



City of Portland Pesticide Management Advisory Committee

March 10, 2020
5pm
City Hall Room 24

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Review and Approve Minutes
 - a. Minutes from February 4, 2020
3. Reports and Updates
 - a. Review drafted Annual Report
 - b. Determine Sustainability Week event - tabling at Eldredge Lumber, etc.
 - c. Discuss and review pesticide reporting from commercial applicators
 - d. 2020 Annual Meeting of the Maine Invasive Species Network - March 24th
 - e. Updates on South Portland fertilizer discussions and Falmouth reporting ordinance
4. Discussion
 - a. Future meeting topics
5. Confirm next meeting date
6. Adjournment

CITY OF PORTLAND, MAINE
Pesticide Management Advisory Committee

Minutes February 4, 2020

Members Present: Avery Kamilla, Karen Snyder, Carol Laboissonniere, Priscilla Skerry, Jesse O'Brien

Staff Present: Troy Moon, Ashley Krulik

Meeting was called to order at 4:10pm by Karen Snyder.

Applicator Reports

- Post to Sustainability website the companies that are in compliance.

Review and Approve Minutes from January 7, 2020

- Avery moved to accept, Priscilla seconded, all in favor.

Annual PMAC Report

- Sustainability team to develop draft
- Summary of public outreach completed
 - Applicator roundtable
 - Flower Show
 - Green Neighbor Family Fest
 - Greenfest
- Outline planned public outreach

Reports and Updates

City of Portland Land Care Plan

- Follow-up with Matt TenEyck regarding budget plan
- Carol - may want to suggest some changes to his plan to have better success - mix in synthetic fertilizer to support new root systems.

Franklin Street Solarizing Project

- Very high maintenance, can become very weedy and messy
- Potential plants:
 - Catmint - short lifespan
 - Clover
- Going to have weeds no matter how long the tarp is down
- City is partnering with Portland Pollinator Project and Wild Seed Project
- PMAC is available to help if needed

Fertilizer Ordinance

Jesse on the sopo committee. They're working through the technical aspects. Developing BMPs, deciding whether to recommend a ban.

Falmouth is working on a fertilizer ordinance, too.

Education

- Reach out to larger retailers - Lowe's and Home Depot
 - Troy to call and make an appointment, present materials
 - Show them what the local competition is doing
- Paris Farmers Union
 - PMAC to reach out directly
- Upcoming Home Shows
 - Carol to bring educational materials to Home and Remodel Show, Feb 15 + 16 and Portland Home Show, April 17-19
- Maine Flower Show
- Display materials at Hill House
- Put out brochures in City Hall lobby
- Sustainability Week - press event on April 22 with tables
 - PMAC table
 - Handout seeds?
 - Include pesticide ordinance successes in press release - stats around decrease in pesticide use on City property, people are reporting seeing more pollinators

Next meeting March 3 — meet at 4PM

Jesse -- worked with Jeff Tarling to arrange a tour of Cushing Island to view conservation land
Waiver request in sopo for wainwright field.

Jesse also chairing sopo pmac

Adjourn: 5:00pm