

**LEDUC ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 9, 2023
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REGULAR MINUTES Minutes of the LEDUC ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD Regular Meeting held Tuesday, May 9, 2023 Telford Street Boardroom, Civic Center.

PRESENT: Wendy Yule
Mindy Paradis
Councilor Ryan Pollard
Councilor Lars Hansen
James Turner
James Kollmar
Benjamin McDonald
Alena Mazur
Mitch Wincentaylo
Kiann McNiell
Taylor Berry
Chirstine Issac

WITH REGRETS: Ngaire Nix
Kala Raymond

ALSO PRESENT: Alysha Laviolette – Recording Secretary
Jenna Chernuka – City Representative
Michael Hancharyk – City Representative

CALL TO ORDER

I. CALL TO ORDER

Wendy Yule called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF
AGENDA**

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MOTION: It was Moved by Mindy to approve the May 9, 2023, Agenda.

MOTION CARRIED

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

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MOTION: It was Moved by Alena to accept the meeting minutes of April 11, 2023, as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

REPORTS

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- **Chair's Report**

- Participated in LWCS's Earth Day cleanup at Telford Lake on April 22, 2023.
- Spoke at a Communities in Bloom judges training session April 29, 2023 re: The Challenges at the Municipal Level of Mitigating Climate Change.
- Received confirmation from Vulcraft that their employees will be participating in Leduc's Arbour Day June 3, 2023.

- **Council's Report**

- Census is still on going.
- The City is soliciting public feedback for budget planning process. The link is on our website.
- Transportation master plan is live.
- This week is emergency preparedness week.
- Friday was red dress day, there was an event held at the Maclab Theater.
- Street sweeping is ongoing.
- Construction season is upon us, the biggest obstacle is the North Bond On Ramp to the QEII is closed.
- The city is promoting the clean energy improvement program.
- The rodeo is coming up at the end of the month.
- This month there is the Mocktails and Mounties event.
- Two new events this summer, Summer in The City and Escape Park Slam.
- E-Scooters are back.
- Last month the city was promoting a 9pm routine to make sure your car is locked etc.

- **Administration's Report**

- There are some new staffing changes with Shelby's return to work! She will be present at the June meeting and resuming her role as Administrative liaison.

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- The Business Expo was a major success!
- Arbour Day is June 3rd, 2023. LEAB will have a table set up to promote initiatives and engage with residents.
- On Monday May 15th, Wendy will be presenting to Council on the following:
 - *Annual update to Council summarizing last year's progress and key areas of focus for the coming year.*
 - *Hens & Bees pilot program outcome and recommendations.*
 - *Pesticide survey results and recommendations.*

- **Presentation From Mitch Wincentaylo**

- Mitch Wincentaylo is a consultant working to support the City in actualizing goals set out in its Treaty, Truth, and ReconciliACTION initiative.
- Mitch presented to the board to engage members on this topic and spark discussion.
- Members expressed an interest around incorporating Indigenous ceremonies of the land into environmental projects.
- Regarding truth and reconciliation, Mitch reiterated that doing something and making a mistake is better than not trying at all. And he recommended exploring the Yellowhead Tribal College as a resource to learn more.

- **Pesticide Education Campaign discussion with Communications and Marketing Services**

- LEAB is recommending that Council task Administration with the development and implementation of a pesticide education campaign.
- Communications and Marketing Services Director Kiann McNeill spoke to the board regarding the process of building an education campaign and the role her team could play in supporting this LEAB initiative. She encouraged board members to focus on what the objectives of the campaign are before diving into how to achieve them.
- The campaign will focus on pest/pesticide definitions, safe and effective pesticide use, and alternative methods to pest control.
- Research will include exploring initiatives in other jurisdictions.

APPROVAL OF REPORTS

MOTION: It was moved by James T to accept the above noted reports for information purposes only.

MOTION CARRIED

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Actionable Initiatives

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**UNFINISHED
BUSINESS**

- **Pollinators and Pesticides**
 - This item was discussed following the presentation from Communications and Marketing Services.
- **Telford Berms and Buffers**
 - The board would like to seek advice from local Indigenous communities (land consultation).
- **Light Efficiency Community**
 - Reviewed James Kollmar's slide show highlighting the differences in light pollution between Strathcona County and Leduc.
 - Decided during recent subcommittee meeting, that LEAB would like to have another Dark Skies display at the library.
 - Looking to find a business champion open to implementing downcast lighting, along with other recommendations, and modelling these changes for other organizations.
- **Environmental Plan**
 - Contract has been awarded to Urban Systems.

Topics to Monitor

- **Watershed and Coal Policy**
 - No update.
- **Single Use Plastic**
 - No update.
- **Tree Protection – Policy/Bylaw**
 - No update.
- **Green House Gas Plan/CEIP**
 - Mo Update.
- **Waste Management – Business (ICI) and Multi-Unit (MU) Waste Diversion**
 - Public engagement and stake holder engagement will be starting soon.
- **Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR)**

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- No update.

NEW BUSINESS

- **June Dinner**

- Dinner will be ordered in, and the meeting will be held in the Telford Street Boardroom as usual.

OPEN DISCUSSION

- **Business expo**

- There was great turnout at the event. Lots of excitement around the door prize and engagement around LEAB initiatives.
- Really impactful. Sharing information and the reason behind why the board does what it does, helps to get people involved.

**NEW
BUSINESS**

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: it was moved by James T to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 p.m.

**OPEN
DISCUSSION**

MOTION CARRIED

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on June 13, 2023 Telford Street Board Room



Chair



Recording Secretary

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