

# Agenda of the Raritan and Millstone Rivers Flood Control Commission April 23, 2014

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## CALL TO ORDER - WELCOME

## OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

“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 Raritan and Millstone Rivers Flood Control Commission was made by the posting on the bulletin boards in the participating municipalities and transmitted to the officially designated newspapers, a list of dates, annually, indicating that this Meeting would take place at the Manville Borough Municipal Building, 325 North Main Street, Manville, NJ on Wednesday, April 23, 2014. In addition, a copy of this notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk in the Township of Franklin.”

## ROLL CALL

Roll call Members on the Commission

Towns	Present	Absent	Arrival Time
Bridgewater			
Franklin			
Hillsborough			
Manville			
Millstone			
Montgomery			
Rocky Hill			
Somerville			
South Bound Brook			
Raritan			
Somerset County			
Total			

Source: FJJ

## FLAG SALUTE/MOMENT OF SILENCE

## INTRODUCTION - Overview -Notes

- Contact information
  - o New Email address :
    - rmrfcc <[rmrfcc@gmail.com](mailto:rmrfcc@gmail.com)>
  - o New Email address :
    - rmrfcc <[rmrfcc@rmrfcc.org](mailto:rmrfcc@rmrfcc.org)>
- Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/#!/RMR FCC>
- Webpage [www.RMR FCC.ORG](http://www.RMR FCC.ORG)
- New email will come after webpage is up
- Phone# (406) 356-6365 (floodnj)
- **Somerset County Presentation:** May 27, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.
- **Next Meeting:** May 28, 2014 in Hillsborough, Dukes Farms at 7:00 p.m.
- 2014 officers
  - o Chairman: Frank Jurewicz (Manville)
  - o Vice-Chair: Dan Dixon (Millstone)
  - o Treasurer: Kevin Sluka (Somerville)
  - o Commission Secretary: Alice Whitman (Millstone)
  - o 1<sup>st</sup> Trustee: Name: Scott Thomas (Franklin)
  - o 2<sup>nd</sup> Trustee: Name Gail Smith(Montgomery)
- 2014 Paid position
  - o Recording Secretary and Webpage Admin : Ann Marie McCarthy
  - o Board Attorney: David Singer
  - o Public Relations: Rebecca Perkins
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## SECRETARY'S REPORT

### Approval of Minutes:

- RESOLVED, the Commission approves the minutes of the March 31, 2014 meeting.

### Correspondence:

Email and Mail sent to the Commission from:

- **Earth Day Raritan River Clean-Up** sponsored by the Borough of Raritan/Environmental Commission on Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup> at 11 a.m. (Meet at site/parking lot behind Basilone statute off of Somerset Street)
- **Rain Garden Workshop** for Raritan, Somerville and Bridgewater residents - April 29<sup>th</sup> from 6 pm to 8 pm or May 3<sup>rd</sup> from 10 am to Noon - Dukes Farms Orientation Center, 1112 Dukes Parkway West, Hillsborough. Register with Michelle (NJ Water Supply Authority) at 908-685-0315 x223.

## TRESURER'S REPORT (Kevin Sluka)

- 1) Claims for Payment: Ann Marie McCarthy - 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Payment - \$600.00
- 2) Income: \$1,250.00
- 3) Budget Encumbrances: None

4) Donation of Gift to RMR FCC: None

#### **FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT (KEVIN SLUKA)**

The balance of the account as of April 22, 2014 is \$8,792.84.

Following agency dues are paid: Bridgewater; Hillsborough; Millstone; Raritan; Rocky Hill; Somerville; South Bound Brook

Please touch base with your municipality to ensure that membership invoices were received and are being processed.

Payments in the amount of \$250 are due for year 2014.

#### **ANNUAL DUES \$250**

Checks or purchase orders can be sent to:

Mail checks to:

P.O. BOX 8736

Somerville, NJ, 08876

- **Motion** - Acceptance of offer that Somerset County will appropriate \$5,000 each year to the Raritan & Millstone Rivers Flood Control Commission with the provision that each participating municipality appropriates \$500.00 each year.

#### **LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT (Dan Dixon, Steven Rodzinak and Ed Zimmerman)**

- Setup meeting with our representatives
- Work with intern to get data on the rivers
- The Commission will continue correspondence with supporting Legislation and seek further contact with our Senators and Governor. The Board is open to meeting in Washington DC to express its dedication to the completion of the US Army Corps of Engineers study and to mitigate the flooding in Somerset County.

#### **ENGINEERING COMMITTEE REPORT (Carl Andreassen, Tom Belanger, Scott Thomas, Gail Smith)**

- Overview of each plan of the study going to NJDEP

#### **PUBLIC RELATION and COMMUNICATION COMMITTEE REPORT (Alison Whitman)**

- Work with Rutgers to create the Web page.
- Frank, Alison and Dan will work with Rebecca to do presentation.
- Appoint member to the committee

#### **MONTHLY STATUS REPORT - ARMY CORPS of ENGINEERS**

Update and status report on study

Project Manager: Robert Greco

Email: Robert.Greco@usace.army.mil

Mail: 26 Federal Plaza, New York, NY 10278

- Status review at the project plans sent to the NJDEP at the meeting.

### **PRESENTATION:**

Carl Andreassen: Water Level Meter along the Raritan and Millstone Rivers

<http://nationalmap.gov/streamer/webApp/streamer.html>

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- Go over Goal and objectives for 2014.
- Setup a meeting with the County for the yearly funding.
- Reach out to Branchburg to joint commission
- Status on the state flood commission
- Setting up Presentation for Freeholder in April
- Can we be setup to raise money? (DS).
- Letter to Federal representative for funding project for 2014.
  - Setup a meeting to talk to our representative in Washington.
- Setup meeting to present our point of view of the 3 plans with our State representatives, NJDEP and Army Corp of engineers.
- American Water Grants
  - Setup live cam, water meter and weather station at the point.
  - Cleanup Raritan River (Finderne Bridge to the Point) 2015

### **NEW BUSINESS**

*None*

### **PUBLIC PORTION**

### **COMMENTS FROM THE COMMISSION MEMEBERS**

### **ADJOURNMENT**