

**COUNTY OF MARIN
INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT COMMISSION
DRAFT MINUTES FOR MEETING APRIL 23, 2021**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Thomas Perry
Rika Gopinath
Dan Monte
Scott Sherman
Susan Hopp
Kevin Sadlier
Nanette Londeree
Myrto Ashe
Steven Swain

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chair Sherman.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

No one from the public came forward

3. APPROVE MINUTES FOR MEETING HELD ON April 23, 2021

M/S Gopinath/Swain approved minutes with corrections

AYES: Sherman, Hopp, Sadlier, Londeree, Perry

Abstain: Monte/Ashe

4. PRESENTATION OF 2020 IPM ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

The 2020 IPM Achievement Awards was presented to Greg Reza and Kirk Schroeder.

5. IPM COORDINATORS'S 2021 FIRST QUARTER REPORT

There were no pesticide applications on county landscape in the first quarter of 2021.

There was a total of 5436 total Staff Hours, 2104 Volunteer Hours and 3010 Contract Hours.

There were no exemptions to Marin County IPM Policy in the first quarter of 2021.

There were no violations of Marin County IPM Policy in the first quarter.

6. REVISED IPM AWARD NOMINATIONS

Chair Sherman presented suggested revised IPM Award Nominations Form which are:

1. Clarify that a nomination might relate to one or both:

- a) IPM methods and applications in the field
- b) Leadership, Advocacy and Education

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2. Ensure that ample background is provided on the person(s)/organization(s) so that Commissioners know who they are and their role(s).
3. Summarize the IPM process undertaken, for example all efforts prior to any use of pesticides.
4. Summarize how the candidate's efforts result in change (measurable outcomes), such as: Decreasing or stopping the use of pesticides.
 - a) Decreasing the toxicity (e.g., signal word) of any pesticide(s) used.
 - b) Increasing the use of organic pesticides.
 - c) Clarify that it's sufficient to nominate and amplify information on just 3 to 4 criteria.
 - d) One need not intensively hit all 10 criteria to be eligible and worthy to receive the award.

Encourage nominators to include both quantitative data (e.g., acres or square feet involved; amount of pests decreased as measured by; pesticide use decreased or eliminated) and qualitative information (increased community interest and participation in IPM practices as indicated by; types of target pests affected; increased food and shelter provided to beneficials; conditions changed to decrease pest pressure; benefits achieved in horticultural or food crops).

Discussion ensued regarding making this a fillable form on the computer and cell phone.

A Subcommittee with Commissioners Sherman, Swain, Londeree and, Hopps to discuss the suggested changes.

7. MARIN MASTER GARDENERS PRESENTATION

Commissioner Londeree presented an updated website and videos for Marin Master Gardeners.

8. COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS

Several commissioners came forward with comments