



Hawthorne Green Team Committee Minutes: November 28, 2011

Attendees: Rayna Laiosa, Rosanne Zagatta, Sue Balik, Robert Meier, Mike Mariani, Cindy Frank, Phil Speudal, Paula Cornett, Erick Pinos, and Hazel Pinos,

Green Team Purpose

- Making community life sustainable in a way that minimizes environmental harm and depletion of natural resources
- Framework is based on the Sustainable Jersey Certification

Topics Discussed on 11-28-2011:

- a. Review October's minutes - Approved
- b. 2011 Projects
 - i. Anti-Idling Campaign – Tag Days November 19, 2011 & December 10, 2011
 1. November 2011 Event 11 am to 1 pm – Distributed 550 Anti-Idling Infraction Tickets
 2. Corner of Warburten Avenue & Lafayette Avenue and Diamond Bridge Avenue & Lafayette Avenue
 3. 50 tickets per person every hour
 4. 6 Green Team members participated
 5. Event was very successful. Good feedback from the cars
 6. December 10, 2011 Event 11 am to 1 pm
 - a. Need safety vests (Robert will contact AAA for assistance)
 - b. Need 1500 anti idling infraction tickets
 - c. Courtney's professor will give extra credit for students participating in the Anti Idling Tagging Day. Estimate that 10 students will participate
 7. Phase II – Focus at Hawthorne's Train Station
 - a. Develop a power point presentation for the schools
 - b. Develop a flyer for the Elementary & Middle School students
 - c. Develop a Kids to Kids Program – Sue will reach out to Scott Chrimel HHS Ecology Club Advisor
 - ii. Green Challenge – Water Conservation “Conserve Water...Preserve Life” Pledge Hawthorne Day October 1, 2011 – Courtney is typing up the names into an Excel Spreadsheet.
 - iii. Green Map Project – Erick demonstrated the draft Green Map to the Team. Erick needs assistance in locating some of the historical sites. A field trip with Erick, Mike and Phil to locate the historical sites.
 - iv. Buy Local Campaign – Robert will be meeting with the Economic Development Committee in December 2011.
 - v. Energy Audit – Hawthorne Library – Direct Install conducted an Energy Audit. Courtney and Rayna is preparing the Local Government Energy Audit Program application for the Library. Will finalize the RFP and schedule a meeting with the Director of the Library to review documents.

- vi. Hawthorne's Sustainability Website – Need to update the current Environmental Commission's website. Can make adjustments to the layout. For example 3 columns to 2 column format on each of the webpages. Erick will review other Commissions and Committees websites within the Borough of Hawthorne's website.
- c. 2012 Projects
 - i. Promote Energy Efficiency and Rebates from the New Jersey Clean Energy Program – Partner with Ridgewood Environmental Committee – Discussed potential events that the Green Team can jointly promote. The Friends of the Library holds an annual event in the winter called “Night of Chocolate.” Cindy will find out the date for the Chocolate event.
 - ii. Safe Walking Day Events – Need Spring 2012 dates.
 - iii. Grounds & Maintenance – Green Grounds & Maintenance Policy and Integrated Pest Management – Sue will review the Action Plans and report back to the Team.
 - iv. Raingarden – Robert will contact Bobby Polito about the potential project.
 - d. Summary Reports for 2011 Projects – To Be Written
 - i. Cel-Earth-Bratton 2011
 - ii. Shredding Day – April and September 2011
 - iii. Green Fair – Courtney Furber
 - iv. Annual June Environmental Program
 - v. Farmer's Market – Robert provided a summary of 2011 Farmer's Market. Will review the “Making Farmers Markets Accessible” Action Plan to determine if Hawthorne is eligible for the points.
 - vi. Recycling Depot – 2010 recycling tonnage
 - vii. Carpet & Foam Padding – 2010 recycling tonnage
 - viii. Bulky Rigid Plastics – 2010 recycling tonnage
 - ix. Backyard Composting Program – Cel-Earth-Bratton and Green Fair demonstrations – Pat Hutzelman
 - x. Mayor's Wellness Campaign – 2011 – Pat Hutzelman
 - e. Open Discussions:
 - i. Passaic County Sustainability Task Force – Passaic County Master Plan – Sustainability Element Kick-off Meeting November 22, 2011

VISION STATEMENT

Hawthorne is committed to protecting our natural resources while meeting the needs of the present generation without compromising those of future generations.

Sustainability means:

- Protecting our open spaces, and conserving our natural resources with waste reduction and recycling
- Promoting environmental education, and energy efficiency to residents and businesses alike
- Considering environmental, economic, and social impacts to future development
- Improving community health and quality of life for every citizen

**Next Meeting: December 15, 2011 7:30 pm
at the Municipal Building**