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BOARD OF PESTICIDES CONTROL

Emergency Meeting

February 2, 2024

2:00 PM Board Meeting

MINUTES

Adams, Bohlen, Carlton, Ianni, Lajoie

1. Introductions of Board and Staff

- Staff: Boyd, Brown, Couture, Pietroski, Peacock, Vacchiano
- Assistant Attorney General, Carey Gustanski

2. Select Board Member(s) to Present Testimony before the Agricultural, Conservation and Forestry Committee Regarding CMR 01-026 Chapter 41 Rulemaking

There will be a legislative hearing on Wednesday, February 7, 2024 before the ACF committee regarding LD 2189: Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 41: Special Restrictions on Pesticide Use, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Board of Pesticides Control. It addresses changes made to CMR 01-26 Chapter 41 as a part of the provisionally adopted rulemaking that was accepted on December 1, 2023. The board must vote on representation at the hearing in order to present testimony in support of the bill.

Presentations By: John Pietroski, Acting Director

Action Needed: Discuss and appoint a Board member or members to testify before the Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry Committee

- Pietroski stated that the Board was being asked to appoint an individual to give testimony at the Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry hearing on major substantive changes to CMR 01-26 Chapter 41.

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- Patterson stated it would be good to have Board representation at the hearing in support of the changes.
- The Board discussed that the reasons for making the changes were to bring the rule up to date with the current technology and to take into consideration that there was emerging technology that may need to be regulated in the future.
- There was discussion regarding which Board member could speak in the absence of Jemison, who was the expert on the topic.
 - **Bohlen/Carlton: Moved and seconded to approve Adams and/or Lajoie to speak at the Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry Committee hearing.**
 - **In Favor: Unanimous**

3. Adjourn

- **Carlton/Bohlen: Moved and seconded to adjourn at 2:30 PM**
- **In Favor: Unanimous**