



**Environmental Commission /Green Team Minutes  
December 14, 2017**

Call to Order: Rayna Laiosa, Rosanne Zagatta Lisa Szegedi, and Robert Meier  
 Guests: Karen Young, Mary Mahon, and Carol Robertson

- I. Attendance and Acceptance of Meetings: Moved to the January 11, 2018 meeting
  - a. Environmental Commission Minutes – November 9, 2017
  - b. Green Team Minutes – November 27, 2017
  
- II. Hawthorne Water Reports September, October, and November 2017 reports was reviewed and discussed. All water results are fine, below NJDEP water quality standards
  
- III. Planning Board Report – Mary Lou DiMattia/Robert Meier – No report
  
- IV. Zoning Board of Adjustment
  - a. Royal Avenue Project – Monday November 20, 2017 at 6:45 pm - Developer is re-designing project – decreased the number of units; Entire application is moved back to the Planning Board to be heard; No longer a density use required variance; Will be submitted 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2018
  
- V. Hawthorne Environmental Commissioners Appointments – 2018
  - a. Rosanne Zagatta – re-appointed
  - b. Mary Lou DiMattia – re-appointed (liaison on the Planning Board)
  - c. Pat MacDonnell – moved from an Alternate to a full member of the Hawthorne Environmental Commission
  - d. Mary Mahon – Appointed to full member of the Hawthorne Environmental Commission
  - e. Carol Robertson – Appointed to an Alternate member of the Hawthorne Environmental Commission
  
- VI. 2018 Environmental Commission Meeting Dates – 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday - Confirmed

January 11, 2018
February 8, 2018
March 8, 2018
April 12, 2018
May 10, 2018
June 11, 2018 – Annual Environmental Program
July 12, 2018
August 9, 2018
September 6, 2018 (1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday)
October 11, 2018

November 8, 2018
December 13, 2018

**Notes:**

Saturday April 21, 2018 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Cel Earth Bration – HHS  
 Saturday September 22, 2018 – 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Hawthorne Day

VII. 2018 Green Team Meeting Dates – 4<sup>th</sup> Monday - Confirmed

January 29, 2018
February 26, 2018
March 26, 2018
April 23, 2018
May 21, 2018 (3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday)
June 25, 2018
July 23, 2018
August 27, 2018
September 24, 2018
October 22, 2018
November 26, 2018
December 13, 2018

**Notes:**

Sunday September 9, 2018 – 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Green Fair at the Farmers’ Market  
 Rain Date Sunday September 16, 2018 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Green Fair

VIII. 2017 Hawthorne Environmental Commission and Green Team Accomplishments

- a. Native Plant Project – Successful completion; Sustainable Jersey Sustainability Store November 2017
- b. 4<sup>th</sup> year Community Garden; donated 66 lbs Hawthorne Food Pantry
- c. 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Cel Earth Bration & Trashion Show – April 2017
- d. 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Green Fair
- e. 9<sup>th</sup> Hawthorne Day
- f. Royal Realty application – Environmental Commission submitted report
- g. Turf Field Gospel Church – Environmental Commissioner – Chair testify at Planning Board hearing – stormwater, steep slopes, material of construction of turf field
- h. Commissioners/Green Team member participated in a Survey for a capstone project – Volunteers and Municipal Government
- i. Environmental Commission Recommendation – Noxious Weeds Proposed Ordinance
- j. Monitoring NJDEP’s Emerging Contaminants program- PFAS regulations; Drinking Water Maximum Contaminant Levels – PFNA MCL 13 parts per trillion; PFOA MCL 14 parts per trillion; and PFOS MCL 13 parts per trillion

IX. Green Team Subcommittee Meeting

- a. Green Lectures 2018
  - 1. Goffle Brook Farms – Native Plants
  - 2. Nutrition – Robin – Confirmed/Booked Tuesday February 20, 2018 – 7:30 to 9:00 pm; set-up at 7:00 pm
  - 3. BEAR Program – Hawthorne wildlife – coyotes, deer, & bear – Mary Mahon is following up with Doreen for availability
  - 4. Don Torino – Bird Watching Program
  - 5. Potential Dates – 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the months – February, March, – Mary Mahon will contact the Library to confirm potential dates; Dates to avoid – 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month –

- Council meeting; 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month – Zoning Board meeting; and  
1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month – Planning Board meeting;
- b. Bird Watch – Walking Tour – Saturday May 19, 2018
  - c. **Next Green Team January 29, 2018 Hawthorne Library**

- X. Update on Issues and Commissioners Concerns, Next Steps - None

**Environmental Commission Meeting  
January 11, 2018 at 7:30 pm  
Municipal Building**