

**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, April 14, 2026, Telford Street Boardroom, Civic Centre.

PRESENT: Councillor Shawn Raymond
Aishah Mohd Isa
Ilona Braun
Scarlett Regier
Mindy Paradis
Ngaire Nix

VIRTUALLY: Sandy Musteca

WITH REGRETS: Councillor Laura Tillack
Kristine Mryglod
Maggie Marshall Sloan
Michael Hancharyk – City Representative

ALSO PRESENT: Cheri Andres – Recording Secretary
Kalyssa Leicht-Highcock – City Representative
Tyler Yaremko – City Representative

CALL TO ORDER

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mindy called the meeting to order at 6:13 p.m.

Mindy gave the Land Acknowledgement.

**APPROVAL OF
AGENDA**

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

19/2026

MOTION: It was Moved by Councilor Shawn Raymond to approve the April 14, 2026 Agenda.

MOTION CARRIED

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

20/2026

MOTION: It was Moved by Ilona to accept the meeting minutes of March 10, 2026, as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

REPORTS

IV. REPORTS

A. Chair's Report

- Land Use Bylaw: A virtual meeting is scheduled for tomorrow evening. Registration is required to attend.
- Sustainable Communities Course: Mindy has completed the course and will provide a presentation at a later date.

B. Council's Report

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- Land Use Bylaw – Three public hearing opportunities are available. Virtual hearings will be held on April 15 and April 18, with an in-person hearing on April 21.
- Dr. Woods House Museum - Seasonal opening is scheduled for June 23, with operations on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings. An additional position is planned for next year, with a re-evaluation in three years.
- Presentations & Events - Upcoming presentations include PRC and FCSS. Flagship and community events include Canada Day, Volunteer Fest, Light Up the Park, and the Holiday Train.
- Elevator Open/Markets – Friday markets hosted by AB Made Market begin May 29 and will run from 4:00–7:00 p.m.
- Garage Sale – hosted by the Grain Elevator - Scheduled for June 20.
- Heritage Day - Scheduled for September 19.
- City Growth Update - Council noted that growth is progressing approximately 25% faster than projected, with the population potentially reaching 60,000 by 2030. Developers are moving toward Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) for three neighbourhoods, including Brightwell.
- Boys and Girls Club & Leduc Youth Centre - The proposal will be presented to Council on May 4, followed by public engagement during the summer. The most likely location is near the Kinsmen Centre, though this will not be confirmed until after engagement.
- West Campus - Planned for 2029–2032 and may proceed in three phases. Administration is currently determining which phase will occur first.

C. Administration’s Report

- New Environmental Staff - James Kollmar has been hired as the new Environmental Project Manager. Samar will begin in May as a summer student to assist with lot grading.
- Conferences - Michael is attending conferences today and next week.
- Arbour Day - Scheduled for June 6 at Kinsmen Park. An estimated 500–600 trees will be planted, and saplings will be distributed to the public.

**APPROVAL OF
REPORTS**

21/2026

**UNFINISHED
BUSINESS**

V. APPROVAL OF REPORTS

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

MOTION CARRIED

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Actionable Initiatives:

(i) Pollinators and Pesticides – Update

- Communications will be releasing two social media posts over the next 2 months.

(ii) Natural Assets – Update

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- One workshop has been completed, and a second is scheduled for the end of May. Next steps will be determined following that session.

(iii) Light Efficiency Community – Update

- The draft has been completed and is under review.

(iv) Community Clean Up

- Annual Telford Lake clean-up is scheduled for April 19, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

- Leduc Youth Council is interested in supporting clean-ups; however, they are committed to another event on April 22 (Earth Day), and a separate clean-up is already planned for that date.

- Three community members/groups have used the Community Clean-Up Kits to date. Councillor Raymond will follow up with the Library to establish a process for tracking kit usage and replenishment needs.

- Youth Council expressed interest in organizing a fall clean-up before snowfall. It was suggested that one or more LEAB members attend a Youth Council meeting to support collaboration on events and activities. Mindy will try to attend.

- Youth Council meets at East Railroad, on the second Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

- May 14, 2026 identified as a potential meeting date.

- Fall clean-up would be supported by Rotary, providing an opportunity to share funds.

b. Topics to Monitor:

(i) Watershed Health – Update

- The issue remains ongoing. Signatures may continue to be collected for the *Water, Not Coal* petition. Members were encouraged to attend presentations hosted by the Wildlife Society at the Library, as they regularly feature guest speakers.

(ii) Tree Protection – Policy/Bylaw

- Initial draft has been submitted to City solicitors for review.

(iii) Green House Gas Reduction Plan – Green House Gas Inventory – Update

- Michael spoke with Jack and we can do in house with minimal effort.

(iv) Multi Unit Sector Waste Diversion – Update

- Approximately 65% of inspections have been completed. More issues were identified than anticipated, including mislabelled recycling and improper use of organics bins. Efforts are ongoing to educate residents on proper waste diversion practices.

(v) Indigenous Engagement Opportunities

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- Consideration is being given to naming one park using an Indigenous name or word

(vi) Hens & Bees – Update

- Kalyssa is preparing to complete inspections.

**NEW
BUSINESS**

VII. NEW BUSINESS

a. LEAB Council Presentation Review/Collaboration

- The Board conducted a collective review of the presentation slides and worked together to finalize the speaking points.

b. North Saskatchewan Watershed – Bird Friendly Corridor Idea

- Discussion regarding certification as a Bird-Friendly Municipality was deferred to next month.

**OPEN
DISCUSSION**

VIII. OPEN DISCUSSION

a. Sensory Garden – It was noted that promoting or supporting a sensory garden would be better explored through community councils or groups (such as Communities in Bloom, or its successor) rather than bringing the idea forward to Council as a funding request for the next year. Councillor Raymond will connect with Tyler to identify councils or community groups that may provide funding and support for a sensory garden

ADJOURNMENT

IX. ADJOURNMENT

22/2026

MOTION: It was moved by Councillor Shawn Raymond to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

NEXT MEETING

X. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on May 12, 2026 in the Telford Board Room at the Civic Centre.



Chair



Recording Secretary