

**LEDUC ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 10, 2022
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REGULAR MINUTES Minutes of the LEDUC ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD Regular Meeting held Tuesday, May 10, 2022 via Microsoft Teams.

PRESENT: Councillor Lars Hansen
Benjamin McDonald
Jennifer Roach
Wendy Yule
Lynne Chalmers
Mindy Paradis
Sheila Ruddy
Brittany Onysyk
Ngairé Nix

WITH REGRETS: Councillor Ryan Pollard

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

CALL TO ORDER

I. CALL TO ORDER

Wendy Yule called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF
AGENDA
24/2022**

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: It was Moved by Lynne to approve the May 8, 2022, Agenda.

MOTION CARRIED

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES
25/2022**

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: It was Moved by Brittany to accept the meeting minutes of April 12, 2022, as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

**SAFETY
MOMENT**

IV. SAFETY MOMENT

- Ben presented the April Safety moment on E Scooters. Everyone should treat scooter safety the same as bike safety. Wear a helmet as E Scooters can go fast speeds. Be mindful of others around you especially those on the multiway.
- A lot of mosquitos out right now especially around Telford. Dress in layers. Protect yourself from bug bites

V. REPORTS

A. Chair's Report

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REPORTS

- Apr 14 – 2 board members virtually attended a Youth Council meeting. Amanda Johnson, FCSS Community Facilitator followed up after the meeting and asked that we keep them informed of events that would be of interest to the Youth Council. Chair passed on info about Arbour Day and the Pollinator Challenge.
- Apr 23 – attended the “Coffee and Conversations” event for non-profits at the Civic Centre and met with other volunteers:
- Elana H. will inform registered volunteers who expressed interest in Environmental issues that there will be board openings in 2023.
- Elana provided info on the Youth at the Table Event (this is separate from the Leduc Youth Council) - Inspiring discussion around youth empowerment, leadership and non-profit succession planning. This event connects young individuals (ages 18-30 years old) looking to build leadership skills and learn about the non-profit sector with non-profit organizations looking to enhance diversity through youth engagement.
Location: City of Leduc Civic Centre Atrium
Day & Time: Saturday, May 14 @ 10:30am - 12:00pm
- Spoke with Hannah Pfeil, Youth Council Chair, who is interested in Dark Skies and Light Efficient Communities. Chair emailed the dark skies info, which was previously made available at the library display. (This info was also emailed to LWCS Chairperson, John Stephen. LWCS has an interest in light efficient communities as well.)
- Chair asked Should we designate a member from our board to be a liaison to youth groups? Board will discuss
- The next “Coffee and Conversations” will be held in October.
- April Chair attended Pitch-in events with LWCS and Communities in Bloom.
- May 7 – Arbour Day. Very well organized (thank you Keri and Shannon!) and a very successful event. Lots of families came out and the advertising was effective. LEAB passed out more native seeds and had a QR code at the table for people who were interested in the Pollinator challenge. Thanks to the board members for coming down to help out.
- Strategic Plan – Environmental Sustainability is reassuring that those are things that are heart of the focus of the Strategic Plan

B. Council's Report

- Arbour Day – fun facts there was 161 participants total 2.5 hours all the trees were planted. We ran out of trees before the event was over. Really nice to see the Wetlands restoration. Really beautiful area
- AVPA update; Council has been working hard to find some amendments. They measure the noise along with the contours which can hold restrictions on development, height of buildings etc. North of Telford is zoned to be commercial or industrial. Council is lobbying hard they want the area to be like Calgary and Airdrie, so the hope is City of Leduc will get the same treatment. Should there be changes LEAB should try and be apart of those conversations in regards to Berms & Buffers

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- E Scooters was launched last week, great for tourism and mobility. Anyone over the age of 16 can use it. Great initiative for the City of Leduc. Kudos to GHG Group
- West Campus the long-term plans is for a 2nd rec facility near the new high school. July 1st there will be consultation with groups. 18 months later they will regroup and will go over budget
- CEIP launches May 30, 2022, check out the myceip website to get all the information prepared so when the applications open you are ready to go
- Check out the Strategic Plan if you haven't yet. There are a lot of Environmental goals within the plan.

C. Administration's Report

- Update on Arbour Day – was a great success! Excellent turn out (161 participants beyond City staff and volunteers) and lots of engagement with residents on environmental initiatives. And we got 725 trees in the ground. A big thank-you to everyone who volunteered their time to represent LEAB.
- Reminder that CEIP launches May 30th! We've received lots of interest and spots are limited so be sure to apply as quickly if you can if you're interested in making energy efficient upgrades to your home (anticipating room for 30 participants each year). Our home energy kits are coming together and should be ready for May 30th
- The E-scooter pilot program was officially launched Friday, May 6th! We confirmed that there is a liability waiver to be completed through the app (and credit card information is collected) and the scooters are designed to operate within City limits only.
- We have another staffing change to highlight – one of our Administrators is moving roles within the city. With that, Keri has received a promotion and her role will be changing in our department as well. We will have a new staff member gradually transitioning into her role which means a new face at these meetings. Keri will still be present into the fall to help support this transition!

VI. APPROVAL OF REPORTS

**APPROVAL OF
REPORTS
26/2022**

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

MOTION CARRIED

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Watershed and Coal Policy – Update

- Chair watched a webinar on the North Saskatchewan Watersheds. Found it astounding how many people depend on the water from the North Saskatchewan River

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- No updates from the coal policy

B. Single Use Plastics – Update

- Walmart has got rid of single use plastics, must bring your own bags now
- Group decided to wait and watch what the City of Edmonton does
- Possible Sub Committee meeting come September will let Administration know

C. Pollinators and Pesticides – Update

- Request for proposal is published so consultants can see the scope of work
- QR code on all marketing
- Suggested some targeted ads if the board is supportive

**MOTION
APPROVAL
27/2022**

MOTION: It was motioned by Jennifer to pay for the social media ads totaling \$150. All in favor

MOTION CARRIED

D. Green House Gas Plan/CEIP – Update

- No Update
- Sheila asked what the Environmental Impact of the making of scooter, how that connects to our GHG with the scooter. Have we actioned a little bit more information?
- Feelings are not to promote until we see what benefits there are
- Jenna will investigate this with the Energy Project Management team

**UNFINISHED
BUSINESS**

E. Light Efficiency Community and Telford Berms and Buffers – Update

- Wait and see what happens with AVPA
- Update from Sheila
- Feedback from LEAB; do we try to tackle Telford Lake right now; do we go to Council with a more high-level talk to have them look at Light Pollution. What route should the Sub Committee go? Take the Telford Lake piece to council in the short term. Focus on the Telford piece. If we were to take to council as recommendations for prohibitions, we would want to support that with a report on background on the topic and regulatory framework. Bring in some history of what LEAB has been working on.
- Subcommittee meet in September; Sheila will go over the Council report

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- Jenna to see if Strathcona can come to talk to the board

F. LEAB Meal

- Habaneros, OJs, Chopped Leaf, Indian Grill and Bistro, Pizza at Red Swan. Send out survey.

**MOTION
APPROVAL
28/2022**

MOTION: It was motioned by Ngarie to bring in meal for the June 21. All in favor
MOTION CARRIED

**NEW
BUSINESS**

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Up and coming events

- What would we do for clean air day in regards to Pesticides "Give the bees clean air too" time to focus on the pollinator piece vs the cosmetic use
- Volunteer fair has been moved to September 11

**OPEN
DISCUSSION**

IX. OPEN DISCUSSION

- Feature article on the Hen participant was in the Rep.
- Discussion on in person meeting

FUTURE TOPICS

X. FUTURE TOPICS

- ICI, Multi-Unit and Industrial Pilot
 - No Update
- Urban tree removal and replacement policy/bylaw
 - Administration spoke with manager and lead of the Parks and Open Spaces they have both said they would come and give a review of the tree protection bylaw.
- Environmental Plan
 - No Update

**ADJOURNMENT
29/2022**

XI. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: it was moved by Brittany to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

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MOTION CARRIED

XII. NEXT MEETING

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The next meeting will be held on June 21, 2022 Telford Street Board Room



Chair



Recording Secretary