

PESTICIDE USE BY-LAW ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MONDAY, 2006 JUNE 26

RECREATION BOARDROOM

In attendance:

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| 1) Art M., Chair | 5) Neil P. | 9) Dave H. |
| 2) Greg G. | 6) Ivor N. | 10) Mary Ellen G. |
| 3) Edi T. | 7) Jenn F., Co-Chair | 11) Brendan M. |
| 4) John M.. | 8) Andy M. | |

Regrets: Elizabeth R., Kevin S.

Guest: Sophie Verrier, IPM Coordinator

Purpose: Presentation undertaken by Jane Stock, Executive Director of B.C. Landscape & Nursery Trades Association.

The B.C. Landscape & Nursery Trades Association presentation focused on achieving sustainable landscapes in B.C. and the importance of multi-faceted strategies through partnerships. The B.C.L.N.T.A. outlined several major associations that can provide valuable information to both pest management decision makers and workers. In addition to B.C. Landscape & Nursery Association there is the Western Canadian Turf Grass Association, B.C. Recreation & Parks Association and the B.C. Golf Superintendent Association.

The presentation can be summarized in these points:

- Pest management accreditation would make it easier for the public to identify companies that use responsible practices.
- It is critical that garden centers and landscape contractors are integrated into the provincial and municipal pest management strategies as they come in direct contact with homeowners making pest management decisions.
- Better support from garden centers and landscape companies for them to do more effective and efficient and responsible pest management diagnosis.
- Municipalities must promote education and responsible use of pesticides.

Next meeting will be scheduled in early September, 2006.

Minutes taken by Dave H.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm.