



Annual General Meeting & Spring Forum

Thursday, May 11, 2023 1:30-4:30 PM

Mabbett Hall, Port Coquitlam Community Center

2150 Wilson Avenue, Coquitlam, BC

Minutes

Attendance: 41 people (32 voting members)

1:00 PM Meeting opens

1:40 PM Meeting Begins – Welcome & Introduction

1:45 PM ***Update on Spotted Lanternfly – The Next Big Invader?***

Tracy Hueppelsheuser, Entomologist, Plant and Animal Health Branch British Columbia
Ministry of Agriculture and Food

2:08 PM ***Comparison of English holly management methods in Redwood Park, Surrey*** Jocelyn
Herbert, Natural Areas Technician, City of Surrey

ISCMV AGM

(Voting was done by show of hands.)

Meeting Chair: Ken Crosby (ISCMV Vice-Chair)

Note-taker: Jillian Stewart

AGM called to order at 2:31 PM

1. Approve 2022 AGM minutes

ISCMV October 5, 2022 Annual General Meeting minutes approved.

2. 2022/23 ISCMV Year-in-review (Tasha Murray)

Overview of ISCMV activities and programs was presented, and is available in 2022 annual report.

3. Presentation of financial statements (Treasurer Scott Walmsley)

2022-2023 Balance Sheet approved as presented; 2022-2023 Profit & Loss statement was not available from the accountant on time, and was not presented at the AGM. 2023-2024 Budget approved as presented.

4. Special Resolution

Special resolution background and rationale was presented to the membership. The membership unanimously voted in favor of adopting the following special resolution:

“Resolved that the constitution (last accepted version filed April 26, 2017) of the Invasive Species Council of Metro Vancouver Society be repealed and replaced by the following:

- To protect the environment by conserving and restoring ecosystems and biodiversity by monitoring, detecting, and managing invasive species.
- To protect the environment by conserving and restoring ecosystems and biodiversity through the provision of technical training on invasive species management to individuals and organizations that deal with or encounter invasive species.
- To advance education in the Metro Vancouver region by providing conferences, workshops, and other educational events on topics related to invasive species management.
- To do all such things as are ancillary and incidental to the attainment of the above charitable purposes.”

5. Recognitions (Tasha Murray)

Recognition and thanks were given to partners, the Board of Directors, 2 outgoing board members (Hélène Marcoux & Gwyn Taylor) and ISCMV Staff (present and outgoing).

6. Election of the 2023-2026 ISCMV Directors (Director Lisa Dreves)

There are 6 Positions open on the Board. We received 4 nominations by the deadline. The following nominees are elected by acclamation for the 2023-26 term:

- Brian Campbell
- Kim Houghton
- Laurie Bates-Frymel
- Paul Cipywnyk

The ISCMV Board of Directors for the next fiscal year are:

Name	Year of Term
Amy Hendel	2 of 3
Brian Campbell	1 of 3
Graham Watson	2 of 3
Julia Alards-Tomalin	3 of 3
Kim Houghton	1 of 3
Ken Crosby	2 of 3
Laurie Bates-Frymel	1 of 3
Lisa Dreves	3 of 3
Matthew Syvenky	2 of 3
Melinda Yong	2 of 3
Paul Cipywnyk	1 of 3
Richard Topp	2 of 3
Scott Walmsley	3 of 3

Executive positions are elected at the next Board meeting.

AGM Closed at 2:50 PM

3:18 PM ***Eco-art with Invasive Plants***

Grace Nombardo, Communication Coordinator for ISCMV & President of Free the Fern Stewardship Society

3:39 PM ***The Glenbrook Ravine Restoration Project - A look at public restoration successes, plant diversity, and recommendations for future restoration management***

Melanie Apps, Prospective Graduate of the Restoration of Natural Systems program, University of Victoria

3:58 PM ***Atmospheric rivers and river invasions: knotweed populations increase in the Chilliwack-Vedder River after the November 2021 floods***

David R. Clements, Assistant Dean of the Faculty of Natural and Applied Sciences, Trinity Western University

4:20 PM Closing comments & Good-bye!