



Hawthorne Green Team Committee Minutes: February 25, 2013

Attendees: Rayna Laiosa, Chris Cooper, Karen Young, Rosanne Zagatta, Hazel Pinos, Anthony Pinos, Mike Mariani, Pat Hutzelman, and Peter Russo

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 02-25-2013:

- a. Review January's minutes - Approved
- b. 2013 Projects
 - i. Sustainability Website – Peter will work with Charlene Elvin on our new updated Commission and Green Team websites
- c. Sustainable Jersey Silver Certification Application – Reviewed all Action Plans
 - i. Green Team – 2010, 2011, and 2012 summaries are prepared – Need to review and finalize them
 - ii. Energy Education and Outreach – As part of the Green Lecture Series, have a program on Energy Education at the Library. Rayna will contact Green Living Solutions for possible dates
 - iii. Community Education and Outreach – Need to prepare summary of activities – Annual June Environmental Program, New Sustainable Website, Memorial Day Parade Float, Rain Barrel Workshop, and Green Lecture Series
 - iv. Education for Sustainability Program – Need to prepare summary of 2010, 2011, and 2012 Cel-Earth-Bration event
 - v. Green Fair – Need to prepare summary of 2011 and 2012 Green Fair event; Prepare summary on “Green” Your Green Fair.
 - vi. Lead Education and Outreach Program and Lead Safe Training Program – Rosanne Zagatta will contact the School nurses about their program and Pat Hutzelman will contact the Borough's nurse about Borough's program
 - vii. Energy Audit for All Buildings – Follow-up on the implementation of projects identified in the Energy Audit. Contact Eric Maurer for the Closure documents from the Direct Install projects conducted.
 - viii. Municipal Carbon Footprint – Re-Submit existing documents
 - ix. Building Healthier Communities (Mayors Wellness Campaign) – Need to prepare summary of 2011 and 2012 activities – Pat Hutzelman
 - x. Anti-Idling Education and Enforcement Program – Sue Balik will prepare the Anti-Idling Resolution for Council and Mayor for approval and summary of activities (enforcement efforts, tagging days, etc.) for 2011 and 2012
 - xi. Buy Local Campaign and Support Local Businesses– Prepare summary for 2011, 2012, and 2013 events
 - xii. Support Local Food
 1. Buy Fresh Buy Local Program – Need to prepare summary of the 2011 and 2012 Farmer's Market

2. Farmer's Market - Need to prepare summary of the 2011 and 2012 Farmer's Market
3. Making Farmers Market Accessible (mass transit) Need to prepare summary of the 2011 and 2012 Farmer's Market
- xiii. Environmental Commission – Karen will prepare 2011 and 2012 summaries
- xiv. Natural Resource Inventory – Rayna and Mary Lou is working with the Planning Board for resolution of NRI as an “appendix” to the Borough's Master Plan
- xv. Tree & Woodland Management – Rayna is working with the Shadetree Commission Chair and Secretary
 1. Community Forestry Plan & Canopy Plan
 2. Tree Planting Programs
 3. Tree Maintenance Programs
 4. Tree Hazard & Health Assessment Inventory Projects
 5. Computerized Assessment of Municipal Trees
- xvi. Water Conservation Education Program – Save the Water Challenge 2011; Cel-Earth-Bration 2011 Girls Scouts “WOW” program; Rain Barrel Workshop Program
- xvii. Community Asset Mapping – Green Map Project
- xviii. Recycling Depot – Candice Soder will prepare the 2010 and 2011 summaries
- xix. Carpet & Foam Padding – Candice Soder will prepare the 2010 and 2011 summaries
- xx. Bulky Rigid Plastics – Candice Soder will prepare the 2010 and 2011 summaries
- xxi. Community Shredding Day – Candice Soder will prepare the 2010 and 2011 summaries
- xxii. Other – Environmental Commission Internship Program – Since 2009 to present

d. Open Discussions:

- i. Community Garden – The Library Board did not approve the garden at the Library. Eric, Business Administrator, requests that the Green Team propose alternative site for the Garden. The Green Team proposed Rhodes Park Utter Avenue. Rayna will contact Eric about our alternative site.
- ii. Rain Garden Projects – Hawthorne Library and The Learning Tree
- iii. Rayna has scheduled a meeting on Friday March 1, 2013 to discuss our Re-Certification Application to Sustainable Jersey (Silver Level) with Mayor Goldberg and Eric Maurer, Business Administrator.

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: March 25, 2013 at 7:30 pm