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M U N I C I P A L B U I L D I N G

22 FIRST STREET

RARITAN, NJ 08869

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

MINUTES - May 15, 2013

- Meeting Call to Order - 7:11 PM
- Sunshine Act - This Meeting was called in compliance with the provisions of the "Open Public Meetings Act" of the State of New Jersey. Notices of this meeting were sent to The Courier News and The Star Ledger. In addition, copies of notices were posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building, on the Raritan Borough website and filed in the Office of the Borough Clerk on aforementioned date. Notices on the bulletin board have remained continuously posted. Proper notice having been given, the Commission Secretary is directed to include this statement in the minutes of this meeting.
- Roll Call – Karen Baez arrived at 7:15, Candace Bauer np , Elizabeth Horvath p, Annmarie McCarthy p, Olga Metaxas p, Lindsay SanGiacomo np , Rick Zack p
- Also Present – Councilman Soriano
- Flag Salute
- Approve Meeting Minutes For April motion rick, 2nd rick all present approved.
- Report From Borough Council
 - Flea market details
 - Bike Races
 - Little Young and Tall Yoga on the Bridge
- Report from Planning Board Liaison
 - One application this month for the property at the corner of 2nd Street and Anderson Street. Looking to convert the garage space into goods storage and packaging for online business. Currently residential non-conforming and 100% lot coverage. Non retail, so no need for parking requirements. Former gasoline service station which ceased in 1992.
- Public Comments/Questions - None
- Correspondence/ Articles of Interest - none
- Local Eagle Scout Letter – explained the plan to remove tires from the river. Anything found in the Raritan portion proposed to be disposed of by Raritan DPW.
- Rose Day/Garden Day – Tabled until next meeting

- Shred Day – June 22nd from 9-1, Karen and Jillian will attend. Liz will reach out to Linda Doyle with Bridgewater to confirm. Location – Bridgewater Municipal Building
- Old Business
 - Bike Race – do we want a table?
 - Sustainable Jersey – meeting with Dave Maski
 - Borough Website – Tip of the month. Rick suggested using the Facebook and taking content from there to put onto the Borough Website. Everyone try to bring in a “tip of the month” so we have a collection to run with. Discussed some various tips (unplugging unused cords, timed outlets, orange peel uses...)
- New Business
 - Water usage education flyer.
 - Eco-Day in Bridgewater – Olga went to Bridgewater’s event. Free reusable bag handouts, aluminum water bottle, food from Applebees, Red Lobster. The event took place the first weekend in May. There was also face painting. It would be good to reach out to Bridgewater to see how they organized it.
- Other issues/concerns
- Adjournment motion by Liz, seconded by Karen, voice vote taken with all in favor.