

**LEDUC ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
TELFORD STREET BOARDROOM, CIVIC CENTRE
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REGULAR MINUTES Minutes of the LEDUC ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD Regular Meeting held Tuesday, January 13, 2026, Telford Street Boardroom, Civic Centre.

PRESENT: Ngaire Nix
Councillor Shawn Raymond
Aishah Mohd Isa
Ilona Braun
Kristine Mryglod
Sandy Musteca
Scarlett Regier
Maggie Marshall Sloan
Ngaire Nix
Mindy Paradis

VIRTUALLY:

WITH REGRETS: Councillor Laura Tillack

ALSO PRESENT: Cheri Andres – Recording Secretary
Michael Hancharyk – City Representative
Megan Bailey – City Representative
Jenelle Lamothe - Resident
John Stephens - Pres. Leduc Wildlife
Conservation Society
Wendy Yule – Resident
Rob Miller – President West Haven Manor Board
of Directors
Larry Horncastle – Board Member for West Haven
Manor
John Andrus - Action Electric
Kevin Rapley – Action Electric

CALL TO ORDER

I. CALL TO ORDER

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

Mindy gave the Land Acknowledgement.

**APPROVAL OF
AGENDA**

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

01/2026

MOTION: It was Moved by Ngaire to approve the January 13, 2026 Agenda.

MOTION CARRIED

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

02/2026

MOTION: It was Moved by Councillor Raymond to accept the meeting minutes of December 9, 2025, as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

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**GUEST
SPEAKER**

IV. GUEST SPEAKERS

A. Rob Miller – President of West Haven Manor

- Rob provided a brief overview of West Haven Manor's efforts to become more environmentally responsible. Initiatives include upgrading community building lighting to LED bulbs and installing motion sensors.
- West Haven Manor condo board/residents expressed strong interest in the CEIP program; however, due to the size of their building, they were unable to apply under the current eligibility criteria. They requested that, should the City implement its own CEIP program in the future, buildings taller than three stories be considered eligible to apply.

B. John Stephens – President of Leduc Wildlife Conservation Society & Wendy Yule

- Wendy Yule gave a brief overview of articles and documents that LEAB and the Leduc Wildlife Conservation Society have used to support efforts thus far to work towards achieving an acceptable ecological setback for Telford Lake
- John Stephens presented his presentation that he has prepared to share with Council on January 20. He shared what has been talked about in the past and what area structure plans are currently in place. He will be requesting that Council seriously consider making changes/future plans to preserve the area around Telford Lake for wildlife.

REPORTS

V. REPORTS

A. Chair's Report

- o Welcome to new members
- o Mindy & Ngaire have begun the Sustainable Communities course
- o Please note members can subscribe to News on the COL website and learn about upcoming events such as the Land Use Bylaw Survey & Annexation Open House

B. Council's Report

- o Tax rate is set at 3.8%
- o Completed budget approval process
- o Currently participating in training to prepare for Strategic Planning Process in March
- o Excited to see strong engagement in Leduc, with 28 boards currently active. Most boards have welcomed approximately half of their members as new participants!

C. Administration's Report

- o Welcome new members & Happy New Year!
- o Christmas Bird Count/Kick off the Count was very successful with 24 tally sheets submitted through the City. Andy T has yet to submit the tally sheets he received.
- o Enviro Progress Report is currently being prepared by Michael

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**APPROVAL OF
REPORTS**

03/2026

VI. APPROVAL OF REPORTS

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

MOTION CARRIED

**UNFINISHED
BUSINESS**

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Actionable Initiatives:

(i) Pollinators and Pesticides – Update

- No update

(ii) Natural Assets Inventory – Update

- Report has been finalized but not made public yet

- Next step is for attendees to participate in 2-4 workshop sessions, which could take 4-6 months

(iii) Light Efficiency Community – Update

- No update

- Light Efficiency Community Policy Feasibility Study work plan and estimate currently being developed by Urban Systems.

(iv) Hens and Bees – Update

- No update – **move to Topics to Monitor**

(v) Events

- Megan provided a draft calendar with proposed event dates. Members are asked to review and bring comments or suggestions to the next meeting for finalization.

- Megan researched kit options and confirmed she can assemble four 8-person clean-up kits for approximately \$75 total. Kits would be available for community groups to pick up from the library. Committee is seeking ideas for how to best advertise the kits to the community.

- **It was requested that an email reminder with the event dates and small description of each event be sent out via email one week prior to our next meeting.**

04/2026

Motion: It was moved by Mindy that LEAB proceed to purchase 4 (8 person) community clean up kits for \$75 and that the kits would be available at the Library for community use.

MOTION CARRIED

b. Topics to Monitor:

(i) Watershed Health – Update

- Province introduced Bill 7 last year, proposing major Water Act changes, including new definitions affecting conservation/reuse, expanded license amendment options, mandatory application review timelines, new disclosure

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requirements, and allowance for certain lower-risk inter-basin transfers.

- LEAB members are encouraged to review the bill for potential impacts and concerns.

- As of Dec. 22, Treaty 8 First Nations (Tallcree Tribal Gov, Sturgeon Lake Cree Nation, Dene Tha' First Nation) announced plans to pursue litigation to stop the bill's implementation.

(ii) Tree Protection – Policy/Bylaw

- Parks is drafting a new Tree Protection Bylaw, using examples from nearby municipalities.

- Environment has recommended seasonal limits on pruning/removal during nesting and disease-risk periods.

- Interdepartmental meeting set for Jan. 14; LEAB may provide additional input.

(iii) Green House Gas Reduction Plan – Update

- No update

- Request was made to have Jack H bring a report to next meeting.

(iv) Multi Unit Sector Waste Diversion – Update

- 99% of properties are now compliant or actively working toward compliance.

- Council presentation scheduled for Jan. 26 (Michael presenting).

- Early-adopter contest winners (free bags for a year) have been drawn; prize distribution starts this week.

(v) Indigenous Engagement Opportunities

- Parks, Recreation & Culture now has an indigenous board member which is exciting and brings potential for increased engagement in the future.

**NEW
BUSINESS**

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

a. LEAB Attire Order

- Due to the number of new members on the board, LEAB attire will be ordered, including name tags, to wear at events. Megan will look into clothing/name tag options

05/2026

Motion: It was moved by Ngaire to spend up to \$500 on new LEAB attire. Options will be priced out; if it is over \$500 the amount will need to be brought back to the next meeting for approval.

MOTION CARRIED

b. Citizens of Distinction Review Committee for 2026 Designates

- One LEAB member is required to sit on the committee; Ngaire will serve as our representative.

**OPEN
DISCUSSION**

IX. OPEN DISCUSSION

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a. **CEIP/Solar** – Possible program renewal is uncertain. The government is unlikely to renew, so municipalities may need to self-fund. There are early discussions, but nothing confirmed. Jack Harding is preparing a presentation to support continuation and potentially include commercial properties.

ADJOURNMENT

X. ADJOURNMENT

6/2026

MOTION: It was moved by Wendy to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

NEXT MEETING

XI. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on February 10, 2026 in the Telford Board Room at the Civic Centre.



Chair



Recording Secretary