



Environmental Commission Minutes April 24, 2014

Call to Order: Rayna Laiosa, Rosanne Zagatta, Robert Maggio, Pat Hutzelman, and Hazel Pinos
Guests: Mary Mahon, Ellen Brogno, Pat MacDonnell, and Cindy Frank

- I. Attendance and Acceptance of Environmental Commission Minutes –March 2014
Motion by: Pat Hutzelman, Second by: Bob Maggio

- II. Green Team Subcommittee Meeting
 - a. Community Garden
 - i. Awarded \$2,500 City Green Dig In Grant
 - ii. Scheduled a meeting with Borough –Tuesday March 25, 2014 at 4:30 pm
 - iii. Kickoff Community Garden Initiative Meeting April 10, 2014
 - iv. Excess Food produced – Donate to local pantry's; Cindy Frank contacted City Green for names of establishments that would receive produce from a community garden. Local pantries are located in Fair Lawn and Paterson.
 - v. Potentially Hawthorne Garden Club may be willing to weeding, watering, and plant decorative flowers in the community garden. Pat Hutzelman is working with the Garden Club.
 - b. Buy Local Campaign Programs –Chamber of Commerce “Hop the Shop” in the month of April.
 - c. **Next Green Team Meeting Thursday May 1, 2014 at 7:30 pm at Hawthorne Library**

- III. Cel-Earth-Bration XXII Saturday April 26, 2014 – Lincoln Middle School
 - a. Theme = Cel-Earth-Bration 22nd Annual Event – “A Greener Path to a Healthy You!” – Focus on wellness, community garden – food,
 - b. Teachers Representing the 5 schools – Rosanne
 - c. Publicity – Press Releases, Posters for Advertisement, Facebook, Patch, Borough Website, Channel 77, Nexle Alert
 - d. Green Project Certificates and Trashion Certificate
 - e. Prizes – Recycling Contest and Games
 - f. Project Competition – Sign In Sheet of Participants
 - g. Tattoos, sponges
 - h. Face Painting – Provided by Maria’s Party Planner
 - i. Games – Lincoln Middle School Ecology Club
 - j. Recycling Craft Workshop - Replaced with Making Flower Bombs by Mary Mahon; Request plastic tablecloths, crayons, and markers
 - k. Raffles – Lincoln Middle School Ecology Club and Hawthorne Recycling Coordinator
 - l. Judges -???
 - m. Photography
 - n. Pizza – Ellen Brogno – Volunteers eat in the Teacher’s Lounge
 - o. Refreshments – HHS Ecology Club making and selling granola; no Toxic Punch and Dirt Cake
 - p. Potential Vendors/Activities –

- i. Rizzo Reptiles – Booked
- ii. Well Read Bookstore – Booked
- iii. Flo’s Market - Booked;
- iv. Hawthorne Police – Bike Safety – Booked
- v. Pomptonian Food Service – School Healthy Food in Hawthorne School System – Booked
- vi. Fruit Connection LLC – Booked
- vii. Dr. Toni Anne Raymond, DMD Proper Dental Care and How a Good Nutrition helps the teeth- Booked
- viii. Hawthorne Environmental Commission/Green Team
- ix. Cross Fit SOAR – Booked
- x. Sew Chic Sew Cool Sewing School – Booked
- xi. Solar Company, Raymond, - Booked
- q. Hawthorne Recycling Program – Ellen Brogno
 - i. Bags with Hawthorne Logo
 - ii. Giveaways – crayons/coloring books, recycled tire bookmark, spoon, and band bracelets
 - iii. Green Sky Industries – Table requested
 - iv. Green T-Shirts
- r. 1st HEC Trashion Show – 12:00 Noon – Residents of all ages can participate in the challenge which is to create wearable outfits using junk and other discarded items. Hazel is the lead. –
 - i. 13 registered contestants
 - ii. Discussed potential judges – Sharon Abood Whims & Wishes, new Glen Rock retailer owner, LMS teacher
 - iii. Brochure and Certificate created Hazel Pinos
 - iv. Prizes from White Shauger, Bottagra, Home Improvement, and local Mortgage Company
- s. Special Invitations – Rosanne sent e-mails to the BOE, Mayor, and Council
- t. Giveaways, etc – “Dirt Bombs – wild flowers seeds created by participants.
- u. Name Tags - Hazel
- v. Invoices – Rosanne Oriental Trader (\$214.23) and Curry Printers (\$155)
- w. Cel-Earth-Bration Signs - Mike Mariani (via Curry Printers)
- x. Schedule of Events
 - i. Rizzo Reptiles – 10:30 to 11:15 am and 11:45 to 12:30 pm;
 - ii. Trashion Show – 12:30 to 1:30 pm. participants arrive at 12:00 pm
 - iii. Award Ceremony – 1:30 pm
 - iv. Tree Seedling – 10 am to 2:00 pm

IV. Report from Planning Board

- a. Application of John Hryncewich – 53 Braen Avenue & 7 Sotnick Street – Subdivision Plan – Next Hearing was Tuesday April 15 at 7:30 pm - Postponed TBD

V. Report from Zoning Board of Adjustment

- a. Christian Health Care Center –March 24, 2014 at 7:00 pm; Next Meeting Monday April 28, 2014 at 7:00 pm; Encourage Commissioners to attend the meeting. Environmental Commission Chair will be presenting and requesting answers to our environmental report dated April 8, 2014

VI. Updates on Issues and Commissioners Concerns, Next Steps

- a. Arbor Day Friday April 25,, 2104 at 2:00 pm Jefferson School; Encourage Commissioners to attend the event.

**Next Meeting May 8, 2014 at 7:30 pm
Municipal Building**