

## **Environmental Commission Minutes July 9, 2009**

Call to Order: Rayna Laiosa, Robert Maggio, Patricia Hutzelman, Joseph Wojtecki, Lisa Szegedi, Carmen Ruta

Guest: Mary Mahon and Christina Auger

- I. Attendance and Acceptance of Minutes –June 2009  
Motion by Robert Maggio, Second by Patricia Hutzelman
- II. Water Report Update- Reviewed and discussed. All water results are fine, below NJDEP water quality standards.
- III. Update on Green Idea Subcommittee Meeting June 15, 2009
  - a. Summer Intern – William Paterson University Christina Auger Status report – Progress has been made on the collection of building (electricity and gas usage) and fleet inventory data from the various departments from the Borough, prepare the energy audit grant application, prepare the Carbon footprint calculation, and conduct gap analysis of the Natural Resource Inventory report.
  - b. Hawthorne Submitted \$25,000 Wal-Mart – Green Challenge Pledge Program – Did not receive the grant
  - c. NJDEP Office of Planning Grant Pre-Screening Deadline July 31, 2009 – Discuss project scope – Team discussed the concept of developing and implementing a Green Fleet Policy and the purchase of hybrid vehicles for non-emergency usages; Potential departments would be the Fire, Building and Property and the Water to receive a hybrid vehicle.; Joe Clementi, Director of Public Works, is in agreement with the Commission to purchase hybrid vehicles, instead of utilizing vegetable oil as fuel for our vehicles.
  - d. Next Green Idea Meeting Monday July 20, 2009 at 7:30 pm **Hawthorne Library**
- IV. Annual June Program – June 8, 2009 - Discussed the video, sound, and air conditioning issues at the event. As a next step for next year, ensure that the video and sound is working properly and people are informed of the meeting.
- V. Hawthorne Day Preparation September 26, 2009 – Energy Lightening Fair provided by TechinArt; Environmental Commission having a booth to display energy efficient tips for residents.
- VI. Report from Planning Board – Arcadis soil movement permit application will be presented at the July 21, 2009 meeting. The Commission has reviewed the application and has no comments.
- VII. Updates on Issues and Commissioners Concerns, Next Steps
  - a. New Jersey Site Remediation and Reform Seminar June 29, 2009 – update- Christina Auger attended the seminar. It was very informative.
  - b. Realty Acquisition Group – Waiting for the remediation reports from the Borough Attorney to review.
  - c. Pan Chemical – No progress has been to site.
  - d. 55 Schoon Avenue – Scheduled court date July 20, 2009 to gain site access
- VIII. **Next Meeting August 13, 2009 at 7:30 pm**