

**1. Order and roll call**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 16, 2024, by the Chair, Mary Ann MacDonald, Beaumont representative, with the following committee members present:

- Tanni Doblanko – Leduc County Mayor
- Dal Viridi – Leduc County Councillor
- Cindy Miller – Thorsby representative
- Chris Hahn – Calmar representative

**Other attendees:**

- Dean Ohnysty – Director, Community Services
- Andrea Oneski – Community Development Coordinator
- Victoria Fulton – Administrative Assistant

**Regrets:**

- Amanda Riemer – Leduc representative

**2. Agenda Adoption**

**18-2024** Tanni Doblanko – that the agenda for the October 16, 2024, Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee meeting be adopted with the following addition:

4. b) Department Activity Report.

Carried Unanimously

**3. Adoption of previous minutes**

**19-2024** Cindy Miller – that the minutes from the September 4, 2024, Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee meeting be adopted as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

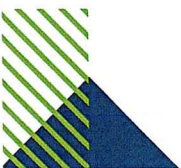
**4. Department reports and recommendations**

a) Community Association Grant Summaries

Andrea reviewed the funding guidelines for the Community Association grant and explained that administration pre-rated each applicant based on the funding criteria and the rubric rating as provided to the PRAC. Discussions ensued regarding funding recommendations, and the PRAC voted to distribute the \$63,000 grant budget as follows.

Group Name	Recommend Funding for 2024
Beaumont and District Ag Society	\$3,000
Beaumont Songbirds Choirs	\$1,000
Calmar Art Society	\$500

Cloverlawn Community Centre	\$2,000
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Devon Skating Club	\$500
East Vistas Community Association	\$2,000
Friends of the New Sarepta Library	\$2,000
Glen Park Community Association	\$2,000
Leduc Arts Foundry	\$1,500
Leduc Band Aid Association	\$750
Leduc Nordic Club	\$1,000
Leduc Rotary Music Festival	\$2,000
Looma Good Deed Association	\$1,250
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Mission Beach Association	\$1,000
New Humble Community School Association	\$1,000
New Sarepta Community Connections	\$1,000
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New Sarepta Minor Hockey	\$1,000
New Sarepta Pickleball	\$500
Pioneer Ag Society (Warburg)	\$2,000
Rock N Rollers	\$1,000
Rolly View 4-H Dairy	\$1,000
Rolly View Community Association	\$1,500
Rolly View Floor Curlers	\$1,000
Sandholm Pigeon Lake Drifters	\$1,000
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Strawberry District Society	\$1,500
Sunnybrook Community Association	\$1,000
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Telford Community Club	\$2,000
Telford Community Club	\$2,000
Telfordville Community Centre	\$1,500
Telfordville Community Centre	\$2,000
Thorsby and District Cultural and Historical Society	\$1,000
Thorsby Library Board	\$2,000
Thorsby Soccer Club	\$1,000
Warburg Skating Club	\$1,000
Warburg Tai Chi	\$750
Wizard Lake Watershed	\$9,500
<b>Organizations not recommended for grant funding</b>	
Accessible Waters and Adventures	\$0
Grass Roots Arts Sports and Science	\$0
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Kisyeya Institute	\$0
L.A. (Leduc Alberta) Crude Sports Alberta	\$0



Leduc West Antique Society	\$0
Linsford Park School Parent's Association	\$0
Special Olympics Alberta	\$0
Thorsby Lions	\$0
Warburg Parent School Society	\$0
Warburg Wall of Fame	\$0
Wilton Park Community Centre	\$0

**20-2024** Cindy Miller – that the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee support the Community Association grant funding with a total recommendation of \$63,000.

Chris Hahn – Second the PRAC support for the Community Association grant funding with a total recommendation of \$63,000.

Carried Unanimously

b) Department Activity Report

Dean provided the following administration updates as information:

Business Plan

- Terms under the Black Gold Regional School Division facilities joint use agreement and reserve planning allocation are still in discussions and will be presented to Council at a later date.

Community Partnerships

- The East Vistas Community Association successfully raised their funding commitment and is preparing requests for proposals for a new playground built in the spring of 2025.
- The New Sarepta Library hired a consultant and will conduct public engagements in November to assess the feasibility of a stand-alone library in the community. The outcome of the study will be reported to Council in March 2025.

Cost Share

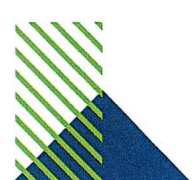
- On October 8, Council approved the City of Beaumont 2023 cost share capital contribution toward capital projects previously approved for funding.

Community Facilities

- Council approved a new agreement with the New Sarepta and District Ag Society with a funding increase to improve facility operations and sustainability.
- With the new ice plant and Zamboni at the Warburg Arena operational and supporting arena activities, administration will continue to work with the Village of Warburg to assess ongoing efficiencies.

Community Resources and Support

- Administration will support community organizations with Leduc County resources and staff support for scheduled fall programs and events held at the Sandholm Community Hall, Strawberry Community Hall, Rolly View Community Hall, and Rundles Mission.





- Administration met with the Thorsby Seniors board to discuss best practices, facility budgets and long-term planning and maintenance.

#### Parks Operations

##### Campgrounds

- Service delivery for the Jubilee Park Campground will be contracted in 2025. Administration will soon be releasing the Request for Proposal and award the contract in January 2025.

##### General

- A revised Park Bylaw will be presented to Council this fall to help administration address and enforce compliance issues, specifically around campgrounds, developed parks and open spaces.

Andrea provided the following recreation updates as information:

#### Recreation

##### Programs

- The summer Community Impact Tree travelled across the County visiting 18 programs and events and is now displayed at the C&OC building.
- There are several programs scheduled in the fall including drop-in programs, PD days, Open Gym nights, and Family Fun Sport Zone.

##### Events

- The Culture Days Festival, held on September 21, was a success with over 450 in attendance.
- The Harvest Festival will be hosted at the Strawberry Community Hall on October 19.
- Upcoming winter events include the Winter Festival, featuring breakfast with Santa on November 23; Light the Night: Winter Luminary on December 14; and the Winter Lights contest will be open for nominations from November to January 10, 2025.

**21-2024** Tanni Doblanko – that the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee receives the department activity report as information.

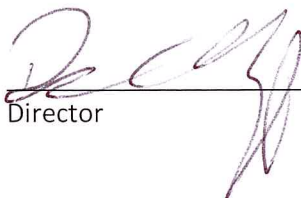
Carried Unanimously

#### **5. Adjournment**

**22-2024** Tanni Doblanko - that the PRAC meeting be adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Carried Unanimously

  
Chairman

  
Director

