

**FCSS Advisory Board  
February 22, 2022  
Meeting Minutes**

**MEMBERS:** L. Sawchuk (*Chair*), A. Boyle (*Vice-Chair*), Councillor R. Pollard (*Leduc City Council*), Councillor B. Hamilton (*Leduc City Council Alternate*), C. Taylor, J. Kretzer-Prysunka, K. Eichelt, M. Bryson, A. Ulrickson (*City Liaison*)

**PRESENT:** L. Sawchuk, A. Boyle, R. Pollard, J. Kretzer-Prysunka, K. Eichelt, M. Bryson, A. Ulrickson, R. Martens

**GUESTS:** No Guest

**ABSENT:** C. Taylor

**RECORDER:** R. Martens

AGENDA ITEM		DISCUSSION	ACTION
1.0	CALL TO ORDER	L. Sawchuk called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.	
2.0	GUEST		
2.1	No Guest		
3.0	REVIEW		
3.1	Agenda	<b>Moved by A. Boyle, seconded by J. Kretzer</b> That the agenda be accepted as presented.  <b>Motion carried unanimously.</b>	
3.2	Previous Minutes	<b>Moved by A. Boyle, seconded by J. Kretzer-Prysunka</b> That the minutes of the FCSS Advisory Board meeting held, Tuesday, January 25, 2022, be approved as presented.  <b>Motion carried unanimously.</b>	
3.3	Action Items	There was no Action Item for discussion.	
3.4	Round Table	Round table discussion and update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Councillor R Pollard shared some information from the Council meeting. Some highlights are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Council is following the provincial lead on lifting capacity restrictions.</li> <li>➤ Unprecedented year for snow removal – due to large amount of snow the Leduc snow removal crews</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

changed to a 24-hour, 6 days a week schedule to keep up with snow clearing in residential areas faster. With all the local roads cleared, the schedule went back to the 12-hour schedule for the winter season starting February 7, 2022.

- RCMP report overall persons crimes are down, property crimes are down, and other crimes are up.
- A survey went out asking for input on the City's approach to public engagement and responses will be used to help form a Public Engagement Framework.
- Citizen of Distinction Awards – please consider submitting nomination
- Currently, there is a Public Engagement in regards to the implementation of a provincial police force.
- An update from the Economic Development in the City indicated that there is increased industrial growth in the past year.
- There is a plan to demolish the old Covenant Health office building at Grant MacEwan University and build a Wellness Hub – Phase 1 will be for outpatient clinic for Grey Nuns; Phase 2 is for multigenerational housing market - senior's independent living, affordable housing, expansion to other business identified needs.
- The City of Edmonton and the Federal Government announced two projects to increase affordable housing options by repurposing two former hotels in Edmonton with a budget of 14.8 M: The Days Inn on University Ave which will be operated by the Mustard Seed, and the Sands Hotel on Fort Road which will be home for indigenous people.
- The Alberta Economic Recovery Plan under Building for the Future announced 20.7 million available funding directed towards Infrastructure Projects, 5.9 million of which going to Municipalities. The City of Leduc has great support and relationships with the provincial government and the airport road plan received support.
- Uncertainties around COVID restrictions being lifted by the provincial government.
- Mix feelings around masking issues and reaction from

		<p>people who are against masking.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Some residents' concern raised around coyotes incidences around the area. Fish and Wild Life is responsible to attend to reports involving wild animals.</li> <li>• The scooter pilot project will proceed.</li> <li>• Report icy walkways through the SeeClickFix app.</li> <li>• Struggles with hiring disability support workers.</li> <li>• The Surge Youth Drop-in Centre is looking to connect to more youth in Leduc and asking for support to promote it. They are located at the Go Centre.</li> </ul>	
<b>4.0</b>	<b>OLD BUSINESS</b>		
4.1	Homelessness Task Force	<p>The Homeless and Poverty Prevention Task Force update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Background: The contractor's research showed that in Leduc there are 20 homeless individuals and 480 house/families living well below the poverty line;</li> <li>• 12 key strategies were identified; some are short, middle, and long-term strategies</li> <li>• 4 Key Areas directly related to homelessness and poverty prevention are: access to services, housing, mental health and addictions, and food security. The contractor will be presenting strategies to address each of these areas.</li> <li>• Framework draft will be presented to Council on March 21<sup>st</sup></li> <li>• In Leduc, there is a shortage of single/bachelor/1-bedroom housing available.</li> <li>• Transitional Housing – “bridge” housing for a person while preparing to become or move into independent or subsidized housing. Support workers are available to provide resources to an individual until a permanent housing is identified and setting that person up towards independence and success.</li> </ul>	Invite Leduc Regional Housing Foundation to make presentation to the Board on how they operate and if possible a site visit.
<b>5.0</b>	<b>NEW BUSINESS</b>		
5.1	Summary of Final Reports for Grants To Organizations (GTO) and Community Supports	<p>A. Ulrickson provided a summary and answered all of the questions from the Board.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Board would like to see how the Leduc Regional Food</li> </ul>	R. Martens to arrange a site visit at Leduc Regional Food Bank.

		<p>Bank operates.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Guideline for GTO applications – Must be a non-profit organization and Board use score card to assess qualification.</li> </ul>	<p>A. Ulrickson to provide information about fundraising contracts for Linx and LCLA? Do they compete?</p> <p>A. Ulrickson to provide funding criteria and difference between GTO, Parks, Recreation and Culture (PRC), and Community Supports.</p>
5.2	Citizen of Distinction Awards Selection Committee	Motion to appoint J. Kretzer-Presunka and L. Sawchuk as back-up. Motion by A. Boyle, seconded by R. Pollard. Carried.	
5.3	Agenda/Calendar for the Year:	<p>Tabled to next meeting: Presentation to COW or Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Budget 10 Presentations/Site Visits</li> <li>GTO Grant Applications</li> <li>2021 Priority Planning</li> <li>FCSS Staff Presentations</li> </ul>	
<b>6.0</b>	<b>CORRESPONDENCE</b>	<b>No Correspondence</b>	
6.1	FCSSAA Newsletter	No discussion.	
<b>7.0</b>	<b>MEETING ADJOURNMENT</b>		
7.1	Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.	
<b>8.0</b>	<b>NEXT MEETING</b>	<b>No discussion</b>	
8.1	Next Meeting	The next meeting is on March 22, 2022, at 6 PM; Location to be announced.	

Respectfully submitted,

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L. Sawchuk  
Vice-Chair

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Rhodora Martens  
Recording Secretary