



## Environmental Commission Minutes September 12, 2013

Call to Order: Rayna Laiosa, Robert Maggio, Pat Hutzelman, and Lisa Szegedi  
Guests: Ellen Brogno

- I. Attendance and Acceptance of Minutes – August 2013 – Moved to October’s meeting
- II. Green Team Subcommittee Meeting
  - a. Rain Garden project – Complete
  - b. Green Fair
  - c. **Next Green Team Meeting Monday September 23, at 7:30 pm at Hawthorne Library**
- III. Sustainable Jersey Re-Certification Discussion – Deadline September 15, 2013
  - a. Additional Information Requested – All updated documents are uploaded into the system – Filed September 15, 2013
    - i. Education for Sustainability
    - ii. Farmer’s Market and Accessibility
    - iii. Anti-Idling
    - iv. Support Local Businesses
    - v. Community Forestry Plan and Canopy Goal
    - vi. Computerized Assessment of Municipal Trees
    - vii. Rain Garden
  - b. Actions to be Completed
    - i. Lead Education and Outreach Program – Rosanne Zagatta
    - ii. Community/School Garden – Rayna Laiosa
    - iii. Caring for Easement Inventory – Cindy Frank
- IV. Green Fair at the Farmer’s Market September 15, 2013 Rain Date September 22, 2013
  - i. Time of Event 9 am to 2 pm
  - ii. Men of Horse Band – 10:30 am to 1:30 pm with (2) 15 minute breaks
  - iii. Vendors – Green Fair Layout Map
    1. Hawthorne Recycling
    2. Green Sky Industries
    3. Green Living Solutions - Focus on promoting NJ Clean Energy Programs, instead of the Green Team.
    4. Well Read Bookstore
    5. Composting Demonstration
    6. Hawthorne Garden Club
    7. Porous Material table
    8. Flo’s Market
    9. Habitat for Humanity – Reuse Store
    10. Rocky’s Pet Pantry
    11. Seimei Foundation
    12. Rain Garden Demonstration – “Hawthorne Library”

13. Green Team/Environmental Commission Booth – Interest in Community Garden – Sign-in Sheet (tabled the issue – see above section c iv) and Rain Barrel Workshop Sign up
  14. Pandora Healing
  15. Hawthorne Food Pantry
  16. The Learning Tree
  - iv. Tables and Chairs for event – Hawthorne Board of Recreation (Charlene - tables) and Boys & Girls Club (John – chairs) – Confirmed
  - v. Press Release/Green Flyer
  - vi. Hold Harmless Agreement
  - vii. Give-aways – Rosanne Zagatta
- V. Hawthorne Day – Saturday October 5, 2013; Set-up 10:00 am to 12:00 pm; Event is from 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm. – Mike Mariani will be the facilitator for the Commissioners/Green Team members; Rayna will communicate to Charlene and Michelle that Mike Mariani is the contact person for the Environmental Commission and Green Team booths.
- VI. 2013 Environmental Commission Budget – Provided an update to the Commissioners
- VII. Report from Planning Board
- a. Application of John Hryncewich – 53 Braen Avenue & 7 Sotnick Street – Subdivision Plan – Hearing Tuesday September 17, 2013 at 7:30 pm – Discussed application; Lisa and Rayna will prepare comments and attend upcoming meeting.
- VIII. Report from Zoning Board of Adjustment
- a. Christian Health Care Center – Hearing September 30, 2013 and will continue on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month. – Encourage Commissioners to attend the meeting.
- IX. Updates on Issues and Commissioners Concerns, Next Steps - None

**Next Meeting October 17, 2013 at 7:30 pm  
Municipal Building**