

Environmental Commission Minutes October 8, 2009

Call to Order: Rayna Laiosa, Patricia Hutzelman, Rosanne Zagatta, and Robert Maggio

Guest: Mary Mahon, Nicole Byrd, Oliva Gagliardi, Kenetha Kilmurray, John Dorval

- I. Attendance and Acceptance of Minutes –September 2009
Motion by Patricia Hutzelman, Second by Robert Maggio
- II. Water Report Update - Month of August and September 2009 was reviewed and discussed. All water results are fine, below NJDEP water quality standards.
- III. Update on Green Idea Subcommittee Meeting September 28, 2009 - Discussed team's progress.
 - a. Vision Statement Finalized. This will guide our short and long term goals.
 - b. Develop short and long term projects and goals for a Sustainable Hawthorne
 - i. Environmental Commission – Action Plan development – Mary Mahon
 - ii. Green Fair – Action Plan development – Pat Hutzelman
 - c. T-shirt Contest – Design a Green T-Shirt for Cel-Earth-Bration 2010 – Rosanne will work with the Department of Public Works, Doug Morgan, in the preparation of the contest paperwork for the schools system.
 - d. **Next Green Idea Meeting Monday October 26, 2009 at 7:30 pm Hawthorne Library**
- IV. Hawthorne Day Preparation September 26, 2009 – Successful Event!
 - a. Flyer distributed to residents created by Mary Mahon
 - b. Techniart and Porchlight Organization – Energy Lightening Fair – 600 free compact fluorescent light bulbs were given out to Hawthorne residents. In addition, there was a total of 152 energy lightening equipment sold to Hawthorne residents.
- V. ANJEC Annual Environmental Congress Saturday October 17, 2009 Rutgers University – Discussed the Congress and requested commissioner's participation.
- VI. 8 Acre Woods - Japanese Stiltgrass – The High School Ecology will work developing a plan on how to address the Japanese Stiltgrass as a project in the Spring 2010. Commissioners discussed posting a sign that the 8 Acre Woods close after dusk to prevent people from entering the area late at night.
- VII. Environmental Endowment for New Jersey, Inc. 2010 Grant Deadline December 15, 2009 – John Dorval will research the grant application requirements.
- VIII. Passaic County Department of Economic Development
 - a. Passaic County \$200,000 grant from EPA Brownsfield Program. – A letter of support was submitted on behalf of Hawthorne for the proposed EPA Brownsfield program grant.
 - b. Next Passaic County Brownsfield Commission Meeting - October 21, 2009 at 3:00 pm Totowa Business Complex 930 Riverview Drive, Totowa, NJ – Commissioners are welcome to attend the meeting.
- IX. NJDEP Public Notification and Outreach deadline September 2, 2009 – Hawthorne has received public notifications from:
 - a. Hawthorne Realty 179 Goffle Road
 - b. Getty 415 Wagaraw Road
- X. NJDEP Correspondence to the Borough of Hawthorne – Discussed the below topics.
 - a. Suspected Hazardous Substance Discharge Notification NJDEP Cases
 - b. Remedial Updates on Shell Motiva 92 Lafayette Avenue

- c. Remedial Approval – 179 Goffle Road
 - d. Notice of Deficiency Letters – 1173 Goffle Road
 - e. No Further Action Letter and Covenant Not To Sue
 - i. 30 Peach Tree Court (one 1,000 gallon #2 heating oil underground storage tank)
 - ii. Hawthorne Auto Exchange 36-38 Lincoln Avenue (one 550 gallon waste oil underground storage tank)
 - iii. Block 21, Lot 7 174 Lincoln Avenue (one 1,000 gallon #2 heating oil underground storage tank)
- XI. Realty Acquisition Group Formerly Hawthorne Spring Company Property
- a. Remedial Investigation Report/Remedial Action Report/Remedial Investigation Workplan Report dated August 18, 2009 – Lisa and Rayna will be reviewing the report and provide comments to the Borough of Hawthorne.
- XII. Report from Board of Adjustment – Encourage Environmental Commissioners to attend the meeting.
- a. Hertiage Hills by Patriot Development – Board of Adjustment Monday October 19, 2009 7:00 pm meeting
- XIII. Report from Planning Board - No updates at this time.
- XIV. Updates on Issues and Commissioners Concerns, Next Steps - None
- XV. **Next Meeting November 12, 2009 at 7:30 pm**