Raritan Borough Re-Organization Meeting January 6, 2013

I would like to welcome all residents and guests to the 2013 re-organization meeting. It is an honor for me to be appointed as Council President this year. In my first year of council I enjoyed very much learning and working with Mayor Liptak and the Council especially Councilwoman Stefanie Gara.

I look forward to providing our annual calendar, last years calendar was a big hit and I anticipate this years to be even bigger. One of my goals this year is to bring more people into the Borough of Raritan by having our 2nd Annual Riverfest and Rubber Duck Race which for the first time gave Raritan a relationship with the Steelplechase Cancer Center. This year we will also be brining the bike race back to town. I am also working on having a monthly flea market, farmers market and music in the park. I feel the more people that know about the Raritan will help move the borough ahead and make it easier for our business to prosper.

2012 I worked with the Raritan Library and Building and Grounds. I was also liaison to the Historical and Cultural Commission. This year I am looking forward to working with Public Works the Police Department and Youth on Main. This year Councilwoman Stefanie Gara and I will be Cochairing the Riverfest Committee. The Riverfest and the Rubber Duck Race was one of the biggest charity events that our Community has ever had. It raised over \$15,000.00 and business that participated had a great day. It brought thousands of people into Raritan to show what we have to offer, my goal this year is to make Riverfeset twice as big for 2013. I appreciate everyone's help and input I have taken this as a personal responsibility being the founder of the Rubber Duck Race.

My main objective is to bring Raritan residents a fuller safer healthier quality of life and to do what ever I can to help our business in anyway I can. Because that is what Council people in a community should do.

Please feel free to contact me with any of your comments or questions. I found being Councilmen is very rewarding in many ways example walking in the Basilone parade, checking in with the businesses during Hurricane Sandy and best of all just getting your comments good or bad.

I look forward to serving our community as best as I can in 2013.