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## Meeting Agenda - Red Bank Environmental Commission

**Location:** 90 Monmouth Street, 1st Floor, Council Chambers  
**Date:** April 1, 2025  
**Time:** 7:00pm - 8:30pm

LAST	FIRST	Present	TITLE
Rodriguez			
Heyman	Paulo	Y	RBEC Member (Chair)
Godek-Johns			
on	Denelle	Y	RBEC Member (Vice-Chair)
Almerini	Ana	Y	RBEC Member (Secretary)
Johnson	Dave	Y	RBEC Member
Leder	Jenna	Y	RBEC Member
Carlin	Scott	Y	RBEC Member
Massey	Megan	N	RBEC Member (Planning Board Liaison)
Schroder	Alix	Y	RBEC Alternate #1
Sala	Luisa	Y	RBEC Alternate #2
Facey-Black			
wood	Nancy	Y	RBEC Liaison to the Council
Blyskun	Helena	N	Green Team Member
McArthur	E. Pamela	Y	Green Team Member
Wokas	Eric	N	Green Team Member
Trifiro	Sal	N	Green Team Member
Martin	Travers	N	Green Team Member
Salinas	Oscar	N	Green Team Member (Parks & Rec)
Walton	Terrence	N	Green Team Member (DPU)

### Agenda Details:

1. Attendance
2. Review/approve last month's meeting minutes; remit to Borough Clerk
  - a. Mary Warner - Animal Welfare Committee
    - i. 500 native plants are ready to order for a teaching garden - need volunteers to plant on May 10th
    - ii. Native Habitat Garden encouragement - homes around town can gain recognition
    - iii. National Wildlife Federation's Community Wildlife Habitat Certification - Red Bank could likely work toward certification



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- 1. Will be promoted at the Green Fair
- 3. Public/Guest Comment
- 4. Current Initiatives - Round Robin
  - a. Updates from Liaisons
    - i. Council (Nancy Blackwood)
      - 1. Planning board approved plan for Marine Parks - Native Plant list will be needed in May
    - ii. Planning Board (Megan Massey)
  - b. ~Admin
  - c. ~Miscellaneous
  - d. Green Fair - April 10th - 5-7pm at Red Bank Middle School
    - i. The EC and those tabling can get in at 4pm
      - 1. The library will be attending this year
    - ii. There will be giveaways for the rain barrel and a composter - 18 or older winners only
    - iii. The EC will promote Buy Nothing Red Bank
    - iv. The RBEC will provide crayons and paper for a kids' corner
  - e. Events
    - i. 10 APR: Arely Carillo of the RBR Dreamers Club is hosting a cleanup starting from Coffee Corral. Great opportunity for ECGT to coordinate with them.
      - 1. Canopy Crossroad also wants to host a cleanup
    - ii. 12 APR: Lois Kraus: any interest in screening Plastic People for free in April? Must be an in person event (no Zoom). Thoughts re: RB, LS, FH, and Rumson co-hosting? Also try LS Women's Club.
      - 1. Potential to partner with Basie Cinemas
    - iii. 07 JUN 9am to 12:30pm; Eco-Fest @ Victory Park; Sustainable Jersey points are available for towns who participate and help spread the word
      - 1. Possible to have a few volunteers
  - f. Marine Park Update
    - i. Paulo shared planting suggestions with Travers, who will share EC suggestions for native plants
    - ii. Quartz-sand infill will be used within the park instead of turf
      - 1. Reduction of turf use
    - iii. Road access ideally should be pervious
      - 1. If a pervious surface is cost-prohibitive, consideration for poured concrete over asphalt
  - g. RBEC Annual Report
  - h. Grants
    - i. Existing Grants
      - 1. \$20,000 Sustainable Jersey grant - applied, grant notification is usually in May



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- 2. ANJEC Grant for Open Space Stewardship Grant - potential to submit a grant
  - ii. Ideas for New Grants
    - i. Ordinances
    - j. Website Updates
    - k. Gas-Powered Leaf Blower (GLB) Reduction
    - l. Food Waste and Composting
    - m. Renewable Energy
      - i. RGEA
    - n. Safe Drinking Water
      - i. Borough Drinking Water
      - ii. Lead in Pipes
    - o. Site Plans Review
    - p. Stormwater and Green Infrastructure
    - q. West Westside Pollinator Garden
- 5. New Initiatives
- 6. Conclusion:
  - a. Next Meeting Date/Time: May 6, 2025; 7:00pm to 8:30pm