SOUTH PORTLAND PEST MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING NOTES
5/6/19 (5-6:30 PM) – COMMUNITY CENTER

ATTENDEES

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<th>Residents / Taxpayers</th>
<th>MBPC-Licensed Professionals</th>
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<td>Cathy Chapman</td>
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1. Review, revise and/or approve 4/1/19 meeting notes
   - Approved as written

2. Pesticide Ordinance Review & Evaluation
   - 4/5/19 meeting attended by various interests including land care professionals
   - Evaluation Report due to Council by 5/1/19 but Julie wants to discuss on 5/8/19
   - Will have draft ready for PMAC review shortly thereafter
   - Ensuing discussion:
     - Need to carefully review waiver form to allow applicants to detail what they’ve done already
     - Important to have sense of trust in what professionals are doing (but also to trust AND verify)
       - Professional credentials matter: Wainwright and SMCC pros are really trying to do the right thing – presumption of good intent
     - Also important to recognize distinction between DIY’ers and pros
       - Need to treat all waiver applicants the same regardless
     - Expand narrative section for more description of previous efforts with trying different approaches used to comply with ordinance
       - This narrative should also include details on timing of different attempts
       - Explanation of how various methods and materials were carefully evaluated including specifics for types of practices
       - Avoid being being too prescriptive
       - Create a sample form to serve as an example
     - Should cost considerations be a factor for deciding whether to grant waiver?
       - Current ordinance provisions don’t provide any allowances for cost impacts
     - Should there be a stated distinction between residential lawn and high use athletic field?
       - E.g., when grub issues don’t allow athletic field to be used as intended (due to issues with player safety / playability)
       - Also important to consider notions of public vs private goods
     - Need more specific info for organic grub control on website – lots of existing info that we can link to (or adapt) – Julie and Fred will do
Web site (grubs) and waiver app first things we should work on

3. Yerxa Park Improvement Project Status
   • With recent Planning Board project approval, CDBG grant funds will be available following final review by HUD
   • However, goats won’t be permitted until Animal Grazing Ordinance approved and enacted

4. Animal Grazing Ordinance Status
   • First reading by Council on 5/7/19
   • Second reading by Council on 5/21/19 and if approved goes into effect 20 days later (6/10/19)

5. Fertilizer Ordinance Update
   • 4/9 Council workshop with presentations by Jay Feldman (Beyond Pesticides), Chip Osborne (Osborne Organics), Mary Cerullo (Friends of Casco Bay), Heather Spaulding (MOFGA), Curtis Bohlen (Casco Bay Estuary Partnership)
   • Council appointed committee to begin ordinance development process with Curtis Bohlen (CBEP) serving as scientific advisor
     o Matt Tenycke (sp?) won’t be able to serve; Breece Sleeper will be his replacement (landscaper from Biddeford)
     o Committee charge will be to explore need for an ordinance – not necessarily foregone conclusion
     o 1st meeting June 5th
   • Brief overview of science on lawn/turf fertilizer impacts on water quality
     o Much of the science that empirically measured N compounds suggest that lawns/turf are highly retentive of N
     o Discussion about establishing lawns: synthetic vs organic – quick vs. slow
     o Send Chesapeake Bay report to PMAC

6. Review & Discuss Recent Waiver Applications
   • South Portland Parks Dept. Wainwright Field
     o Approved due to documented attempts to address grub infestation with non-synthetic chemicals and related cultural practices
   • SMCC athletic fields
     o Approved after considerable discussion about concerns with close proximity to water

7. Other Discussion Items
   • Todd Robbins will be joining PMAC to fill Arborist’s position starting next month
   • Preemption bill status
     o Amended so that local ordinances will not be made exempt and Coop. Ext. will do more with IPM (therefore, technically no longer a preemption bill)
Also includes funding for brown tail moth control, which could require funding from municipalities

- Exemption under our ordinance to spray is a controversial issue since different application methods all have some collateral damage.

- Wainwright Field had 2 grub species (1 native and 1 nonnative): May/June beetle and 4 eurochafers

- Question about status of Bug Light pilot project: Fred will check with Julie

8. Adjourn

NEXT MEETING ON MONDAY JUNE 3, 2019 5-6:30 PM