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## ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

June 16, 2016

Secretary McCarthy called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

Secretary McCarthy read the following Open Public Meetings Act 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 the posting on the bulletin board at the Borough Hall and transmitted to the officially designated newspapers indicating that this Meeting would take place at the Borough Hall, Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m. on June 16, 2016. In addition a copy of this notice is and has been made available to the public and is on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.”

The roll call was as follows:

Present: Michael DeCicco, Thomas Delacruz, Ann Marie McCarthy, Secretary, Olga Metaxas, Rick Zack, Planning Board Liaison  
Absent: Jerry Kovac, Chairman & Eric Wilde

Everyone present participated in the Salute to the Flag.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Secretary McCarthy presented the following minutes for approval: April 21, 2016. The aforesaid minutes were approved upon motion by Mr. DeCicco, seconded by Mr. Zack and carried upon voice vote.

### **REPORT FROM BOROUGH COUNCIL**

There was no report from the Borough Council at this time.

### **REPORT FROM PLANNING BOARD**

Mr. Zack reported there are no plans before the Planning Board that require review by the Environmental Commission. Mr. DeCicco asked for an up-to-date open space inventory noting that it can be obtained from the Tax Assessor's Office.

### **PUBLIC DISCUSSION**

A motion was made by Mr. DeCicco, seconded by Ms. Metaxas to open the meeting to the public. Said motion carried unanimously upon voice vote.

There being no comments from the public at this time, a motion was made by Mr. DeCicco to close the meeting to the public. Said motion was seconded by Mr. Delacruz and carried unanimously upon voice vote

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

Ms. Metaxas stated that rubbing a banana peel on poison ivy is a cure. She stated it can be applied as needed. Ms. Metaxas stated a way to get rid of ants is to put flour in the area with the ants. She stated the ants eat the flour and they die.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

The Commission discussed holding an Eco Blast similar to the Bridgewater's Eco Blast. The Commission also discussed River Fest. It was stated it was being held on September 25<sup>th</sup> and run by an outside vendor, Don Tozzi. The Commission discussed participating in River Fest and the items needed. Assignments were made and discussion of last minute details would be made at the July or August Commission meeting.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Mr. Delacruz reported the paperwork for the Prescription Collection was submitted at the Police Department. A motion was made to implement the Prescription Collection by Mr. Delacruz, seconded by Ms. Metaxas and carried unanimously upon call of the roll. Mr. Delacruz stated the need for a lock box. Mr. Delacruz stated the need of support from the Mayor and Council and the Police Department.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Mr. DeCicco, seconded by Ms. Metaxas to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 p.m. Said motion carried unanimously upon call of the roll.

Approved:  
Date:

Ann Marie McCarthy, Secretary