Excerpt from the April 22, 2025, Council Meeting Minutes

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay Seconded by: Councillor Hope

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information and consideration the following recommendation from the Agricultural Advisory Committee dated March 20, 2025:

THAT the Agricultural Advisory Committee requests Council to direct Communication Staff to create a Communication Campaign on information regarding abandoned orchards and giant hog weed;

AND THAT the Agricultural Advisory Committee requests Council to direct Staff to advise the Committee on the most recent complaints regarding abandoned orchards. CARRIED

AND THAT Council directs Communication Staff to create a Communication Campaign on information regarding abandoned orchards and giant hog weed;

AND THAT Council directs Staff to advise the Committee on the most recent complaints regarding abandoned orchards.

The motion is Carried

Communication from Staff regarding direction from Council

Hi Gail,

I wanted to reach out and let you know what we've been up to regarding our communications for Wild Chervil/Giant Hogweed in the Town. We've included information in the last few E-newsletters we've sent out, and we also included it in a print newsletter that went out to all residents in the Town earlier this year. I understand that the issue is getting worse, but hopefully some newer residents have learned about it through our efforts and have been able to do some preventative maintenance.

Please let the Ag Committee know, and if there is any additional outreach you'd like us to do on any topics, please let us know! We have a print newsletter that will be going out next month to residents that we could potentially include some information in.

Have a great night,



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