

NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, APRIL 22, 2004 AT 7:00 P.M.

**MINUTES OF THE RP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
March 25, 2004**

As a quorum could not be reached, an informal meeting was held via email in order to conduct business for this month, it having been duly noted that this meeting is being held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., notice of which was sent to The Record on the 29th day of December, 2003, and to the Star-Ledger on the 29th day of December, 2003. Members participating in the email were: Jim Ruff, Barbara Frimmer, Kathy Jacob, Dana Moaven, Maureen Nassan, Linda and Steve Quinn. An actual meeting with voting will take place at the April meeting.

The minutes of the February 26, 2004, meeting could not be approved as there was no quorum.

The amount of \$1,200.00 was encumbered under voucher no. 7590 for the Earth Day Celebration scheduled for April 24, 2004. All vouchers submitted need to have this number on them.

The insurance certificate is in for the Earth Day banner and the application submitted and the banner will be hung for one week prior to Earth Day.

Invitations to Earth Day were sent to:

DPW	Village Gardener's (Debbie D'Auria)	Girl Scouts
HMDC	St. Francis School	Boy Scouts
Wanda Canoe Club	Hackensack Riverkeeper	Dr. Richardson
		(Principal Onorato - contact)

Notice was sent to Channel 10, The Record, Bergen News and put on Community Message Board and Channel 10 Message Board.

Jim Ruff will contact Dave Street to confirm his performance at the Earth Day celebration. Maureen Nassan has already been in touch with Risky Business Band.

Maureen Nassan advised of the following:

- 1) She spoke to Elsa Martinez. She helped with the food at last year's Earth Day. She said she would be happy to help this out this year and will gather up some troops. Maureen told her it would be the same as last year. Hot dogs, soda, snacks, etc. The money and anything left over will be for the school. Maureen received a quote from American Gothic Landscaping. Maureen will give it to Barbara for safekeeping.
- 2) Maureen received a bill from Second Nature Landscaping for \$1,900 for the deposit on the planting in Riverfront Park.

Further discussion will have to be held on this before any action can take place. Voting will be done when an actual meeting can take place.

Kathy Jacob submitted a bill, which she put on her Visa, to the CMBO Center for Research and Education in Cape May. This is for four books requested by John Anlian for the schools: "Bridges to the Natural World." The price was \$35.96 each coming to \$143.84. Kathy extracted a 10% discount from them. With \$7.00 shipping the total comes to \$150.84. A voucher will be submitted for her reimbursement.

Kathy Jacob also advised that she would be unable to be there on Earth Day as her granddaughter is being confirmed. Barbara Frimmer already advised that she is unable to attend the Earth Day celebration.

A letter was sent to Commissioner D'Auria on February 27, 2004, regarding the Bergen County Mosquito Control Division requesting permission to perform aerial spraying in Ridgefield Park as needed throughout the summer months. The Commission inquired if permission was granted despite its objections and also inquired what would be sprayed. No response has been received to date.

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Respectfully submitted,

Barbara DeLuca