

**LEDUC ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
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REGULAR MINUTES Minutes of the **LEDUC ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD** Regular Meeting held Tuesday, November 14, 2017 at the City of Leduc, Civic Centre, Telford Street Board Room, #1 Alexandra Park, 46 Avenue & 48A Street, Leduc, Alberta

PRESENT: Katie Oliver
Douglas Hube
Brad Beesley
Jill Mitchell
Sheila Ruddy
Jaimee Dupont Morozoff – Conference call
Jennifer Roach
April Strekies

WITH REGRETS: Madeline Robbenhaar
Councillor Lars Hansen
Tyler Dekok
Cory Kartz

ALSO PRESENT: Kerra Chomlak – City Representative
Shirley Weslosky – Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

I. CALL TO ORDER

Katie Oliver called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF
AGENDA**

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

No Items were added to the agenda;

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Motion: It was **Moved** by Doug Hube to approve the November 14, 2017 agenda as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

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III. APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING MINUTES

Motion: It was **Moved** by Doug Hube to accept the regular meeting minutes of October 10, 2017 as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

REPORTS

IV. REPORTS

Chairman's Report

- Fortis is changing street lights in Leduc and you can really see the difference in the change in the lights. The street (road way) is brighter, and the light is not shining in houses anymore like the use to with the old street lights.

Articles distributed to LEAB members

- Albert.ca website – Edmonton's community leagues are partnering with the province to reduce utility bills using solar power.

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- Alberta.ca website – The City of Calgary is saving money and reducing greenhouse gas emissions with support from the Alberta Municipal Solar Program.
- Simon Fraser University is set to start construction on a new biomass plant. The new energy utility will use biomass, recycled urban and construction wood waste as its primary fuel source. The purpose of this plant is to reduce SFU greenhouse gas emissions by 80%.
- CAPP website - Methane plan can cut emissions by 45%, protect 7000 jobs.
- Canadian Wind Energy Association website – Wind farmers and fisherman in Canada repair equipment during the winter months. Wind farmers are harvesting as much power as they can.
- CBC News website - Textiles are the next frontier in recycling for cities looking to cut waste. A recent study conducted in Ontario concluded 85 per cent of discarded textiles ended up in a landfill site, meaning just 15 per cent are recycled or reused. H&M Clothing store in Edmonton recycles textiles.
- Website – Washington Residents are warned their recyclables will end up in landfills. China will only accept products that have a 0.3 percent contamination rate, something industry groups said is “virtually unattainable.”
- EPA website shows examples on how to improve business waste and recycling program in Griffin Georgia. One way to improve businesses to recycle was to tell businesses they could join the city collection program but they had to recycle. Increased public education and program promotion.
- EPA Website – In Athens Georgia - If down town wanted the City to pick up the garbage then it had to be in clear bags for them to pick up, this allows the collection company to ensure there is only garbage in the bag. The collection cost is a dollar a bag.
- EPA Website - There was a kick off challenge in Clark County schools to collect plastic bags for recycling with the top producing school receiving a bench made from the composite lumber provided by a company called Trex.
- Website – How 5 local governments just expanded their recycling programs. San Francisco has been one of the earliest and most ambitious adopters of new recycling programs in an effort to reach its goal of “zero waste” by 2020.

Council's Report

- Councillor Lars Hansen will be on the LEAB board. He had mentioned to Kerra that two topics he heard about during his campaign were renewable energy and the East Telford & Sanders Lake land uses.

Administration's Report

- Lars Hansen is the new Councillor on the LEAB board and there will be three new board members.
- Solar display will be put up at the LRC for residents to view.
- LEAB was encouraged to watch the Edmonton's New Climate Change Initiative video <https://changeformclimate.ca/>

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- Integrated pest management (IPM) workshop was held in the City of Leduc.

ACTION Kerra Chomlak: The IPM report will be sent to LEAB members.

- The LEAB budget was presented to the board. \$1,600 remains in the budget. Options discussed included:
- LEAB would like to purchase some bee houses for giveaways in 2018.
- LEAB would like to purchase flower seed packages to hand out in 2018.
- 2018 budget LEAB would like to purchase a really good telescope for Dark sky displays.

ACTION Shirley Weslosky: Check Alberta Dark Skies website for telescopes.

**APPROVAL OF
REPORTS**

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V. APPROVAL OF REPORTS

Motion: It was **Moved** by Sheila Ruddy to accept the above noted reports for information purposes only.

MOTION CARRIED

**INFORMATION
ITEM**

VI. INFORMATION ITEMS

- Doug Hube will contact East Elementary School regarding their yard lights.

**UNFINISHED
BUSINESS**

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Light Pollution Abatement

- No update – an education campaign for businesses will be discussed in 2018.

B. Toxic and E-waste Roundup – Update

- 345 vehicles attended & 170 residents put their name in for the draw.
- 144 electronics and 9 bins of paint were collected this year. Last year 125 electronics and 6 bins of paint were collected.
- IPad was won by Albin Danylak

C. Festival of Trees November 18 & 19, 2017

- LEAB members can set up the tree at the LRC on Friday November 17, 2017 at 4:30 p.m. Jaimee and Katie will be attending.
- LEAB brochures and bird count pamphlets will be on display at the festival of trees.

D. Bird Count – December 17, 2017

- December 6, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. bird preliminary meeting at the library by Andy Tait, showing different birds in Alberta.
- There is no electronic online bird tally form this year. You can get a copy of the bird tally form on the City of Leduc website or pick one up at the Civic Centre.

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NEW BUSINESS

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Council Presentation for waste at businesses and multi-family homes.

- Council presentation date for LEAB is planned for March 30, 2017.

Action Kerra Chomlak: Check the Council date as March 30 is Easter/Spring break and LEAB would like a different date.

Action Kerra Chomlak: Let LEAB know the process of the sandblasting material disposal at the landfill.

- There is more waste coming from businesses than residential.
- A sample power point was presented to LEAB.
- Suggestions: add a case study, share success stories from other Municipalities in the context of what would work in Leduc for waste, recycling and organics.

B. Proposed meeting dates for 2018

- Change June 5, 2018 to June 12, 2018
- Change October 9, 2018 to October 16, 2018
- Change November 13, 2018 to November 20, 2018

These meeting dates will be approved at the January 2018 meeting.

C. December 12, 2017 meeting at the Best Western Denham Inn, Leduc, AB 5207- 50 Avenue. LEAB would like to have dinner at 6:00 p.m. meeting at 7:00 p.m.

OPEN DISCUSSION

IX. OPEN DISCUSSION

- Public open house on the East Telford Lake area structure plan will be held on November 23, 2017.

ADJOURNMENT

X. ADJOURNMENT

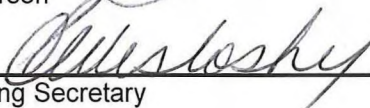
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Motion: it was Moved by Sheila Ruddy to adjourn the meeting at 8:44 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED



Chairperson



Recording Secretary