



**Environmental Commission
Minutes
September 14, 2014**

Call to Order: Rayna Laiosa, Pat Hutzelman, and Hazel Pinos

Guests: Paula Tutein and Mary Mahon

- I. Attendance and Acceptance of Environmental Commission Minutes –July 10, 2014 and August 21, 2014 – Moved to the October meeting
- II. Hawthorne Water Reports – July 2014 reports was reviewed and discussed. All water results are fine, below NJDEP water quality standards
- III. Green Team Subcommittee Meeting
 - a. Community Garden
 - i. Green Lecture August 25, 2014 – Organic Pest Management conducted by Jack Systma 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm - went well
 - ii. Garden Rules Revised – Distributed to gardeners and Borough website
 - b. Next Green Team Meeting September 22, 2014 at 8:00 pm – Cancelled due to Green Fair on Sunday September 21,, 2014**
- IV. Buy Local Campaign – Hawthorne Bookstore BINGO! August 1 to August 22, 2014
 - a. Press Release and Ad – Bingo Party Celebration – Hawthorne Press
 - b. Shop Bingo Celebration – Friday August 22, 2014 at 6:30 pm Well Read Bookstore Event went well
- V. Green Fair – Sunday September 21, 2014 (rain date Sunday October 5, 2014) – 9:00 am to 2:00 pm (set-up 8:00 am and clean-up 2:00 to 2:30 pm)
 - i. Men of Horse Band –Confirmed \$350
 - ii. Event Timeline
 1. 10:30 to 11:15 am Band
 2. 11:30 to 12:15 pm Band
 3. 12:15 to 12:30 pm – Hawthorne School of Dance
 4. 12:30 to 1:15 pm Band
 - iii. Hold Harmless Agreement 2014
 - iv. Volunteers Requested Rayna/Robert Meier – All day
 1. 8 to 10 – Set-Up/Booth – Rosanne, Hazel, Mary
 2. 10 to 12- Bob, Pat H, Pat M
 3. 12 to 2 – Helga, Molly
 4. 2 to 2:30 Clean Up – Bob, Rayna, Robert
 - v. Discuss Potential Vendors
 1. Amy Rowe – Rainbarrel/water conservation booth - Confirmed
 2. Elaine Bloomingdale Planner – native plants – Confirmed from 12 to 2:00 pm
 3. Hawthorne Recycling – Confirmed; Discussed putting the recycling tonnage and percentage on Borough’s website (similar to Fair Lawn website); Rayna is working with Ellen.
 4. Green Sky Industries – No – No longer in business

5. Well Read Bookstore – booth and author speaking - Confirmed
 6. Viridian Energy (Rick Camacho) from Cel-Earth-Bration 2014 – Confirmed
 7. Composting Demonstration – Mary Mahon - Confirmed
 8. Hawthorne Garden Club – Confirmed
 9. Pandora Healing - Confirmed
 10. Passaic County 4-H Club – Amy Rowe did not respond back to Mary - No
 11. Rocky’s Pet Pantry – Confirmed
 12. NJ Clean Energy Program – Promote- Hazel will put together a table display with programs. Complete
 13. Green Team/Environmental Commission Booth –Community Garden, Rain Garden
 14. Food Bank – “New Hope” - Hazel - Confirmed
 15. Hawthorne Food Bank – Hazel will contact Board of Health; Will provide flyers and container for collection
 16. Hawthorne School of Dance – Rosanne will contact the owner - Confirmed
 17. Hawthorne Chamber of Commerce - Confirmed
 18. Cross Fit SOAR – Hazel will contact them - No
 19. Learning Tree - No
 20. Boy Scouts Troop 93 – Bob Maggio will contact Steve - No
 21. Girl Scouts - No
 22. Maria’s Party Planner – Facepainting and Popcorn - Confirmed
- vi. Food Vendors
1. Flo’s Market – No longer participating at the event; next year
 2. Cuban Flavor - Confirmed
- vii. Community Garden – Tri-Fold Display for table – Pat MacDonnell
- viii. Giveaways - Rosanne ordered materials - Complete
- ix. Publicity - Press Release, Flyers, Advertisement, Social Media, Borough’s website, Channel 77 – Hazel & Rayna
- x. Tables and Chairs for event – Hawthorne Board of Recreation (Charlene/Ellen – tables- Confirmed) and Robert Maggio Boys & Girls Club (John – chairs - Confirmed); Rayna is working with the Library for delivery of tables from DPW.; DPW will delivery tables the day of the event.
- xi. Layout of the Green Fair – Green Fair vendors will be located on the Library driveway closest to Grand Avenue. Band will be playing on the concrete pathway adjacent to the Rain Garden.
- VI. Hawthorne Day – Saturday September 27, 2014; Set-up 10:00 am to 12:00 pm; Event is from 12:00 pm to 6:00 pm
- a. Request Volunteers 2 hour shifts
 - i. 10 to 12 Set-up – Rosanne, Bob, Pat M, and Rayna
 - ii. 12 to 2 – Rayna, Helga, and Hazel
 - iii. 2 to 4 Molly, Hazel, and Rayna
 - iv. 4 to 6 – Pat H, Rayna
 - b. Giveaways
- VII. ANJEC Environmental Achievement Award – Deadline September 12, 2014 – Discussed preparing an application for the Buy Local Campaign – Where’s Waldo and Bookstore Bingo. Rayna will review and prepare draft application.- Application submitted to ANJEC; Waiting for response

- VIII. Zoning Board of Adjustment Report
 - a. Car Wash, former Chet Decker – Monday August 18, 2014 at 7:00 pm – Environmental Commission will not be preparing comments or testifying at the Hearings as agreed previously. The property will remain as commercial, not residential. Site is under the LSRP program.
 - b. 233 Central Avenue Project – Monday August 18, 2014 at 7:00 pm – Commission needs to review the site plans

- IX. Updates on Issues and Commissioners Concerns, Next Steps
 - a. Rain Garden Update
 - b. Selfie Project – Hazel Pinos –
 - i. Month of September 2014
 - ii. Winner Announced at Hawthorne Day
 - iii. Hazel will prepare the press release and instructions
 - iv. Participation/assistance from the HHS & Middle School Ecology Club

**Next Meeting October 9, 2014 at 7:30 pm
Municipal Building**