

**LEDUC ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 09, 2024
TELFORD STREET BOARDROOM, CIVIC CENTER
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REGULAR MINUTES Minutes of the LEDUC ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD Regular Meeting held Tuesday, April 09, 2024 Telford Street Boardroom, Civic Center.

PRESENT: Mindy Paradis
James Kollmar
James Turner
Ngaire Nix
Benjamin McDonald
Councilor Lars Hansen

WITH REGRETS: Alena Mazur
Councilor Ryan Pollard
Kala Raymond
Wendy Yule

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

CALL TO ORDER

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mindy Paradis called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m.

**APPROVAL OF
AGENDA**

17/2024

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: It was Moved by Lars to approve the April 09, 2024, Agenda.

MOTION CARRIED

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

18/2024

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: It was Moved by James T to accept the meeting minutes of March 12, 2024, as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

REPORTS

Chair's Report

- No report

Council's Report

- Passed several motions regarding EV chargers.
- 65th ave project is ramping up again.
- First reading of the property tax bylaw is April 22
- Put a bid in for the Telus Cup

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- Passed the first reading for redistricting for Southfork Stage 15

Administration's Report

- Hired new Environmental Project Manager
- iNaturalist, City Nature Challenge.
 - Find Wildlife, take a recording, share on iNaturalist table for next year, members encouraged to sign up
 - Table for next year.
- Navigable Water Act: This is related to the Leduc Business Park Development. It sounds like they are preparing for construction of a storm pond with a line that would release into Telford Lake (similar to other outfalls currently present around the lake). Its sounds like Stantec is overseeing this work. I have asked our designated Engineering Project Manager to gather any and all pertinent environment information available for review and will pass along anything I receive.

**APPROVAL OF
REPORTS**

19/2024

**UNFINISHED
BUSINESS**

APPROVAL OF REPORTS

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

MOTION CARRIED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Actionable Initiatives

Pollinators and Pesticides

- Communications is finalizing roll out plan and presenting to Michael next week.

Telford Lake Natural Area

- Administration is tasked with looking into potential opportunities further and reporting back before budget in June with estimated costs and feasibility.
- Edmonton Area Land Trust process with MDP negotiations:
- Administration reviews feasibility of the various options presented.

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- Administration presents options to Council with associated budget asks.
 - Council grants Administration approval to proceed (hopefully).
 - Administration conducts internal research where possible and posts RFP's/RFQ's to secure consultant support where needed.
 - Consultants design and execute studies, evaluations, and assessments.
 - Together Administration and LEAB review the findings.
 - These results can then be used to inform next steps which could include: drafting an MDP amendment that speaks to the value of Telford Lake and/or provides new development guidelines, asking the City to buy back land around the lake to expand setbacks, asking the City to re-zone the land around the lake to increase Environmental Reserve and the associated mechanisms of protection that come with it, or entering into discussions and negotiations with private landowners around conservation easements and land donation options.

Light Efficiency Community

- No update

Hens and Bees

- Carla has agreed to lend us the library for our information sessions in the fall

Topics to Monitor

Watershed Health and Coal Policy

- Monitor the Coal mine in situation in Hinton. This mine poses a risk to animals and natural habitat
- Approximately half of Alberta is anticipating drought this year.
- Currently 51 water shortage advisories in Alberta.

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- The Water Commission has specific educational tools for different municipalities and the City of Leduc incorporates these into their policies.
- Southern Alberta will be more impacted.

Single Use Plastic

- No update

Tree Protection – Policy/Bylaw

- June 8 is Arbor day
- Michael to reach out to youth council to ask if they would be interested in speaking at the beginning of arbor day

Green House Gas Plan/CEIP

- No update

**Waste Management – Business (ICI) and Multi-Unit (MU)
Waste Diversion**

- No update

Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR)

- No update

**NEW
BUSINESS**

NEW BUSINESS

Leduc Arts Foundry Bird Houses

- Michael to get more information and bring it back to the next meeting.

Business Expo

- Confirmed shifts with the board. Michael to send out email with scheduled shifts.

Deer Valley Signage

- Administration to work with Public Services and Parks and Recreation to come up with verbiage for the signs.

**OPEN
DISCUSSION**

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ADJOURNMENT

20/2024

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MOTION: it was moved by James T to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

NEXT MEETING

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The next meeting will be held on May 14, 2024 Telford Street Board Room

Mindy Paradis

Chair

Alysha Laviolette

Recording Secretary