

**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, May 12, 2026, Telford Street Boardroom, Civic Centre.

PRESENT: Councillor Shawn Raymond
Aishah Mohd Isa
Ilona Braun
Scarlett Regier
Ngairé Nix
Sandy Musteca
Mindy Paradis

VIRTUALLY: Kristine Mryglod

WITH REGRETS: Councillor Laura Tillack

ALSO PRESENT: Cheri Andres – Recording Secretary
Michael Hancharyk – City Representative
Cindy Lee Danyluk-Boisvert - Resident
Shawn Olson – City Representative
Kyle van Steenoven – City Representative
James Kollmar – City Representative

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

23/2026

MOTION: It was Moved by Ilona to approve the May 12, 2026 Agenda.

MOTION CARRIED

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

24/2026

MOTION: It was Moved by Ngairé to accept the meeting minutes of April 14, 2026, as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

INTRODUCTIONS

IV. INTRODUCTIONS

- Shawn Olson introduced City representatives: James Kollmar., Kyle Van Steenoven, and himself.
- The LEAB mandate is to:
 1. Advise Council on environmental priorities and practices.
 2. Provide education and share information with residents.
- City representatives are present to provide context, share information, and facilitate discussions, but are not responsible for direct implementation.

**GUEST
PRESENTATION**

V. GUEST PRESENTATION

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- Cindy Lee Danyluk-Boisvert gave a presentation on Floating Raft Replacement and Enhancement Initiative for Waterfowl Habitat that included the following areas:
 - **Current Situation:** Existing floating rafts are dilapidated and need improvement. The area attracts visitors from multiple municipalities who come to enjoy nature.
 - **Proposal:** Cindy proposed installing three new waterfowl rafts to support various bird species. Suggested additions include a duck access ramp and educational signage along the boardwalk highlighting species and nesting habits.
 - **Research:** Cindy has researched potential suppliers (Windsor Plywood and Nautica) for pricing and is continuing to explore the most suitable materials.
 - **Coordination Requirements:** The project would require coordination with the local boat club.
 - **Funding:** Cindy is actively canvassing for funding to support the project.
 - **Maintenance Considerations:** Ducks Unlimited raised concerns about ongoing maintenance requirements. Cindy has volunteered to take responsibility for cleaning and maintaining the nests.

REPORTS

VI. REPORTS

A. Chair's Report

- Annual Report to Council Presentation - May 25
- The Sustainable Communities Course - has been completed; materials and key takeaways will be shared at the next meeting.

B. Council's Report

- Construction Season is Underway – several projects with potential environmental impacts are planned; further details are available on the City website.
- New Lookout Point - being developed on north shore of Telford Lake
- West Campus – project is progressing:
 - Phase 1 – unboarded fieldhouse and twin arena
 - Phase 2 – Aquatic center and Gymnasium.
 - Additional proposed features include a climbing wall, flexible/alternative-use spaces, a track for sports teams, and a potential meandering track for residents.
- Tax Reduction - City of Leduc is recognized regionally as one of the few municipalities to achieve a 7% tax reduction.

C. Administration's Report

- New Environmental Project Manager – Welcome to James Kollmar!! As a former LEAB member, he will serve as the primary lead and contact for LEAB.
- Resignation - Maggie has stepped down from the board at this time
- Green & Gold Contest – May 25-30. Free compost will be available at the Eco Station, and prizes such as rain barrels can be won.

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- Arbour Day – June 6 from 11:00 – 2:00 pm at Kinsmen Park. All are invited to volunteer, let Michael or James know if you are attending. Free face painting and hot dogs and drinks.
- Large Item Pick Up – June 9-16, with Monday pickup occurring on June 16.
- Clean Air Day – June 3, with free transit offered to promote alternative transportation.
- Spring Bird Count - May 31 to June 6, consideration of prize details for this initiative.

25/2026

MOTION: It was moved by Mindy that LEAB approve the purchase of a prize for the Spring Bird Count, consistent with the amount approved in the previous year.

MOTION CARRIED

**APPROVAL OF
REPORTS**

VII. APPROVAL OF REPORTS

26/2026

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

MOTION CARRIED

**UNFINISHED
BUSINESS**

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Actionable Initiatives:

(i) Pollinators and Pesticides – Update

- Councillor Raymond attended the Alberta Climate Leaders webinar; City is a leader in community engagement
- Pollinator pesticide event wrap-up to be discussed at the next meeting.

(ii) Natural Assets – Update

- Second workshop is scheduled for May 25.

(iii) Light Efficiency Community – Update

- The draft has been completed and is under review.

(iv) Community Clean Up

- Youth Council (13–16 members) expressed interest in collaborating with LEAB on a community clean-up event.
- Proposed dates: June 19 or 20, or September 11, 12, or 18.

b. Topics to Monitor:

(i) Watershed Health – Update

- “Water Not Coal” signatures still being collected until June 10

(ii) Tree Protection – Policy/Bylaw

- In review process

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

- No update

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(iv) Multi Unit Sector Waste Diversion – Update

- Multi-family unit inspections are 90% complete, exceeding the 2026 target ahead of schedule.

(v) Indigenous Engagement Opportunities

- A motion was passed to allow Pride flag raising. A bylaw revision is underway to permit additional group flag raisings, including the Every Child Matters flag.

- National Indigenous Peoples Day on June 21, several events will be taken place in Edmonton.

(vi) Hens & Bees – Update

- A few inspections are still pending. A new hen keeper application has been received.

NEW BUSINESS

IX. NEW BUSINESS

a. North Saskatchewan Watershed – Bird Friendly Corridor Idea

- The Wildlife Conservation Society in Leduc is championing a bird-friendly corridor. The City currently meets 4 out of 5 criteria for certification. If successful, the City would receive recognition (e.g., plaque or designation). LEAB would need to approach Council for approval to pursue certification.

CLOSED SESSION

X. CLOSED SESSION

27/2026

MOTION: It was moved by Mindy that the Leduc Environmental Advisory Board move to In-Camera at 7:23 pm to discuss interpretation of information. (In-Camera Item) (Section 24 of the Access to Information Act).

MOTION CARRIED

28/2026

MOTION: It was moved by Mindy that the Leduc Environmental Advisory Board move In-Public at 7:56 pm.

MOTION CARRIED

OPEN DISCUSSION

XI. OPEN DISCUSSION

- Add item to next month's agenda to discuss the current budget status and possible prize for Pollinator Garden Challenge.
- Pride flag raising at the Civic Centre on June 7.

ADJOURNMENT

XII. ADJOURNMENT

29/2026

MOTION: It was moved by Ilona to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

NEXT MEETING

XIII. NEXT MEETING

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The next meeting will be held on June 9, 2026 in the Telford Board Room at the Civic Centre.

Windy Paradis

Chair

Cheri Andres

Recording Secretary