

Environmental Commission Minutes July 15, 2010

Call to Order: Rayna Laiosa, Robert Maggio, Robert Kurdock, John Dorval, Derek Demeri, Sarah Kiefer, and Mary Mahon

- I. Attendance and Acceptance of Minutes –May and June 2010
Motion by: Robert Maggio, Second by: Robert Kurdock
- II. Water Report Update – February through June 2010 reviewed and discussed. All water results are fine, below NJDEP water quality standards.
- III. Annual June Program – Monday June 7, 2010
 - a. Derek will follow-up with Charlene regarding the video tape of the June Program
 - b. Bob Maggio – request a copy of the June Environmental Program Press Release
- IV. Hawthorne Day October 2, 2010
 - a. Community Partners Initiation – Promote Energy Efficient Programs
 - i. Contact Techinart – Energy Efficient Lighting Fair
 - ii. Contact Green Market Fundraiser – Lightbulb giveaways
 - b. Buy Local Campaign – Commission discussed - the development of a survey for the local business
 - c. Giveaways – dog tag necklaces, bracelets, etc.
- V. Eagle Scout Project – Matt Chatten – Project is moving forward
 - a. Kickoff 8 Acre Wood Clean-up Saturday June 26, 2010 – Successful event
 - b. Dates for project Saturday July 17, 2010 at 8:00 am – Request Environmental Commission assistance in the implementation of the project
- VI. ICMA – Local Government Sustainability Policies & Programs 2010 Survey – Deadline August 9, 2010 – Derek is preparing the draft survey and Rayna will review and finalize.
- VII. 2010 Environmental Commission Budget – Remaining budget of approximately \$1,100. Discussed money for Hawthorne Day – giveaways, etc., natural resource inventory expenses (NJDEP information, etc.)
- VIII. Application for a Solid Waste Facility Permit – Veolia, Paterson NJ – reviewed and discussed. No comments.
- IX. Report from Board of Adjustment
 - a. Patriot Development Update – Monday July 19, 2010 – Cancelled due to failure to provide escrow and technical information.
- X. Report from Planning Board
 - a. Contact Carmen Ruta – status of Master Plan update
- XI. Green Team Subcommittee Meeting
 - a. Energy Audit status – in-progress. Anticipate draft energy audit report by the end of August 2010
 - b. Wal-Mart Green Challenge \$25,000 grant submittal
 - c. June 24, 2010 Green Building Design and Energy Conservation Techniques-How You Can Save the Environment and Save Money – William Paterson University – Successful conference. Environmental Commission nominated Puzo’s Restaurant for the Passaic County Green Building Award.
 - d. NJDOT Municipal Grant deadline August 13, 2010 – Discussed the potential grant opportunity and all agreed not to pursue further.

- e. Walking Path Project – Phase 1 – assess the sidewalks on Hawthorne streets and Phase 2 identify the businesses/offices, retail stores, etc. Designate street assignment at the next Green Team meeting.
- f. Natural Resource Inventory – Derek summer intern – updating the Natural Resource Inventory. Commission authorized money (approximately \$100) to get updated information from the NJDEP Heritage Database.
- g. Next **Green Idea Meeting Monday July 26, 2010 at 7:30 pm at Hawthorne Library**

XII. Updates on Issues and Commissioners Concerns, Next Steps

- a. 5 Schoon Avenue Status Update – Passaic County Department of Economic Development Totowa Business Complex 930 Riverview Drive, Totowa NJ Meeting on July 21, 2010 at 3:00 pm
- b. Goffle Road Properties – Discussed the deteriorating environmental conditions at the site. The Environmental Commission will prepare a letter to the Mayor and Council to discuss the environmental and safety concerns.
- c. Christian Health Center Wyckoff Meeting on July 26, 2010

XIII. **Next Meeting August 20, 2010 at 7:30 pm**