



**Virtual Meeting
Hawthorne Green Team Committee Minutes
July 26, 2021**

Call to Order: Rayna Laiosa, Pat MacDonnell, Carol Robertson, Mary Mahon, Lisa DeVos, Holly Cowen, Maureen Cook, Alexander Soteriou, and Craig Cayetano

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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 July 26, 2021

- a. Review June 28, 2021 Green Team Minutes – Approved
- b. Anti-Idling Signs – Carol & Pat Project Leads - Designated Locations – Purchased 30 signs from NJDEP Wag Fields, Pool Complex/Band Shell Area; Cubs field Maitland Ave, HHS field fence, Gateway Area, Boro Hall, Ambulance Corp, and Hawthorne Library; Carol and Pat went out to all the locations and took pictures - Completed
 1. Update - Summary Total of 30 Signs

2. Existing Posts/Fences- 4 (Pool) +3 (HHS) + 2 (Library) + 3 (Hawthorne Cubs Field) + 1 (Wag 2) + 2 (Haw Boro Hall) + 1 (Gateway) + 3 (Kohler Field) = 19 – **Next Step June:** Maureen will follow up with Eddie Mahoney on status of installation; will send an email to Pat, Carol, and Rayna on status
 3. New Posts Installed – 3 (Library) +2 (Ambulance) + 2 (Band Shell) + 4 (Wag field area) = 11
 4. Posts and Signs will be installed by Hawthorne Department of Public Works (DPW) – **Next Step:** Pat MacDonnell will confirm that all Anti Idling Signs are posted and report to Rayna and Maureen with status.
 5. Discussion on educational campaign once All signs are Installed and Posted – a) Join ‘forces’ with the police to educate and share information about anti idling by sending and communicating weekly (month long campaign); b) Maybe have school children involved with a contest about making posters about anti idling, and/or c) Maybe have some sort of handout at the town gas stations they can give out
- c. 10th Green Fair at the Farmers’ Market – Sunday September 12, 2021 (Rain Date: September 19, 2021)
1. Time of Event 10:00 am to 1:30 pm; set-up 9:00 am
 2. Music – Hawthorne local musician – Matt and Kevin – Team agreed to hire a local band from Hawthorne; Rayna will contact – Confirmed “Brothers McHat, a Matty Z duo!” Time – 10:00 am to 1:30 pm
 3. Potential Vendors – Contact Them & Request Participation – Open to New Vendors/Organizations – **Deadline for Commitment – Monday July 26, 2021**
 1. Amy Rowe – Rainbarrel/green infrastructure/ water conservation/native plant booth – Rayna will contact; **Confirmed** Matt Leconey (Project Manager for the Gateway to the Passaic River)
 2. Hawthorne Recycling – Maureen Cook – **Confirmed**
 3. “Animals Need You” non-profit organization - Tom – Mary will contact – **Confirmed**
 4. PCSPCA – Stephanie was going follow up - **Confirmed**
 5. BEAR Management – Doreen – Email will be sent - **Confirmed**
 6. City Green – Pat will contact – “maybe”
 7. Hawthorne Garden Club – Pat will contact Pat Wonder – unable to participant
 8. Pandora Healing – will re-assess – no longer in Hawthorne
 9. Goffle Brook Farm – donate vegetable seeds – Maureen will contact Donna, Owner
 10. Passaic County 4-H Club (Bike Smoothie Demonstration – Rutgers Nutrition) – Rayna will contact – Unable to participant
 11. Knead-U-Need – Rayna will contact – sent email; Pat will follow up via phone X
 12. Green Team/Environmental Commission Booth –Community Garden, Container Gardening, Rain Garden, Native Plant Projects, Gateway to the Passaic River -
 - 13. Composting Demonstration – Mary – Confirmed**
 14. Hawthorne Birds – Holly & Lisa – **Confirmed**

15. Project Medicine Box – Get literature/information for Green Team booth – Maureen Cook
16. Hawthorne School of Dance – Rosanne will contact Erin – **Confirmed** – Time 12:15 pm to 12:30 pm
17. The Learning Tree - Lisa will send an email – will follow up via phone X
18. Pilates Fusion Changed to Beyond the Fitness Studio - 973-310-3919– Holly will contact new owner
19. Chet Scents – Soy Candles – Rayna will reach out to Donna; Mary will follow up with phone X
20. Holistic Nutrition for Life – Nutrition - Robin – Mary will contact - unable to attend
21. Electric Car - Park Ave BMW – Craig **Confirmed**
22. Hawthorne Railroad Association – Lisa - Will send an email X
23. Hawthorne Shade Tree Commission – Rayna will contact Dria – **Confirmed**
24. Cub Scouts – Kim – Rosanne will contact
25. Girl Scouts – Lauren - Rosanne will contact
26. Lincoln Landscaping “Native Plants” – Maureen will contact Mike
27. Reimagined Design - Stephanie **Confirmed**
28. A Rock Solid History of Hawthorne NJ – Rosanne will contact Veronica – **Confirmed**
29. Hawthorne Historical Society – Rosanne will contact Veronica – **Confirmed**
30. Bee Habitat – Mary Kostus – Holly will text Lianna for contact information – unable to attend
31. Yoga with Gianna – Holly will contact Gianna; unable to participant at the September 12, 2021, but available on the 19th of September
32. DVRT – More appropriate National Night Out in August
33. Hawthorne Fire Department – Rosanne will contact – **Confirmed**
34. Fyke Nature Association – will re-assess – Not at this time
35. Anti-Idling Table – Be part of the Hawthorne Environmental Commission/Green Team Table
36. Wildbird Unlimited – Lisa will contact Owner, Scott,
37. Farmer’s Market Vendors –Rob Meier
38. North East Jersey Beekeeper Association – Richard Stellingwerf at 201-693-2571 – Rosanne will contact
39. World Paper USA/Tick Information – Alexandra – **Confirmed**
40. Vegan Lifestyle – No farm animals; educate to promote plant based choices– Elisabeth Barker – Confirmed Suggestion - “Sustainable Eating” “Eating Healthy” “Healthy Eating Lifestyle” “Meatless Eating” – **Confirmed**
41. Solar Company – Craig will contact - Here is our solar representative that will attend. – **Confirmed** - Who works for Trinity Solar.
Julie Saporito-Acuna
julie.saporito-acuna@trinity-solar.com
732-685-1744
42. Plug In EV Charger – Nick will email – Lisa will follow up via phone

- 43. Passaic River Coalition – Rayna will contact Laurie Howard – **Confirmed**
- 44. Passaic County – Health Screening – Passaic County Health Dept and Rutgers – **Confirmed**
- 45. Prestige Pest Services – Favio Ulloa – **Confirmed**
- 46. Cross Fit – Wagaraw Road – Dave Whitson – demonstration
- 4. Tables and Chairs for event – Hawthorne Board of Recreation (Maureen/Bob Scully- tables) and Boys & Girls Club (John – chairs) – Due to COVID, all vendors are requested to bring their own tables and chairs. If an issue, please contact X by Friday August 13, 2021.
- 5. Publicity
 - 1. Press Release – Pat will work on it, Facebook, Borough’s Website, Ads
 - 2. Green Fair Signs – Maureen will double check on the # of signs; Need to purchase additional 10 signs – Maureen
 - 3. Green Fair Flyers – Mike Mariani
 - 4. Special Invitations – Mayor and Council
- 6. Giveaways – Dog Tags and Can Opener out of recycled rubber
- 7. Contact Police in advance for signs and traffic control

d. Open Discussion – None

**Virtual Hawthorne Green Team ZOOM Meeting
Monday August 30, 2021 at 7:30 pm - Cancelled**

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