## ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES October 9, 2013

The October 9, 2013 meeting, of the Bass River Township Environmental Commission, was called to order at 7:10 P.M. and opened with the flag salute.

Ed Truitt said the Environmental Commission is being held in conformance with the "Sunshine Law" and the Open Public Meetings Act.

The following members were present: Ed Truitt, Ken Rose, and Carol Bitzberger.

The chairman, Ed Truitt, announced that Henry Bourguignon resigned from the Environmental Commission.

The minutes of the September 11, 2013 meeting were made available to the members. A motion to approve the minutes as written was made by Kenny Rose and seconded by Carol Bitzberger. The motion was carried.

The Chairman then announced the following correspondence was received:

- ANJEC Report Autumn 2013. This was filed in the Environmental Commission filing cabinet located in the Bass River Municipal Building.
- A letter from LOMAX Consulting Group providing Legal Notification, dated September 12, 2013, that an application has been submitted to the NJDEP, Land Use Regulation Program for a permit for development, for Viking. This was discussed and no action was taken. The letter was filed in the Bass River Municipal Building.
- Bass River Township Code Enforcement Complaint Report opened August 22, 2013 and letter to the Board of Commissioners, dated September 9, 2013, concerning Hazardous Material Released into the Air and a Toxic Odor.
  - The Board discussed the Bass River Code Enforcement Complaint Report concerning Hazardous Material and it was suggested and agreed on, to write a letter to the Board of Commissioners asking if

signs could be posted in visible areas within the Township to display to residents the Hot Line number for the NJDEP if other incidents occur. The members of the Environmental Commission agreed to send a letter to the Board of Commissioners.

The anonymous letter that was received at the September 11<sup>th</sup> Environmental Commission meeting was brought up again. Members of the Commission discussed the situation at 52 Ishmeal Road because several members had driven by and thought maybe the complaint was legitimate.

The meeting was then opened to the public at 7:35. There was public comment about the situation at 52 Ishmeal Road and a decision was made by members of the Environmental Commission to also include this situation in their letter to the Board of Commissioners about posting the NJDEP Hot-Line number.

The Commission discussed that it might be a better situation to open each subject that is discussed by the board to the public to receive comments. All members on the Environmental Commission agreed that this would be a good idea, and will be incorporated at future meetings.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 7:47.

I hereby certify these minutes to be true,

Carol A. Bibling

Carol A. Bitzberger Secretary of the Environmental Commission