



Environmental Commission Minutes

August 16, 2012

Call to Order: Rayna Laiosa, Rosanne Zagatta, Robert Maggio, Lisa Szegedi, and Pat Hutzelman
Guests: Erick Pinos, Mary Mahon, and Sue Balik

- I. Attendance and Acceptance of Minutes – June and July’s 2012
Motion by: Robert Maggio, Second by: Rosanne Zagatta
- II. Water Quality Reports – Will be reviewed at September’s meeting
- III. Green Team Subcommittee Meeting
 - a. Green Map – Green Fair “Green Map Presentation” to the Mayor and Director of the Library
 - b. Scavenger Hunt “Where’s Waldo” – Buy Local Campaign/Green Map Marketing Campaign – month of July 2012 – Successful event
 - c. Green Fair – September 2012 – see below for discussion points
 - d. Discussion on 2012 -2013Action Plan
 - e. **Next Green Team Meeting Monday August 27, 2012 at 7:30 pm at Hawthorne Library**
- IV. Hawthorne Green Team – Green Fair September 16, 2012, rain date September 23, 2012
 - a. Hold Harmless Agreement – Complete – need to distribute to vendors
 - b. Vendor Participation
 - i. Band – Men of Horses – Confirmed- 3 hours total; 10:30 to 1:30 pm; Arrive at 10:00 am
 - ii. Passaic County Open Space participation – Kathleen Confirmed
 - iii. Rutgers Co-operative – Amy Roe - Confirmed
 - iv. Hawthorne Green Team/Environmental Commission table – Green Map (Erick and Rayna will bring their comuters for demonstration of the Green Map), pedometers, and bike reflectors giveaways
 - v. Chamber of Commerce – Buy Local Program
 - vi. Composting demonstration – Mary Mahon (can stay till 1 pm) - Confirmed
 - vii. Native Plants – Elaine (Bloomingdale Planning Board member) – Confirmed
 - viii. Seimei Foundation – Confirmed
 - ix. Rocky’s Pet Pantry – Donation request from participants – Include in the press release
 - x. Hawthorne Historical Society – Confirmed
 - xi. Hawthorne Recycling Program – Ellen Brogno and Doug Morgan – Need to confirm
 - xii. Well Read Bookstore – Author- Storytime - Confirmed
 - xiii. Learning Tree – Children’s activity – Confirmed
 - xiv. Green Living Solutions – Confirmed
 - xv. Knead-U-Need - Confirmed
 - xvi. Olivia – 1) make plastic flowers, 2) will contact Boys Girls Club for Keystone Club to conduct an activity with kids and 3) Scott Chrimel about potential Ecology Club fundraiser at Green Fair – Need to follow-up with Olivia

- xvii. Goffle Brook Farm – Pat Hutzelman will contact them to ask them for a presentation on indoor herb planting or window boxes. Confirmed. Dish gardens demonstration.
 - c. Schedule of events – Band, storytime, Green Map Ceremony
 - i. 9:30 am Goffle Farms – Donna Dish Garden demonstration
 - ii. 10:00 am Band arrives
 - iii. 10:30 to 11:15 am Band
 - iv. 11:15 to 11:30 am Storytime
 - v. 11:30 to 12:15 pm Band
 - vi. 12:15 pm Green Map Presentation
 - vii. 12:30 to 1:15 pm Band
 - viii. 1:15 to 1:30 pm Storytime
 - d. Press Releases/advertisements/flyers
 - i. Press Release – Rosanne will prepare for the local newspapers; Rayna will send last year’s press release
 - ii. Advertisement/flyer – Erick and Lisa will prepare for the local newspapers; Rayna will send last year’s advertisement
 - e. Special Invitations – Mark Draft invitation has been created
 - f. Number of Tables/chairs needed – Tables (Board of Recreation- Charlene Elvin) and Chairs (Bob Maggio request from the Boys & Girls Club- John Bertollo)
- V. Cel-Earth-Bration 2012 20th Annual Event – 10 to 2:30 pm
 - a. Press Release Thank you to all participants for Cel-Earth-Bration – Review and approve letter to editor – Commission reviewed and approved letter to editor
 - b. Bring original receipts for reimbursement for cel-earth-bration purchases in order to complete Purchase Orders – Need check from Pat Hutzelman Rain Barrel event – Received and will submit for payment
- VI. Annual June Environmental Program – Tuesday June 12, 2012 HHS Auditorium
 - a. Press Release – Hawthorne Press and Gazette – Announce names for Hawthorne Citizens and local businesses to recognize of their environmental leadership – Complete and distributed to local newspapers
- VII. 2012 ANJEC Environmental Achievement Award – Hawthorne’s Green Map project Deadline September 7, 2012 – Commission agree to pursue Environmental Achievement Award for our Green Map project. Sue Balik will work with Rayna in the preparation of our application
- VIII. Report from Planning Board - No updates were provided to Commission.
- IX. Report from Zoning Board - No updates were provided to Commission.
- X. Hawthorne Day Saturday October 6, 2012 – Commission/Green Team will participate
- XI. Updates on Issues and Commissioners Concerns, Next Steps
 - a. 2012 Governor’s Environmental Excellence Awards Deadline September 12, 2012; Sue and Rayna will further evaluate the application.

**Next Meeting September 13, 2012 at 7:30 pm Hawthorne Municipal Building
2nd Floor**