upcoming visits to EC meetings
 - Ed Carrington (Duke Farms)

- Borough engineer
- Outreach to scouts

9) New Business

- Cameras for real-time flash flood monitoring: initial discussion and brainstorming
- Microforest or rain garden at small open space on Orlando Dr

10) Adjournment