RARITAN TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION/GREEN TEAM

MEETING AGENDA FOR MEETING TUESDAY, MAY 1, 2018

CALL TO ORDER – The meeting was called to order by Michelle Cavalchire, Chairperson, at 7:37 pm at the Raritan Township Municipal Building, One Municipal Drive, Flemington, NJ 08822.

ROLL CALL – In attendance were commission members: Michelle Cavalchire, Amy Green, Kathy Hale, Ray Simonds, Grace Mitchko, Jayne Gilbert and Rezaul Karim. Absent members include: Lori Kugler, Rob Ivanoff and Township Committee Liaison.

PUBLIC COMMENT – There were no representatives from the public.

COUNTY HEALTH DEPT. TICK EDUCATION PROGRAM – Tadhgh Rainey and Health Dept. Representative have not completed their draft of the Tick Education project.

GREEN TEAM – No report.

COMMUNITY FORESTRY – Discussed plan for CEUs in 2018 in Hunterdon County. This is still in the planning phase. Wildlife Management has done studies on natural forests. Fencing the forest of a few acres would keep the deer out of the area. It would take 7 years to have the forest recover. The final cost was discussed as well as wetlands issues. There is a concern that fertilizer is running off of fields leading to a problem of algae in a portion of the wetlands. The water needs to be tested to determine the problem. The next meeting will be May 14 to discuss the situation at Lenape Park.

OPEN SPACE – There were 125 trees planted Walnut Brook Preserve. On May 21 there will be an Hunterdon County Open Space meeting Hunterdon County building.

TREASURER – No report

PLANNING Board – The Hollenback property will go to the Planning Board. The Francovilla property was also discussed. The final resolution for Raritan Town Square was discussed. The food truck issue was also discussed. It is gone now but had requested a waiver.

CORRESPONDENCE – None

OLD BUSINESS – Rain Garden Maintenance is ongoing. A date is needed to be set.
Hunterdon County Earth Day was be on April 21. We distributed 500 trees.

NEW BUSINESS –. Road Cleanup program will be May 19. Volunteers needed

SITE PLAN REVIEW – None

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm. The next meeting will be May 15.