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Summerside starts process to enact cosmetic pesticide ban

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Coun. Brian McFeely, chairman of the Governance, Policy and Strategy Committee, reads the city's new Cosmetic Pesticides and Integrated Pest Management Bylaw into the record during Monday night's council meeting.

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SUMMERSIDE, P.E.I. – Summerside city council passed first reading of the community's new Cosmetic Pesticides and Integrated Pest Management Bylaw Monday evening.

Council has been working on the bylaw in one form or another for more than a year. Monday night represented the first time the wording of the new bylaw was presented in a public forum.

Mayor Bill Martin, who made the introduction of a cosmetic pesticide ban one of his campaign priorities, said he was pleased with how the document turned out, though he added it's not likely to please everyone.

"We've got a made-in-Summerside ... policy that not everybody is going to be happy with," said Martin.

"I know that there are clearly dissenting views and folks who say 'No, these (pesticides) are approved ... you should be allowing people to spray them.' But I think what we've done is prudent and I think what we did was the right decision for us."

The bylaw itself states that no person shall apply a non-domestic (meaning commercial, agricultural, etc.) or restricted pesticide for the purpose of maintaining outdoor trees, shrubs, flowers or other ornamental plants on private or city owned land. There are, however, a number of exceptions due to extreme circumstances such as infestations, controlling invasive or exotic species or to prevent negative impacts on human or animal health. The bylaw also lays out a list of active ingredients in allowable pesticides.

Anyone who breaks the bylaw, upon conviction, is liable to pay a fine of between \$1,000 and \$5,000, plus the costs of prosecution, or up to a maximum of six months in jail, or both.

Coun. Brian McFeely, chairman of the Governance, Policy and Strategy Committee, which developed the bylaw, said Summerside took its time with this process, which not everyone was happy about, but he believes they used that time wisely.

“We tried to be as broad as we possibly could, getting input from every stakeholder that exists around the pesticides,” said McFeely.

The new bylaw will next be reviewed at the committee of council level, then go back to the full council again for second and third readings.

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Background Information

Mr Pierre Petelle

Mr Petelle is a LEADING EXPERT who has recognized expertise, training, and background in matters concerning pest control products.

Mr Petelle speaks out against activists and anti-pesticide prohibitions on a regular basis.

Mr Petelle validly promotes the fact that pest control products, which include Neonicotinoid Insecticides, are ENVIRONMENTALLY-FRIENDLY.

He has the wisdom of a REAL expert.

NORAHG Response

NO ONE IN SUMMERSIDE, PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, WANTS TO LIVE IN #@!!% DANGEROUS & PEST-INFESTED URBAN LANDSCAPES THAT LOOK LIKE GARBAGE DUMPS !

In **Summerside**, observers have NO objection to government officials' choice of life-style, which, in this case, is a clear preference to live in an environment that looks like a garbage dump. However, observers DO object to the imposition of this lifestyle choice on the majority of the community that DOES NOT want to live in this manner. Observers expect that **Summerside**'s municipal prohibition will inflict ecological pest disasters leading to dangerous & unattractive garbage dump green spaces in the urban environment.

Outside of **Summerside**, in Ontario, the reckless and arbitrary imposition of fanatical-prohibition since 2009 has proven NOT in the best interest of health and environment. Sadly, Ontario's prohibition has created catastrophic ecological pest carnage in the form of garbage dump green spaces. No one, either in Ontario or in **Summerside**, wants to live in #@!!% dangerous and pest-infested urban landscapes that look like garbage dumps !

Observers now know that prohibitions will inflict catastrophic ecological pest carnage in **Summerside**, such as ...

- municipal & residential properties have been ruined by uncontrolled weed invasion & insect destruction
- weeds have invaded lawns, and dandelions have become the dominant ground cover
- lawns have been decimated by destructive insects like European Chafers
- playing surfaces have become hazardous to children who are at high risk of tripping and becoming seriously hurt
- infra-structures have been damaged by invasive noxious plants like Japanese Knotweed & Giant Hogweed
- mature street trees have been perishing
- rose plantations have been dying.

It is a recognized fact that prohibition is unnecessary since pest control products are scientifically-safe, practically-non-toxic, and will cause NO harm.

Please explore the following links ...

√ -- Catastrophic Carnage Leading To Garbage Dump Green Spaces -- Anti-Pesticide Prohibition Destroyed Public & Residential Green Spaces By Turning Them Into Garbage Dumps -- [WEB-PAGE](#)

<http://pesticidetruths.com/toc/carnage-leading-to-garbage-dumps/>

√ -- Catastrophic Carnage Inflicted By Garbage Dump Green Spaces -- Pesticide Bans Have Never Made Our Green Spaces Look So #@!!% Ugly -- [PHOTO GALLERY](#)

<http://pesticidetruths.com/toc/carnage-leading-to-garbage-dump-green-spaces-photo-gallery/>

√ -- Emerald Ash Borer -- Wisconsin Municipalities Prefer Insecticide Treatments, Or Chain Saws ?!?! -- Why Can't Ontario Protect Its Ash Trees ?!?! -- [BLOG](#)

<http://pesticidetruths.com/2014/01/19/emerald-ash-borer-wisconsin-municipalities-safe-effective-insecticide-treatments-versus-chain-saws-2014-01-05/>

√ -- Pesticides Are Scientifically Safe -- Less Lethal To Humans Than Caffeine -- [BLOG](#)

<http://pesticidetruths.com/2014/03/01/pesticides-are-scientifically-safe-safe-to-use-less-lethal-to-humans-than-caffeine-2014-02-27/>

√ -- Pesticides Are Scientifically Safe -- Children Are Not At Risk From Pesticides -- Dangerous Playing Surfaces Are Created By #@!!% Pesticide Bans ! -- Exploiting Children As Weapons Of Coercion -- [WEB-PAGE](#)

<http://pesticidetruths.com/toc/children-are-not-at-risk/>

√ -- Pesticides Are Scientifically Safe -- Pesticides Are Evaluated As Acceptable For Continued Registration By Health Canada -- [BLOG](#)

<http://pesticidetruths.com/2013/06/25/pesticides-evaluated-as-acceptable-for-continued-registration-by-health-canada-2013-03-31/>

√ -- Pesticides Are Scientifically Safe -- Real Trends AGAINST Pesticide Bans -- Victories Against Terrorists -- Our Children Are Safe When Pesticide Bans Are Stopped -- [BLOG WITH POSTERS](#)

<http://pesticidetruths.com/2012/10/11/posters-there-is-a-real-trend-against-pesticide-bans-victories-against-terrorists-our-children-are-safe-when-pesticide-bans-are-stopped-2012-10-11/>

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