

Hawthorne Green Idea Committee Minutes August 17, 2009

Attendees: Rayna Laiosa, Robert Maggio, Rosanne Zagatta, and Christina Auger

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 at Meeting

- Borough of Hawthorne and Board of Education will jointly apply for the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Grant. Grant proposal of \$100,000. Grant deadline is September 4, 2009.
- Hawthorne Day Preparation – Energy Efficient Theme – Promote energy savings and efficiency. Curry Printers created the Environmental Commission banner for this event and future events. Mary Mahon created Save Energy and Save Money flyer the event.
- New Jersey Clean Energy Grant Update – Part I is complete and approved by New Jersey Clean Energy Program. Part II - Hawthorne submitted the draft RFP to New Jersey Clean Energy for review and approval. At this point, we are waiting for approval. Once the RFP proposal is accepted, Hawthorne can request bid proposals from the approved list of consultants.
- Reviewed and discussed the template for the Sustainable Plan short and long term goals.

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 September 28, 2009 at Rayna Laiosa 89 Minerva Ave at 7:30pm