

Demarest Environmental Commission Minutes
Tuesday, June 23, 2026
7:00 PM
118 Serpentine Road, Demarest, NJ 07627

I. Open Meeting

“This meeting was advertised in accordance with the Open Meetings Act of NJ.”

II. Attendance

The following committee members were present: Rajiv Krishnamurthy, Noelle Tutunjian, David Lerner. Absent committee member: Ted Alevrontas, James Chang, Angela Rodin

III. Old Business

- a. Community engagement / NVD liaison / social media
- b. Northern Valley EC engagement
- c. Community solar
- d. Community composting household sign-ups: Noelle is working on marketing materials to assist in door-to-door knocking. At our July meeting we will discuss ways that the EC can incentivize new participant sign-ups.
- e. 75 Anderson Ave zoning variance: David shared the outcome of July’s Joint Planning Board review of 75 Anderson Ave. The variance was approved.

IV. New Business

- a. Native tree recommendations / invasive species: this topic was delayed
- b. SOAR Education program: three sessions were approved for July, one of which is being sponsored by the EC
- c. 5th Grade Educational Program: Demarest 5th grade teacher reached out to the EC early June about joining the 5th grade classroom to educate students on the EC. While we didn’t have enough time to prepare for a June 2026 session, Rajiv will follow-up regarding joining during the next school year.

V. Adjourn Meeting

Motion was made and approved to adjourn the meeting