

Subject: RE: North Shore Bear Advocates

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John,

Thank you so much!

This is such an important initiative this season. It makes no sense for our community to only engage in a 'reactionary approach' to management of safety concerns in this District. Now that the most of population of bears dined out on our garbage all last year and some thru out the winter, many of them will not take no for an answer and pose a real threat to humans and pets. This year the Conservation Officers will have to kill some of the worst offenders and try and relocate others but this is costly and could have been avoided with proactive measures undertaken by this Council.

DNV staff have been asked for a bear management report by Council back Dec 13'04 thru Cuthbert's motion but are firm in their stance that they will not recommend by-laws and even suggest that they too costly and illegal. Kamloops, Revelstoke, Lions Bay and Whistler and others don't seem to have a legal issue in their jurisdictions?

Tonight I will be speaking on this motion as it has been delayed for over two months now and public input and Council debate needs to begin in earnest.

Cheers,

Barb

From: John Hunter [mailto:hunterjohn@telus.net]
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Dear all

I support requirements for bear proof garbage containers, not just to save bears, but for safety reasons. One of our neighbours keeps his garbage outside in ordinary cans; not only to we have garbage t spread over lawns and streets, but we have a succession of bears in the neighbourhood, even in daytime. There is a path to the school here. Sooner or later, we will have a tragedy.

Some thought need also be given to bird feeders and fruit trees, but I think garbage is the big issue.

sincerely

John Hunter

