



**Environmental Commission Minutes
April 12, 2018**

Call to Order: Rayna Laiosa, Rosanne Zagatta, Mary Mahon, Carol Robertson, Hazel Pinos, Mary Lou DiMattia, Robert Meier, and Mike Mariani

Guests: Holly Cowen, Maureen Cook, Liana Romano, and Alex Vetlov

- I. Attendance and Acceptance of Meetings:
 - a. Environmental Commission Minutes March 15, 2018
Motion by: Mike Mariani Second by: Mary Mahon

- II. Hawthorne Water Reports – February 2018 reports was reviewed and discussed. All water results are fine, below NJDEP water quality standards

- III. Borough of Hawthorne – Tier A (Urbanized or along or near the Coast) Municipal Stormwater General Permit – Issuance Date of November 9, 2017; Effective Date: January 1, 2018; - Rayna discussed at meeting; Rayna communicated to Mayor Goldberg and Eric Maurer Hawthorne’s new requirements for compliance; Eric and Mayor will work with Boswell Engineering and DPW to address the new stormwater requirements
 - a. New Public Involvement and Participation requirements
 - b. Post Construction Stormwater - Local review of stormwater management designs for Major Development - ensure that developers are complying with the Stormwater Rules
 - c. Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping-
 1. Updated/revised ordinances
 2. Develop Municipal Maintenance Yards and Ancillary operations Best Management Practices
 3. Borough Website - Hawthorne's Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan, Master Plan Stormwater Municipal Land Use Stormwater Management Plan, and Ordinances
 - d. Training Requirements –
 1. (Planning/Zoning Members) and Council Member - Stormwater Training - "Asking the Right Questions" On-Line Training course
 2. Municipal Engineers required Training - Stormwater Management Design
 3. Employee Training
 - e. Mapping, Illicit Discharges, and Scouring
 1. Outfall Pipe Mapping -Include map in Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan and submit map to NJDEP
 2. Localized Stream Scouring - Develop, Update, and Implement a Program
 - f. Incorporate Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) information into Hawthorne's Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan

- IV. Planning Board Report – Mary Lou DiMattia
 - a. PPF SS 60 Goffle Road LLC – Proposed Safeguard Self Storage Facility – 66 Goffle Road - Planning Board Work Session Tuesday February 6, 2018 – Next hearing meeting will be Tuesday February 20, 2018 at 7:30 pm; Same night as the Green Lecture – Library; Showed the plans to the Commission; Rayna will review the stormwater plan and will respond accordingly. Commission submitted written report dated February 19, 2018; Next Meeting Tuesday March 20, 2018; Developer submitted revised site plans for the project; Incorporated stormwater management system; Rayna attended the March 20, 2018 meeting; Provided testimony based on Commission’s written report; Planning Board Approved the proposed project at the March 20, 2018 meeting

- V. Zoning Board of Adjustment – No new updates on projects

- VI. Hawthorne Environmental Commission/Green Team Internship – Hawthorne High School Students - Michael Ptak and Josh Kobuskie – Rayna and Rosanne have not heard from the interns on the progress of the brochure
 - a. Brochure/Flyer – Who we are, What we do, and Volunteer Request Environmental Commission and Green Team members

- VII. Green Team Subcommittee Meeting
 - a. Community Garden 2018
 - 1. Mulch delivery Issue DPW work order for delivery week of May 7, 2018
 - 2. Community Garden Clean Up Day – Saturday May 19, 2018 at 10:00 am; Rain Date Sunday May 20, 2018 at 10:00 am
 - 3. Cub Scout Pack 30 – Community Garden Workshop at Garden on Tuesday May 8, 2018 at 6:30 pm – Carol, Pat, Liana, and I will participate.
 - b. Green Lectures 2018 – Hawthorne Library
 - 1. Goffle Brook Farms – “What’s New on Native Plants” – Tuesday June 26, 2018 at 7:30 pm Mary confirmed with Goffle Brook Farms – Donna – Confirmed
 - 2. Nutrition – Robin – Tuesday February 20, 2018 Completed
 - 3. BEAR Program – Hawthorne wildlife – Deer & bear - March 6, 2018 Completed
 - 4. Wild Dog Foundation – Coyote Educational Program – Rayna will communicate to Frank on having a Green Lecture on topic.
 - c. Hop the Shop – Hawthorne Chamber of Commerce and Hawthorne Green Team – Saturday March 24 to Saturday March 31, 2018 Turn in your completed passport at The Chocolate Box or Mr. Cupcakes for a chance to win prizes donated by participating merchants. The prize drawing will be held at Mr. Cupcakes on Saturday, March 31st at 5:00 p.m
 - d. Bird Walk – Saturday May 12, 2018 -Rae Avenue Mansion – Goffle Brook Park at 8:30 am; Agree -Rain Date Saturday May 19, 2018; It will be the same as the Community Garden Cleanup; Liana is preparing press release;
 - e. **Next Green Team Monday April 23, 2018 Hawthorne Library - Cancelled**

- VIII. 26th Annual Cel-Earth-Bration – Saturday April 21, 2018 10:00 am to 2:00 pm
 - a. Theme – **“Discover Hawthorne’s Natural Beauty”**
 - b. Focus on Environmental Interactive Educational – “Scavenger Hunt – Discovery Hawthorne’s Natural Beauty”

1. Garden Tips and Native Plants – Carol Robertson and Pat MacDonnell – Completed – Hawthorne Environmental Commission/Green Team table – Two (2) stamps
 2. Birds of Hawthorne – Goffle Brook Park and 8 Acre Woods – Liana Romano, Holly Cowen, and Lisa DeVos (have coloring pages of birds from last year’s Cel Earth Bration) - Completed
 3. Hawthorne Green Map – Mike Mariani – Completed; Hazel’s boys have created photos of the identified sites on the Hawthorne Green Map; Will participate with Mike at the table; Mike will print 8.5 x 11 of the Green Map for distributing to the participants
 4. Stormwater Pollution Prevention – Alex Vetlov working on demonstration project
 5. Hawthorne Recycling Program – Maureen Cook - Completed
 6. Hawthorne Historical Society – Carol – Confirmed
 7. Hawthorne Shade Tree Commission – Confirmed
 8. Chet Scents – Confirmed
 9. BEAR – Confirmed
 10. Craft Workshop
 11. Reimagined Designs by Stephanie Tonnesen Hornback – One of a kind, earth friendly housewares and accessories
 12. PCSPCA – Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Month
 13. Daisy Troop – Girl Scout Kindergartners – Rayna discussed with Lauren Lazzaro; There is not enough time to have a booth at Cel Earth Bration, but will attend the event.
 14. Design the Hawthorne’s Scavenger’s Hunt Card - Each student will visit each booth/vendor at the Cel Earth Bration; Answer a question and their “card” will be stamped; Once the card is all stamped, then the “card” will be entered in a raffle. Grades K- 2; 3-5; 6 to 8; There will be one (1) winner from each grade group. As a result, there are 14 tables that will be part of the Scavenger Hunt; Rosanne will design the card.
- c. Submitted School Application – BOE – Room 120, cafeteria, auditorium, and classrooms; Ensure Sound System is working in Auditorium; Coordinate with HHS Principal – Rosanne Zagatta – Completed and Submitted
- d. School Liaison to the Environmental Commission – Cel Earth Bration – Kasey Daniel – Confirmed by Rosanne Zagatta
- e. Request Teachers Representing the 5 schools – Distribute letters – Completed March 7, 2018
- f. Green Project Contest
1. Registration form updated and submitted to School District for approval and distribution – Completed March 7, 2018
 2. Prizes – Local and surrounding businesses; need donation letter - Completed
 3. Create 2018 Business List – See Excel spreadsheet; Liana, Carol, Maureen, Pat, Alex, Hazel, Mary, and Rosanne will be designated at the local Hawthorne Businesses to request donations; Lead by Pat MacDonnell who will collect all the donated prizes. - Completed
 4. Judges – Rosanne, Liana
 5. 1st Place Winners Displayed at the Hawthorne Library - Completed
- g. Entertainment/Vendors
1. Rizzo Reptile - Confirmed - Times – 11:00 am to 11:45 am & 12:15 pm to 1:00 pm; Rayna sent Invoice to Maureen Cook for processing

- 2.Facepainting/Tattoos/Sponges – Confirmed Hawthorne High School Cheerleaders; need sponges, buckets, and plastic table clothes - Rayna
 - 3.Craft Workshop – Mary Mahon and Mary Lou DiMattia
 - 4.Hawthorne Shade Tree Commission - Confirmed
 - 5.Gourmet Express – Confirmed
 - 6.Chet Scents – Confirmed
 - 7.Lincoln Middle School “Science Club” – Games – Two (2) new teachers are interested in participating at Cel-Earth-Bratton; Raffles – Bird House; Selling plants as a fundraiser – Confirmed by Rosanne Zagatta
 - 8.Hawthorne High School Ecology Club – Dirt Cake Scott Chrimel – Confirmed
 - 9.BEAR – confirmed participation; request a question from them for Scavenger Hunt
 10. Make Vendor Table Signs – Rayna
 11. Schedule of Event Posters – Rayna
- h. Publicity – Rayna will send to Team – Press Release, Registration form, and flier; It will be distributed throughout town, library, and municipal building
- 1.Cel-Earth-Bratton Flier distributed throughout town
 - 2.Press Release – Hawthorne Press, Gazette
 - 3.Ad – Hawthorne Press
 - 4.Borough Website, Channel 77
 5. Facebook
 - 6.Nixel Alert – Week of April 19, 2018 – Maureen will take care of this
 - 7.Signs Distributed throughout the Borough of Hawthorne – Mike Mariani
 8. Municipal Building Electric Board – Cel-Earth-Bratton Announcement
- i. Photographer – Interns – Mike and Josh
- j. Thank You Sign – At Cel Earth Bratton and Post on the Channel 77 Hawthorne Channel
- k. T-Shirt Design –Received; Looks Great!
- l. Bags – Gray cloth – large size bags - 300 bags – Received; Looks Great!
- m. Cel-Earth-Bratton Giveaways – Rosanne Zagatta – Budget \$274
- n. Pizza – Puzos donated five (5) pizza pies and we will purchase six (6) pizza pies; - Thank You John!
- o. Green Tablecloths, extension cords, karaoke machine, Thank You notes - Rayna
- IX. Sustainable Jersey Small Grants Program for Municipalities - \$200,000 funding available – deadline February 28, 2018 at 11:59 pm; \$20,000 grant for the “Gateway to the Passaic River project” Submitted February 26, 2018 – Will be notified in May 2018
- X. 2018 ANJEC Open Space Stewardship Grants for Environmental Commissions Supported by the Sandy Batty Grant Fund Deadline Friday April 13, 2018 at 4:30 pm; Submitted Sunday April 8, 2018
- a. “Gateway to the Passaic River” grant application – purchase of nesting boxes, trail sign, tree tags, and trail map created - \$1,500 –
 - b. Successful grantees will be notified by May 11, 2018
- XI. Update on Issues and Commissioners Concerns, Next Steps
- a. Bird Field Trip – “Gateway to the Passaic River” woody area – Saturday May 12, 2018 after the Bird Walk – Carol, Lisa, Holly, Rayna, and Mary will attend.

**Environmental Commission Meeting
May 10, 2018 at 7:30 pm
Municipal Building**