

IPM Committee Meeting Minutes - *Amended*

8/20/2020

In attendance via conference call: Justin Traxler, Margaret Doris, Dana Hanson (available for first 15 minutes), Kelly Brown (not available for first 15 minutes) and Derek Mannion (No quorum was present since 5 IPM Committee members were not present at one time)

- Reviewed and approved minutes from IPM meeting on 8/13/2020. Quorum was present via an email from Bruce Wenning to approve minutes.
- *JT observed from first treatment how Pylex dramatically improved conditions at Albemarle. Weeks and Waban have notable outbreaks of Goosegrass and Crabgrass that are "shading out" turf grass. These weeds were not present in the Spring when the IPM first approved the Pilot. JT discussed Newton Soccer proposal to treat Lincoln Warren and Weeks Field with Pylex. DH did not want to treat fields. MD asked who documented weed thresholds. DM had documented weed thresholds on several field trips. The city agreed not to treat the fields. A second treatment option was never discussed in abutter letter or informational zoom meeting. Discussed how to proceed as an IPM Committee. JT power point should be posted to city webpage and shared with Newton Councilors. KB discussed future steps IPM Committee. A five-year treatment plan for fields should be developed. The plan should be posted to webpage. This will be based on ipm field pest assessments that will begin this fall. Emergency waiver protocols need to be modified/revised. Abutter letter needs to be modified/revised to encapsulate all possible pest scenario treatments within a calendar year.*
- KB to takes minutes going forward. DM will be backup.
- IPM Meetings will be every two weeks. Next meeting is 9/3/2020.

Respectfully submitted,

Derek Mannion

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