



## **Hawthorne Green Team Committee Minutes: May 20, 2013**

Attendees: Rayna Laiosa, Pat Hutzelman, Karen Young, Chris Cooper, Hazel Pinos, Rober Meier, Paula Tutein, Candice Soder, Mike Mariani, Helga Ismey, and Lurdes Quinones, and Julia Smylie

### **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 05-20-2013:**

- a. Review April's minutes - Approved
- b. Sustainable Jersey Silver Certification Application – To Be Prepared - Deadline June 1, 2013
  - i. Green Fair – Prepare Assessment Form – Cindy Frank
  - ii. Energy Education and Outreach - Prepare summary - Rayna Laiosa
  - iii. Lead Education and Outreach Program – Investigate Hawthorne's Program - Rosanne Zagatta
  - iv. Building Healthier Communities – Prepare summary – Pat Hutzelman
  - v. Anti-Idling Education and Enforcement Program – May 14, 2013 – Council Meeting – Anti-Idling Resolution - Approved; Prepare summary - Sue Balik
  - vi. Buy Local Campaign and Support Local Businesses – Prepare summary – Rayna Laiosa
  - vii. Green Business Recognition Program – Prepare summary – Rayna Laiosa
  - viii. Buy Fresh Buy Local Programs – Robert Meier – Will Review program requirements and request cost proposal from Department of Agriculture for marketing materials
  - ix. Marking Farmers Markets Accessible – Prepare summary - Sue Balik
  - x. Tree & Woodland Management – Prepare summaries - Shadetree Commission Chair – Paul Giardino
  - xi. Tree Protection Ordinance – Prepare summary – Shadetree Commission Chair – Paul Giardino
  - xii. Water Conservation Education Program – Prepare summary – Cindy Frank
  - xiii. Community Asset Mapping – Prepare summary – Hazel Pinos and Erick Pinos
  - xiv. Other – Environmental Commission Internship Program – Prepare summary – Erick Pinos
  - xv. Backyard Composting Program – Prepare summary – Paula Tutein
- c. Sustainable Jersey Silver Certification Application – In Review for Final Approval
  - i. Green Team
  - ii. Community Education and Outreach
  - iii. Education for Sustainability Programs
  - iv. Green Fair
  - v. Farmer's Market

- vi. Sustainability Land Use Pledge – May 14, 2013 Council Meeting Resolution - Approved
- vii. Environmental Commission
- viii. Natural Resource Inventory
- ix. Waste Management
  - 1. Recycling Depot
  - 2. Carpet & Foam Padding
  - 3. Bulky Rigid Plastics
  - 4. Community Shredding Day
- d. 2013 Projects
  - i. Green Team Logo – Banner – Will be used at the Memorial Day Parade
  - ii. Sustainable Jersey Silver Certification Application
    - 1. Green Lecture Series – Hawthorne Library; Sponsored by Hawthorne’s Green Team
      - a. Wednesday May 22, 2013 at 7:30 to 9:00 pm “Rain Barrel/Rain Garden” presented by Amy Roe
      - b. Wednesday June 26, 2013 at 7:30 to 9:00 pm “Organic Landscaping” presented by Amy Roe
    - 2. Caring for Conservation Easements – Cindy Frank - Easement Inventory, Inspections, and Evaluations – Tax Clerk has a binder of all easements in the Borough.
  - iii. Community Garden – Meeting Friday May 24, 2013 at 3:30 pm Ambulance Building
  - iv. Raingarden – Working with the Library Board, Rutgers, and Green Team to implement the rain garden project at the Library.
- e. Open Discussions:
  - i. Memorial Day Parade – Float – Need volunteers for the event; Meeting place will be published in the Hawthorne Press; Parade starts at 1:30 pm Monday May 27, 2013

#### **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: June 24, 2013 at 7:30 pm**