

## SOUTH PORTLAND PEST MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING NOTES 6/3/19 (5-6:30 PM) – COMMUNITY CENTER

### ATTENDEES

Residents / Taxpayers	MBPC-Licensed Professionals	Agronomist
Cathy Chapman Brett LeBleu (absent) Ann Morrill (Chair)	Justin Nichols Todd Robbins	Jesse O'Brien (absent)
City Staff	Guests	
Fred Dillon (notes)	Andrew Capellutti	

1. Introductions and Welcome to New PMAC Member Todd Robbins (Licensed Arborist)
  - Todd worked at Ram Island Farm (Sprague Corp) starting in 2004 and has been Cape's tree warden for the past 3 years
  - Resigned from Sprague recently and started his own business
  - International arborist certification: ISA and Tree Risk Assessment Qualified (TRAQ) – allows for risk assessment of structural integrity based on probability of parts or all of tree failing, chances of hitting a target and consequences of failure (e.g., Cape has decided that trees of moderate probability are taken down)
  - Summary of requirements for meeting attendance requirements
  - **Determine what Todd's rotation in the schedule**
  
2. Review, revise and/or approve 5/6/19 meeting notes: minor revision under item 7
  
3. Animal Grazing Ordinance & Yerxa Park Status
  - Passed by Council on 5/21/19 and goes into effect on 6/10/19
  - Parks Dept will bring goats back in late June to remove knotweed
    - Part of CDBG grant project
  - Karl Coughlin will attend 7/1/19 PMAC meeting to discuss next steps for knotweed smothering
  
4. Fertilizer Ordinance Update
  - Background: pesticide ordinance originally intended to include fertilizers but too involved to do both; Protect South Portland has asked Council to develop separate fertilizer ordinance
  - First Fertilizer Workgroup meeting on 6/5/19
  - Will provide meeting summary at next PMAC meeting (on 7/1/19)
  - An aside: MOFGA has opened a Portland office and may be interested in providing staff for serving on committees; potential interest in the Bug Light project (**follow up with Julie**)
  
5. Questionnaire to Gauge Understanding of and Compliance with Ordinance (ATTACHMENT)
  - Review and refine as needed while trying to keep to less than 10 questions
  - Considerable discussion for improvements – will consider revised version at 7/1/19 PMAC meeting
  - Discussion of distribution methods
    - Public events

- Library, Community Center, City Hall
  - Online
  - Consider doing random distribution for representative sampling
6. PMAC Ordinance Evaluation & Recommendations to Council & Sustainability Director (TABLED FOR NEXT MEETING)
- Review draft outline (ATTACHMENT)
    - Ann's overview of process to date: Ann and Fred met with Julie to come up with outline
  - Fred and Ann will complete report and send to PMAC for comments (hopefully within the next week)
  - Ordinance specifies report to Council by 5/1/19 but won't be ready until mid-June
  - Will discuss potential PMAC tasks following report completion (perhaps at 7/1/19 PMAC meeting)
7. Adjourn

**NEXT MEETING ON MONDAY JULY 1, 2019 5-6:30 PM**