

Environmental Commission Minutes August 19, 2010

Call to Order: Rayna Laiosa, Rosanne Zagatta, Derek Demeri, Mary Mahon, and Phil Savoie

- I. Attendance and Acceptance of Minutes –July 2010 – Moved to September’s meeting for approval

- II. Hawthorne Day October 2, 2010
 - a. Three Messages for Hawthorne Day
 - i. Community Partners Initiation – Promote Energy Efficient Programs – Working with Green Market Fundraising to confirm participation
 - ii. Anti-Idling Information – Phil Savoie will contact NJDEP for free information to distribute to residents; Suggestion to contact Bob Finstra Hawthorne Police responsible for Traffic- resource?
 - iii. Accomplishments of the Hawthorne Environmental Commission – Collage of press releases, articles, etc. – Create a Tri-fold Poster Rosanne Zagatta
 - b. Giveaways Ideas
 - i. Rosanne has leftovers from Cel-Earth-Bratton – Lollipops, flowers, pencils,
 - ii. Rosanne will research further giveaways; Budget of \$300
 - iii. Raffle the giveaways – Mary will create a bus with a wheel for the children to spin to win a prize
 - c. Buy Local Campaign – Moved to 2011 project
 - d. Press Release for the event

- III. Eagle Scout Project – Matt Chatten – Project is complete

- IV. ICMA – Local Government Sustainability Policies & Programs 2010 Survey – Deadline August 9, 2010 – The Environmental Commission did not participate in the Survey.

- V. Report from Board of Adjustment
 - a. Patriot Development Update – Monday August 17, 2010 – Discussed stormwater concerns due to the revised stormwater management plan
 - b. Phil Savoie – discussed the proposal of Hawthorne purchasing the Patriot property through Open Space grant moneies. Next Step: Derek will request tax assessment of the Patriot Development Property and Rayna will contact Mike Sebetich to investigate how the Passaic County Open Space Fund application process works.

- VI. Report from Planning Board
 - a. Master Plan Update – Rayna spoke with the Planning Board’s consultant at the Board of Adjustment meeting August 17, 2010 to discuss incorporating the Natural Resource Inventory and Sustainable elements to the Master Plan. Rayna will provide information to the consultant the week of September 13, 2010.

- VII. Green Team Subcommittee Meeting
 - a. Wal-Mart Green Challenge \$25,000 grant status update – Hawthorne did not receive the grant. Will continue to seek opportunities for grant money
 - b. Walking Path project – In-process
 - c. Next **Green Idea Meeting Monday August 23, 2010 at 7:30 pm at Hawthorne Library**

- VIII. Updates on Issues and Commissioners Concerns, Next Steps
 - a) 5 Schoon Avenue Status Update – Site Investigation report is being finalized by the Passaic County Brownsfields Commission.

IX. Next Meeting September 9, 2010 at 7:30 pm