MINUTES OF THE RP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION NOVEMBER 16, 2005

Maureen Nassan called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m., 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 31st day of December, 2004, and to the Star-Ledger on the 31st day of December, 2004. Members present were: Madelaine Cappucio, Barbara Frimmer, Dana Moaven and Maureen Nassan. Linda Quinn, Kathy Jacob, Jim Ruff and Steve Quinn could not make the meeting.

The minutes of the September 21, 2005, meeting were approved. There was no meeting in October.

Maureen Nassan brought samples of some calendar months for the Commission to look at. Maureen is desperately looking for pictures of Ridgefield Park in the various seasons. Members should email Maureen or get them to her so that she can scan them into the calendar. A memo will be sent to all members asking them to send any pictures as soon as possible.

A letter was sent in August to Anders & McMeel to ask for permission to quote various information from the book 50 Simple Things Kids Can Do to Save the Earth. No reply has been received to date.

A discussion was held on how to distribute the calendars, as only a limited supply will be available. The Commission needs to find out how much bulk mailing will cost and then it can see if there is enough money to print one for each household, which would be approximately 5,000.

Maureen will look for quotations on printing of the calendars to see who will give the lowest price. She will try the two local printers, Thomsen Litho Inc. (201) 489-1133 and Advertisers Services Group, Inc. (201) 440-5577 to get a price from them.

Earth Day for next year is scheduled for April 29, 2006. Barbara Frimmer spoke to Jim Pascale from IGA and he will provide the bags to be decorated by the students and distributed the week before Earth Day. Mr. Onorato, the school's coordinator, will be contacted to inform him of this activity. Enrollment in the schools is as follows: Roosevelt and Lincoln – 375, Grant 225, St. Francis 300.

Maureen Nassan will make up the battery-recycling flyer so that it can be distributed in the schools. Mr. Onorato will also be informed of the contest so that he can inform the schools that it will be done again. The Commission will also ask Mr. Onorato about obtaining permission to publish the schools' numbers

so that people may drop off used cartridges for recycling. Madelaine Cappucio will contact the reptile person to arrange for a show at Earth Day Again. Maureen Nassan will contact Risky Business to arrange for music.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 14, 2005.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara DeLuca