

**COUNTY OF MARIN  
INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT  
COMMISSION  
DRAFT MINUTES FOR MEETING October 27, 2023**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Rika Gopinath  
Susan Hopp  
Myrto Ashe  
Kevin Sadlier  
Steven Swain

ABSENT: Scott Sherman

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by Chair Sadlier.

Commissioner introductions, welcome new Commissioner Bob Maucelli

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

A member of the public commented about legislation promoting soil protection.

**3. APPROVE MINUTES FOR MEETING HELD ON 4/28/23**

**M/S Sadlier/Gopinath made a motion to approve minutes**

**AYE: Sadlier, Gopinath, Ashe, Hopp, Swain**

**NAY: NONE**

**ABSTAIN: Maucelli**

**4. PRESENTATION OF 2022 IPM ACHIEVEMENT AWARD to WILDCARE STAFF**

**5. IPM COORDINATOR'S 2023 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> QUARTER REPORTS**

Parks staff gave a presentation for the IPM Coordinator 2023 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Report.

There were no product exemptions in Q2.

There was one violation in Q2.

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An exemption was given in Q3 for PT Waspfreeze II at park sites .  
An exemption was given in Q3 for Habitat use at Hal Brown Marsh  
There were no violations in Q3

There were no applications made to landscape sites in either quarter.

## **6. FORMATION OF SUBCOMMITTEE FOR IPM AWARD (ACTION ITEM)**

Commission approved a subcommittee consisting of commissioners Sadlier and Gopinath to make recommendations for a 2024 IPM Award winner.

**M/S: Hopp/Gopinath**

**AYE: Sadlier, Gopinath, Ashe, Hopp, Swain**

**NAY: NONE**

**ABSTAIN: Maucelli**

**Commissioner Comments:** Commissioner Hopp would like to learn more about outreach methods. Commissioner Gopinath shared some of these methods that have been used in the past and are being planned.

## **7. ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2024 (ACTION ITEM)**

Commission approved a subcommittee consisting of commissioners Sadlier and Hopp to make recommendations for a 2024 slate of officers.

**M/S: Gopinath/Ashe**

**AYE: Sadlier, Gopinath, Ashe, Hopp, Swain**

**NAY: NONE**

**ABSTAIN: Maucelli**

## **8. YARDSMART MARIN UPDATES (INFORMATION ITEM)**

Commissioner Gopinath shared updates from YardSmart Marin about Beyond Pesticides' Parks for a Sustainable Future grant program.

## **9.COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

Sadlier: Suggests commissioners and partners mushroom hunt on January 28<sup>th</sup>. 2 hours north on Sonoma coast.

Hopp: Nov 10 reusable food ware requirements at dine in restaurants are being implemented.

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Ashe: Native plants are important for public health.

Swain: Provided education about phytopthera ramorum in the US.  
Commissioner Mauceli is a leader in the native plants guild for the Marin Master Gardeners. He is the co-chair of the helpdesk and reads every email that comes into the helpdesk.

**M/S: Sadlier/Gopinath made a motion to adjourn at 11:25 am**

**AYE: ALL**

**NAY: NONE**

**ABSENT: SWAIN**