

**LEDUC ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
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REGULAR MINUTES Minutes of the **LEDUC ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD** Regular Meeting held Tuesday, November 9, 2021 via GoToMeeting, Leduc, AB.

PRESENT: Wendy Yule
Lynne Chalmers
Ngaire Nix
Sheila Ruddy
Mindy Paradis
Councillor Lars Hansen
Jennifer Roach
Benjamin McDonald
John Stevens

WITH REGRETS: Brittany Onsyk

ALSO PRESENT: Shelby Lowe – City Representative
Jenna Chernuka – City Representative
Keri Nelson – Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER **I. CALL TO ORDER**

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA **II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

34/2021

Motion: It was **Moved** by Ngaire to approve the November 9, 2021 agenda. **MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES **III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

35/2021

Motion: It was **Moved** by Mindy to accept the amended meeting minutes of October 19, 2021 as circulated. **MOTION CARRIED**

SAFETY MOMENT **IV. SAFETY MOMENT**
Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) Awareness

- October is Heart attack awareness month.
- AED's are available more and more in community setting you will find them in grocery stores, gyms, hockey arenas and many small businesses. Early use of an AED can increase survival by up to 75% when combined with Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR).
- Early access to CPR and AED (1 to 3 minutes after cardiac arrest is vital.) These actions may increase the chance of survival by 75% or more.
- Heart & Stoke survey shows 40,000 cardiac arrests each year. That works out to be 1 in every 12 minutes, chances of survival are greatly increased if an AED is used

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- AED are very easy to use and can be safely used without training, they have stickers and pictures along with visual and audio prompts that tell the person what to do and how to operate the AED. The AED will analyze the heart condition and then will tell you when it is going to shock.
- Legislation is in place that protect individuals from being liable if you are savings someone's life.

V. REPORTS

A. Chair's Report

- Chair virtually attended the 2021 Zero Waste Conference.
- Speakers included Scientists, Futurists and Business people,
- Discussion was focused around the circular economy and food waste reduction.

B. Council's Report

- Few minor things updated to the Deer Valley structure plan.
- Clean energy improvement program funding approved
- Swearing in November 1, 2021
- Strategic planning meeting February 26, 2022
- New councilor Ryan Pollard
- Lars door knocked a lot in his campaign this year. Residents questions were more so about the environment than any year previous.

REPORTS

ACTION: LEAB to update council on what has been happening, what is coming up in the future. Media release would be good. Ben keep in mind for Green House Gas subcommittee discuss in next meeting.

C. Administration's Report

- Exciting news as Shelby is going on mat leave mid-February and big welcome to Jenna, she will be taking over for Shelby in February.
- Christmas party in person or virtual- LEAB would like it to be in person abiding by all the AHS restriction protocols.
- January is the organizational meeting, chair and co-chair vote in
- February back into regular routine and perhaps at that point could invite planning into speak to us.
- Nothing back from Elana yet on Sub Committee
- Welcome to Jenna she is the Environment Inspector for the City of Leduc. Currently overseeing Hens and Bees and overlooking the Wetland replacement program.

ACTION: Keri and Shelby plan the December in person meeting.

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**APPROVAL OF
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VI. APPROVAL OF REPORTS

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

MOTION CARRIED

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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BUSINESS**

A. Coal Policy - Update

- Meeting Nov 1 waiting on Provincial Government Coal Policy review committee report due on November 15th, this was promised to be put out to the public 2 weeks later. Wait to read that and then likely meet as a group to discuss.
- In the meantime, encouraging citizens to send emails to their MLA
- Action was while they wait they will write letters to MLA's and the Minister of energy

B. Spraying fertilizer, pesticides, herbicides and Pollinator Garden Challenge – Sub-committee update

- Waiting for budget meeting to see if request is approved to put forward the survey. If approved would like to conduct and roll out the survey early in the New Year.
- After December 13/21 a sub-committee meeting will be set up to discuss.

C. Green House Gas (GHG) Plan and The Clean Energy Improvement Program (CEIP) – Update from sub-committee

- Grant has been approved, summarize the report for council.
- CEIP's hope is to launch to the public early April. There is a lot of administrative work to be done with the funding, the home owners and contractors.
- Leduc is included in the second cohort of approvals for this program. Rocky was included in the first and have just launched last week. Go to myceip.ca to see the details of what Rocky has been doing.
- It can take upwards of 6 months to launch the program after approval.
- City has been talking about the E scooters and what that would look like

Pilot project in the future perhaps

November 15/21 this is going to council if interested next step is public engagement on November 30/21 to get initial feedback from the public. Once council approves this will be on the radar for 2022 in regards to next steps and discussion.

D. Dark Skies – Update from sub-committee

- Nothing in the Rep as of yet.
- Library is all set up
- No committee meeting or update as of late.

E. Single Use Plastics – Update

- Waiting to see where Federal Government goes with this

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- Making progress of July news release where municipalities have banned single use. Encouraging municipalities to implement single use plastics.
- Thoughts on proceeding to council with an update and to move forward with the updated Municipal Plan

[Municipalities empowered to ban single-use plastics | BC Gov News](#)

[Province takes aim at banning problem plastics | BC Gov News](#)

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Leduc Wildlife Conservation Society (LWCS) Buffers and Berms
- Jon Stevens presented to LEAB
 - Please see attached document on behalf of John for viewing

ACTION: Keri to Follow up with Andy Tait

- B. Festival of Trees
- Still on radar if we can still do it. No update as of yet.

ACTION: Keri to follow up

- C. December Meeting
- Plan for in person at Kosmos Board Room

- D. 2021 Citizens' of Distinction – nominate someone by February- think about who we want to nominate for that.
- One great option is the Leduc Co-op they are doing a great job diverting all of their organics. They reduced their waste collection from weekly to every 3 weeks. Trimmings from fruit and veggies are collected by GFL, edible food is donated to Leduc hub and the food bank. Salad in plastic boxes are donated to farmers who will come to the store to collect them and feed to their livestock.
 - Wendy has offered to fill out the application and will go talk to manager at the co-op to get more information.

ACTION: Shelby – link for application and process

ACTION: Shelby – Find out if LEAB can possibly be on the selection committee

**NEW
BUSINESS**

IX. OPEN DISCUSSION

LWCS Presentation

- Request for an expert opinion on this area.
- Supporting data is a must before LEAB will go to Council on this matter
- Does LEAB want to create another Sub-Committee to work alongside LWCS and report back to the board as a whole on the progress.

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- Funding approval for an expert was discussed.

**OPEN
DISCUSSION**

ACTION: Shelby find the Wildlife report with the U of A that was done in this area.

ACTION: Shelby to invite a development officer from City of Leduc planning department to present to LEAB on Telford area. (March)

X. FUTURE TOPICS

- Hens and bees pilot project
- Business and multi-family (ICI/MF) recycling and organics diversion
- Urban tree removal and replacement policy/bylaw

XI. ADJOURMENT

Motion: it was **Moved** by Jenn to adjourn the meeting at 9 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

**ADJOURNMENT
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XII. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held in person with a virtual option on December 14, 2021



NEXT MEETING

Chairperson



Recording Secretary