

**LEDUC ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2021
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REGULAR MINUTES Minutes of the **LEDUC ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD** Regular Meeting held Tuesday, September 14, 2021 via GoToMeeting, Leduc, AB.

PRESENT:

Councillor Lars Hansen
Benjamin McDonald
Wendy Yule
Lynne Chalmers
Ngairé Nix
Jennifer Roach
Brittany Onysyk

WITH REGRETS:

Sheila Ruddy
Mindy Paradis

ALSO PRESENT:

Shelby Lowe – City Representative
Shirley Weslosky – Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

I. CALL TO ORDER

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

**APPROVAL OF
AGENDA**

30/2021

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: It was **Moved** by Jennifer Roach to approve the September 14, 2021 agenda as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

31/2021

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion: It was **Moved** by Lynne Chalmers to accept the regular meeting minutes of June 8, 2021 as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

**SAFETY
MOMENT**

IV. SAFETY MOMENT

- With Children back at school be extra careful when driving your vehicle.
- Carpool will help to reduce the number of cars in the school parking lot.
- Try to park where you can see children, and do not have blind spots.
- Avoid parking on busy road ways to drop off children.
- Walk around your vehicle to ensure no kids are there
- Observe school zone speeds.
- Yield to pedestrians in school zones and crossing guards.
- Obey all rules and regulations when you are approaching a school bus.

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REPORTS

V. REPORTS

A. Chair's Report

- The Youth Council clean up at Fred Johns Park was very successful, lots of people participated.
- Bioengineering Workshop with Associated Environmental will be held on Tuesday, September 28 from 8:30 am – 1:00 pm. LEAB is encouraged to attend.

B. Council's Report

- Council has passed a motion for a fund to go towards The Edmonton Metro Region. These funds combined with other municipalities will help to have more flights and create jobs.
- There were 1356 trees planted this year in our community.
 - Tree replacement tender 256 large caliper trees planted in Meadowview, Hwy 39 and a few other locations
 - Arbour Day 640 seedlings / saplings at Lions park (northside of Telford lake)
 - Scouts Canada planted 500 seedlings along the new golf course multiway in the natural stand.
 - Leduc Wildlife Conservation Society planted 60 spruce trees at the east end of Telford lake to go with our naturalization of the area.
- City of Leduc on Demand Transit is now available.
- The Federal Election is September 20, 2021 and the Municipal Election is October 18, 2021. Everyone is encouraged to vote.

C. Administration's Report

- Council gave the Parks Department \$20,000.00 for tree planting this year.
- The 2020 Progress Report is now on our website.
- LWCS has reached out to the City of Leduc regarding Berms and Buffers around Telford Lake and may escalate their concerns to LEAB or Council next.
- LEAB has \$4000.00 left in the budget. LEAB suggested that we do up some no spraying signs for next year or purchase gifts for next years Pollinator Garden Challenge.

**APPROVAL OF
REPORTS**

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VI. APPROVAL OF REPORTS

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

MOTION CARRIED

**UNFINISHED
BUSINESS**

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Coal Policy - Update

- There was an Alberta Government Coal Policy link https://your.alberta.ca/coal-policy-committee/news_feed/update-from-the-committee-july was sent

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to LEAB members. LEAB were encouraged to read the submissions on the website as there are some interesting ones.

- The Alberta Beyond Coal Website has good updates.

B. Spraying fertilizer, pesticides, herbicides in Leduc – Sub-committee update

- No update

Action: Shirley will set up a Pesticide sub-committee meeting.

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

- Bird E-scooters are very keen on doing a pilot project in Leduc. The City of Leduc Administration are putting together a report for Executive to consider a pilot project in Leduc, at no cost to the City.
- CEIP pilot project – the City is expecting to hear whether the grant was approved by mid-October at the earliest.

Action: Shirley will set up a GHG sub-committee meeting.

Action: Shelby will look into the on demand busing stats for LEAB.

D. Dark Skies – Update from sub-committee

- Doug Hube would like to submit articles on Dark Skies to the Leduc REP paper.
- Shall we as the board endorse Doug to place articles in the REP? This question will be discussed at the next sub-committee meeting.

Action: Shirley will set up a Dark Skies sub-committee meeting.

E. Pollinator Garden – Update

- In 2021 we had 16 residents enter the Pollinator Garden Challenge.
- LEAB suggest that the Pollinator Garden sub-committee collaborate with the Pesticides sub-committee in the future.

F. Single Use Plastics – Update

- LEAB want to wait until after the Federal Election results and get together after the Election.

**NEW
BUSINESS**

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Guest speaker Elana Hansen, City of Leduc Resource Administrator

- Volunteer Leduc has a data base of over 1100 people.
- They are working on a volunteer management software that residents can see what the volunteering positions are all about.
- We have skilled volunteers that may be interested in LEAB programs.
- If you have any ideas for LEAB she would like you to call on her to help out when volunteers are needed.
- LEAB are interested in having a Volunteer to teach children in school how to sort waste.

**OPEN
DISCUSSION**

IX. OPEN DISCUSSION

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- Collaborating with the Leduc Wildlife Conservation Society (LWCS) and Leduc Naturalist Society
 - LEAB would like to invite LWCS and Leduc Naturalist Society to one of our meetings to let them know what we are working on and find out what they are working on to see if we can work together on any projects.

Action: Shirley will invite Andy Tait to one of our future LEAB meetings and Wendy will reach out to the LWCS.

- Christmas Meeting will be discussed at a future meeting.

Motion: It was **Moved** by Lynne Chalmers to have a hybrid meeting on October 19, 2021.

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

**ADJOURNMENT
33/2021**

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: it was **Moved** by Brittany Onysyk to adjourn the meeting at 8:49 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

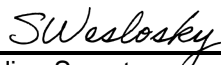
NEXT MEETING

XII. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on October 19, 2021



Chairperson



Recording Secretary