



Hawthorne Green Team Committee Minutes: April 29, 2013

Attendees: Rayna Laiosa, Karen Young, Christine Hernandez, Hazel Pinos, Rober Meier, Paula Tutein, Candice Soder, Sue Balik, Cindy Frank, Helga Ismey, and Jack Sytsma

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 04-29-2013:

- a. Review March's minutes - Approved
- b. Sustainable Jersey Silver Certification Application – Reviewed and Discussed Summaries
 - i. Green Team – Discussed summary – Karen Young
 - ii. Community Education and Outreach – Discussed summary – Cindy Frank
 - iii. Education for Sustainability Program – Discussed summary – Cindy Frank
 - iv. Green Fair – Discussed summary – Cindy Frank; Need Assessment form to be completed Green Fair.
 - v. Lead Education and Outreach Program – Rosanne Zagatta will discuss with school nurses
 - vi. Building Healthier Communities – Need to prepare summary – Pat Hutzelman
 - vii. Anti-Idling Education and Enforcement Program – May 14, 2013 – Council Meeting – Anti-Idling Resolution; Sue will prepare the summary.
 - viii. Buy Local Campaign and Support Local Businesses – Will prepare summary – Rayna Laiosa
 - ix. Support Local Food and Farmer's Market – Will prepare summary – Robert Meier
 - x. Land Use Sustainability Pledge – May 14, 2013 Council Meeting Resolution
 - xi. Environmental Commission – Discussed summary
 - xii. Natural Resource Inventory – Planning Board adopted ERI as an appendix to the Master Plan; March 2013 Meeting
 - xiii. Tree & Woodland Management – Will prepare summary - Shadetree Commission Chair – Paul Giardino
 - xiv. Water Conservation Education Program – Will prepare summary – Cindy Frank
 - xv. Community Asset Mapping – Will prepare summary – Hazel Pinos/Erick Pinos
 - xvi. Waste Management – Discussed summaries Candice Soder
 1. Recycling Depot
 2. Carpet & Foam Padding
 3. Bulky Rigid Plastics
 4. Community Shredding Day
 - xvii. Other – Environmental Commission Internship Program – Will prepare summary – Erick Pinos

- c. 2013 Projects
 - i. Green Team Logo – Request price proposals for Banner – Mike Mariani will get proposals
 - ii. Sustainable Jersey Silver Certification Application
 - 1. Green Lecture Series – Hawthorne Library; Sponsored by Hawthorne’s Green Team
 - a. Wednesday April 24, 2013 at 7:30 to 9:00 pm “NJ Clean Energy Program” presented by Ed Schwartz Green Living Solutions
 - b. Wednesday May 22, 2013 at 7:30 to 9:00 pm “Rain Barrel/Rain Garden” presented by Amy Roe
 - c. Wednesday June 26, 2013 at 7:30 to 9:00 pm “Organic Landscaping” presented by Amy Roe
 - 2. Caring for Conservation Easements – Easement Inventory, Inspections, and Evaluations – Tax Clerk has a binder of all easements in the Borough. Cindy Frank will visit Borough Hall.
 - iii. Community Garden – Rayna is working with Eric on setting up a meeting with DPW and Health Department Trainer to discuss the Garden. Cindy Frank and Karen Young will be part of the Green Team members working with the Town. Scheduled meeting Friday May 24, 2013 at 3:30 pm to discuss Garden Ambulance Building.
 - iv. Raingarden – Rayna is working with Amy Roe (Rutgers) on the design for the Library. Rayna will attend the May 8, 2013 Library Board meeting to discuss the Rain Garden.
- d. Open Discussions:
 - i. Memorial Day Parade – Team discussed a float; Hazel will further investigate to locate a landscaper to donate their flat bed to the Commission/Green Team. Back-up plan – walk/bike the Parade
 - ii. Tree Protection Ordinance – Shadetree Commission prepare summary
 - iii. Green Business Recognition Program – Rayna will prepare summary

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: May 20, 2013 at 7:30 pm