

## **Environmental Commission Minutes February 11, 2010**

Call to Order: Rayna Laiosa, Rosanne Zagatta, Lisa Szegedi, Patricia Hutzelman, Robert Maggio, Carmen Ruta,

Guests: John Dorval, Mike Mahometa, Cindy Frank, Olivia Gagliardi, Brian Lubbert, Deborah Hoffman (Passaic County Economic Development), Corey Nachshen and Charles Stebbins (Dewberry-Goodkind, Inc.), Joe Dempsey (The Louis Berger Group, Inc.)

- I. Attendance and Acceptance of Minutes –January 2009  
Motion by: Robert Maggio, Second by: Lisa Szegedi
  
- II. Passaic County Brownsfield Commission Status Update on 55 Schoon Avenue – Preliminary Assessment Report issued
  - a. Discussed history of the site and prior remedial investigation and remedial action
  - b. Identified seven (7) areas of concerns
  - c. Site investigation will be performed – additional soil and groundwater sampling will be conducted to address the 7 areas of concerns.
  - d. Estimate 4 months to conduct the site investigation field work, lab analysis, and report writing. Anticipate in July/August 2010 remedial investigation report will be issued.
  
- III. Status Update on Environmental Commission Vacancy – Robert Kurdock will be appointed to the Environmental Commission at the February 17, 2010 council meeting.
  
- IV. Water Report Update – January 2010 reports were reviewed and discussed. All water results are fine, below NJDEP water quality standards.
  
- V. ANJEC Updates – Discussed the topics with the Commission
  - a. Spreading the Word About Saving Energy CD-ROM
  - b. New Resource Papers Published – “Protecting Our Streams” and “Major State Programs Affecting Land Use”
  
- VI. Meetings/Seminars/Workshops
  - a. Brownfield and Green/Solar Solutions for Business Survival at the Passaic County Department of Economic Development Friday January 22, 2010 – Rayna Laiosa and Mike Mahometa attended the meeting. The speakers discussed the new New Jersey site remediation regulations and solar programs in New Jersey.
  
  - b. ANJEC Community Energy Outreach Training Wednesday January 27, 2010 – Rayna and John attended the meeting. We are registered as Community Partner from the New Jersey Clean Energy Program. As a part of this program, we can raise money for the town to promote energy efficient programs for residents of the community.
  
  - c. Fair Lawn Green Fair Seminar Thursday February 25, 2010 at 6:00 pm Fair Lawn Community Center 10-10 20<sup>th</sup> Street - Planning & Developing Opportunities for Walking and Biking and Stormwater Management – Meeting was canceled due to snow storm – Rescheduled for April 8, 2010
  
  - d. 14<sup>th</sup> Annual New Jersey Land Conservation Rally March 20, 2010 Montclair State University Conference Center, Montclair, NJ

- VII. Environmental Concerns
  - a. 179 Goffle Road Property – Robert and Rayna met with Mayor Goldberg and Eric Maurer to discuss the environmental concerns. Mayor Goldberg is working with Don Turner to address these concerns.
  
- VIII. Meeting with Mayor Goldberg February 5, 2010 update – Discussed the status of Sustainable Jersey certification, formalizing the Green Team (resolution), and Walkable Paths in Hawthorne project as a Smart Growth Grant proposal.
  
- IX. Cel-Earth-Bratton 2010 Date - April 17, 2010
  - a. Green Project Contest – in progress
  - b. T-shirt Contest – Propose extension to deadline Feb. 24, 2010 due to snow storms
  - c. School Use Application Form submittal - Complete
  - d. Teachers Representing the 5 schools – in -progress
  - e. Letters to the Teachers about the Green Project Contest – complete
  - f. Publicity – Press Releases, Posters for Advertisement – in progress
  - g. Certificates
  - h. Prizes – Recycling Contest and Games – in progress
  - i. Project Competition – Sign In Sheet of Participants
  - j. Entertainment –Bill Ponder (Hawks) and Green Program – booked
  - k. Tattoos, sponges – in progress
  - l. Face Painting – in progress
  - m. Games and Recycling Craft Workshop – in progress
  - n. Raffles – Lincoln Middle School Ecology Club and Hawthorne Recycling Coordinator
  - o. Judges -???
  - p. Refreshments – Hawthorne HS Ecology Club (dirt cake & toxic punch)
  - q. Photography
  - r. Composting Display table – Mary Mahon
  
- X. Report from Board of Adjustment – February 22, 2010 scheduled to be heard Patriot Development – The Environmental Commissioner’s will attend the meeting.
  
- XI. Report from Planning Board – Shotmeyer Tire Storage Area application
  
- XII. Green Team Subcommittee Meeting 1/25/2010
  - a. Status update on progress to Sustainable Jersey Certification - We are making progress towards our 150 points to become a Sustainable community.
  - b. 2010 ANJEC Smart Growth Grant – Discussed the walkable paths concept with the team.
  - c. **Next Green Team Meeting Monday March 22, 2010 at 7:30 pm Hawthorne Municiple Building**
  
- XIII. Updates on Issues and Commissioners Concerns, Next Steps
  - a. Green Building June 24, 2010 sponsored by Passaic County Economic Development
  
- XIV. **Next Meeting March 11, 2010 at 7:30 pm**