

**LEDUC ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
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**REGULAR MINUTES** Minutes of the **LEDUC ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD** Regular Meeting held Tuesday, May 9, 2017 at the City of Leduc, Civic Centre, Telford Street Board Room, #1 Alexandra Park, 46 Avenue & 48A Street, Leduc, Alberta

**PRESENT:** Councillor Beverly Beckett  
Katie Oliver  
Madeline Robbenhaar  
Jill Mitchell  
Cory Kartz  
Sheila Ruddy  
Tyler Dekok

**WITH REGRETS:** Jaimee Dupont Morozoff  
Douglas Hube  
Brad Beesley

**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 7:03 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Items were added to the agenda;

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**Motion:** It was **Moved** by Tyler Dekok to approve the May 9, 2017 agenda as circulated.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

23/2017

**III. APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING MINUTES**

**Motion:** It was **Moved** by Tyler Dekok to accept the regular meeting minutes of April 11, 2017 as circulated.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**REPORTS**

**IV. REPORTS**

**Chairman's Report**

- May 8, 2017 Katie Oliver did a presentation to Council about LEAB. Council appreciates what everyone in LEAB is doing.  
Articles distributed to LEAB members
- St. Albert Gazette, Native bees need help - Members of the 2nd St. Albert Scouts used the instructions on the Edmonton and Area Land Trust website (ealt.ca) to build and distribute bee hotels to the St. Albert Botanic Park and to members of St. Albert City Council.
- Alberta Farmer Express – Farmers are setting up operation pollinator sites one to two acres of low productivity on their farms. The goal of the program is to plant wildflower seeds to establish and maintain new pollinator-friendly habitat over the long term. Farmers wishing to sign up can visit the SCCC website [www.soilcc.ca](http://www.soilcc.ca).

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- It was mentioned to Council that LEAB is planting the pollinator garden on June 5, 2017. LEAB was encouraged to write a letter to change the animal licensing and control bylaw for bee hotels in Leduc.
- Edmonton has been selected to host a first-ever international conference in March 2018 that looks at how cities can play a role in addressing climate change.
- Edmonton Journal – Leduc County nears decision on controversial gun range.
- Leduc REP - Saunders Lake bylaws receive second reading from Leduc County council.

**Council's Report**

- Council is realizing that the bee situation is happening all over Canada. It would be good to contact 2nd Leduc Scout Association to become involved in bee houses. Present to Council and let them know the time has come to allow bee houses in Leduc.
- Bee presentation will be held on May 17, 2017 at the Public Library at 6:30 p.m.
- Councillor Beverly Beckett congratulated Katie Oliver for winning the Citizens of Distinction Environmental Achievement Award 2017.

**Administration's Report**

- The Environmental Progress Report was presented to Council in May. This is the fifth year of the progress report plan, this is what was presented:
  - The LRC and OPS building solar project was a real milestone for the City. There will be an exhibit put up in the LRC explaining the solar program to residents.
  - Blue bag tonnage has gone down due to the usage of technology, and less phone books, paper, etc. in the waste stream.
  - Enhancing our natural areas with the Spring and Christmas Bird Count. .
  - Managing our water resources
  - Energy conservation – reducing our carbon footprint
- Air monitor has been placed at the dog park
- Integrated pest management plan is being developed and addresses invasive species and weed control.
- Green House Gas Inventory is complete.

**Action Kerra:** Kerra Chomlak will present on the tonnage of GHG from the City as a whole and how does it compare to federal reporting requirements.

**APPROVAL OF  
REPORTS**

**24/2017**

**V. APPROVAL OF REPORTS**

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

**INFORMATION  
ITEM**

**VI. INFORMATION ITEMS**

- No information items

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**UNFINISHED  
BUSINESS**

**VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**A. Citizens of Distinction Environmental Achievement Award 2017**

- Katie Oliver was the winner of this award.

**B. Light Pollution Abatement**

- Move to the next meeting

**C. Telford Pollinator Garden Planting Event June 5, 2017**

- This planting event will take place on the north side of Telford Gardens with LEAB, CIB, LWCS at 3:00 p.m. they will be planting 20 trees and 20 shrubs to attract pollinators.

**D. Million Pollinator Garden Challenge**

- The Million Pollinator Garden Challenge will take place in March 2018.
- 2017 LEAB will plant the pollinator garden
- Hand out seeds to residents at special events to encourage them to plant a pollinator garden.
- Have residents register for the official pollinator garden challenge

**E. Sustainability Torch Grande Prairie "Unearth Your Greatness" 2018**

- Based on the dinosaurs, open ceremonies will be at the museum.
- LEAB would like to see the torch handed over being a combination of a pollinator garden with a bee hotel.

**Action Sheila Ruddy:** Look for pictures of bee houses to send to LEAB members.

**Action Tyler Dekok:** Look at Grand Prairie's bylaw to see if they allow bee hotels in their city.

**F. East Telford Lake Area Structure Plan (ASP Stakeholder Group)**

- Brad Beesley will be attending as a stakeholder member and Cory Kartz will be the alternate member. The consultation will be held in June.

**G. Arbour Day Itinerary - May 13, 2017 (11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.)**

- LEAB members will arrive at 10:30 a.m.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

- No New Business

**OPEN DISCUSSION**

**IX. OPEN DISCUSSION**

Dates to remember;

- Bumble Bee presentation is at the Leduc Library May 17, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. by LWCS

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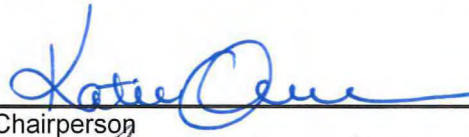
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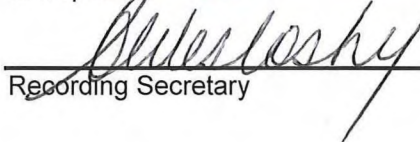
**Motion: it was Moved** by Madeline Robbenhaar to adjourn the meeting at 8:11 p.m.

**MOTION CARRIED**



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Chairperson



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Recording Secretary