

Hawthorne Green Team Committee Minutes: June 28, 2010

Attendees: Mike Mahometa, Rayna Laiosa, Patricia Hutzelman, Rosanne Zagatta, Cindy Frank, Sarah Kiefer, Lisa Szegedi, Derek Dermi, Carl Schmidt, and John Lane

Green Team Purpose

- Making community life sustainable in a way that minimizes environmental harm and depletion of natural resources
- Framework is based on the Sustainable Jersey Certification

Topics Discussed on 06-28-2010:

- a. Review May's minutes - Approved
- b. Review projects for a Sustainable Jersey Certification
 - i. Hawthorne's Recycling Program – Assigned to John Dorval – in-progress
 - ii. Community Shredding Day – Assigned to John Dorval – in-progress
 - iii. Rigid Plastics Program (higher than #2's) – Assigned to John Dorval – in-progress
 - iv. Natural Resource Inventory Status – Summer intern project Derek Dermi
 - v. Mayor's Wellness Campaign – Assigned to Pat Huzelman
 - vi. Green Challenge – 2010 Walmart Grant \$25,000 "Switch to Stainless Steel Containers – Team reviewed and approved draft grant application. Deadline July 1, 2010; Grant application was submitted on June 30, 2010 and Borough Council and Board of Education supporting resolutions was submitted on July 12, 2010.
 - vii. Walking Paths in Hawthorne – walkable assessment – Potential grant opportunity NJDOT municipal aid deadline August 13, 2010 – Joint effort between Hawthorne Economic Development and Hawthorne Environmental Commission/Green Team to develop a grant application on behalf of Hawthorne.
 - viii. Energy Efficient Fair – Hawthorne Day October 2, 2010 Community Partners Initiative; Received a check in the amount of \$200 from New Jersey Clean Energy Program regarding the Green Team/Environmental Commission Energy Efficient Fair September 2009; The received money will be deposited in the municipal general fund as revenue for Hawthorne.
- c. Energy Efficient Programs
 - i. Energy Audit Status – Kick-off Conference Call June 15, 2010; tentative scheduling energy audits the week of June 21, 2010
 - ii. PSE&G Direct Install Program for Government Facilities – Program is on-hold.
- d. Future Projects
 - i. Discussed a potential areas for a Rain Garden – 8 Acre Woods sign area (borough owned property) Cindy Frank will contact Julie Romeo for interest in the development of a community rain garden.
 - ii. Community Outreach
 1. Movie Night "Environmental Theme"
 2. TV Commercial Channel 77 – Environmental Topics

VISION STATEMENT

Hawthorne is committed to protecting our natural resources while meeting the needs of the present generation without compromising those of future generations.

Sustainability means:

- Protecting our open spaces, and conserving our natural resources with waste reduction and recycling
- Promoting environmental education, and energy efficiency to residents and businesses alike
- Considering environmental, economic, and social impacts to future development
- Improving community health and quality of life for every citizen

Next Meeting: July 26, 2010 at the Hawthorne Library