



Environmental Commission Minutes January 19, 2012

Call to Order: Rayna Laiosa, Pat Hutzelman, Rosanne Zagatta, and Lisa Szegedi
Guests: Ellen Brogno

- I. Attendance and Acceptance of Minutes –December’s 2011
Motion by: Lisa Szegedi, Second by: Pat Hutzelman
- II. Environmental Commission & Green Team Meeting Dates 2012 – Discussed and agreed to dates for both meetings.
- III. Green Team Subcommittee Meeting
 - a. Anti-Idling Campaign –
 - b. Green Challenge– “Conserve Water...Preserve Life” Pledge
 - c. Energy Audit – Hawthorne Library
 - d. Green Map
 - e. 2012 Projects
 - i. Promote Energy Efficiency and Rebates from the New Jersey Clean Energy Program – Partner with Ridgewood Environmental Committee
 - ii. Safe Walking Day Events
 - iii. Grounds & Maintenance – Green Grounds & Maintenance Policy and Integrated Pest Management
 - iv. Raingarden
 - f. **Next Green Team Meeting Monday January 23, 2012 at 7:30 pm at Hawthorne Library**
- IV. 2012 Siemens Sustainable Award - Deadline January 13, 2012 – Environmental Commission did not apply for the award.
- V. Cel-Earth-Bration 2012 20th Annual Event
 - a. Theme = Cel-Earth-Bration 20th Annual Event – Focus on the “Building a Green Future”
 - b. T-Shirt Contest – Send out Contest instructions – Rosanne will get approval and send to all students. Deadline is Friday February 10, 2012
 - c. Potential Vendors/Activities
 - i. Rain Barrel Demonstration – Amy Roe –
 1. Rayna will contact Amy regarding the pricing and delivery
 2. Rayna will contact Mary Jean about finances.
 3. Request from Amy the list of people that were interested at the Green Fair (September).
 4. Propose Dates Saturday May 5 or 12, 2012 at the Hawthorne Library 10:00 am to 12:00 pm; Offer free refreshments
 - ii. Well-Read Bookstore – Author reading to children – Rayna contacted Bill. Bill is interested in participating at Cel-Earth-Bration
 - iii. Short wave radio – Fred Buchner – Rosanne is going to follow up with her husband.
 - iv. Chevrolet Volt – Bob Maggio will contact Hawthorne Chevrolet. We must have a sales representative from Chevrolet to promote the Volt.
 - v. Shadetree Commission – Will be participating at the event

- vi. Mural – Team evaluated and decided no mural.
 - vii. Scrapbook – last 20 years articles – Hawthorne Press/Gazette – Erick Pinos is working on collecting all the articles.
 - viii. Craft workshop – Rosanne will review Oriental Trader catalog for crafts
 - ix. Healthy Foods – Granola, Banana Bread, Hummus/pitas – whole wheat/whole grain – Need to contact Sharon directly for pricing. Rayna will reach out to Sharon
 - d. Special Invitations
 - e. Giveaways, etc – Suggestions – Rosanne and Ellen will review and decide
 - i. Earth cookies
 - ii. Dog tags
 - iii. Key chains
 - iv. Magnets
 - v. Stress balls
 - vi. Pedometers – Ordered in December 2011
 - vii. Sweat bands
 - viii. Bike Reflectors – Ordered in December 2011
 - ix. Tattoos and Clippers – Rosanne will order for the event
 - f. Check School calendar Date for HHS School Play – No conflicts

- VI. Report from Planning Board
 - a. December 20, 2011 - Hawthorne Market Place 204 Wagaraw Road (former Merck site) – Commission provided comments to the Planning Board. Reviewed draft resolution to ensure that our environmental comments were incorporated into the resolution.
 - i. Freshwater Wetlands Application Checklist – Dated November 7, 2011 (General Permit Authorization & Individual Transition Area Waiver) – No comments.

- VII. Report from Zoning Board
 - a. Patriot Development Monday January 16, 2012 Hearing – Revised Plans January 2012; Updated Environmental Impact Statement and Geotechnical Report dated December 2011 – Moved to March 2012 meeting

- VIII. Environmental Commission Events/Conferences/Meetings
 - a. Passaic County Energy & Sustainability Master Plan Task Force –Next meeting January 17, 2012 – Meeting was cancelled.
 - b. Passaic County Brownsfields Commission Meeting Wednesday January 18, 2012 at 3:00 pm – Rayna did not attend the meeting. Reported to Deb Hoffman (Director of Economic Development) with updates

- IX. Updates on Issues and Commissioners Concerns, Next Steps
 - a. Memorial Day – Green Team float

- X. **Next Meeting February 9, 2012 at 7:30 pm**