

**MINUTES OF THE LEDUC COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY
COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY THE SIXTH DAY OF
NOVEMBER, 2019 A.D. AT 6:30 P.M. AT THE COUNTY CENTRE, NISKU, ALBERTA**

Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 6:27 p.m. by Ronald Patrick with the following committee members present:

Tracy Musson - Thorsby Representative
Ginger Collisson - Leduc Representative
Ronald Patrick - Devon Representative
Elizabeth Leeb - New Sarepta Representative
Darlene Shield - Beaumont Representative
Mayor Tanni Doblanko
Councillor Kelly-Lynn Lewis

The following committee members sent regrets:
Tasha Harrop – Warburg Representative

The following position is vacant:
Calmar Representative

Also present were:
Dean Ohnysty – Director of Parks & Recreation
Andrea Oneski, Community Development Coordinator
Darlene Chimera - Recording Secretary

Agenda Adoption

Motion: Tanni Doblanko- that the agenda for the November 6, 2019 meeting be adopted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

Approval of Minutes

Motion: Kelly-Lynn Lewis - that the minutes of the September 25, 2019 Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting be approved as presented.

Carried Unanimously

OLD BUSINESS

Board Member Appointments Expiring and Advertising

Reminder to PRAC members whose appointments are expiring December 31, 2019 to reapply if you are interested in remaining on as a representative.

Darlene Shield, Beaumont Representative.

Vacant, Calmar Representative.

Ginger Collisson, Leduc Representative

Elizabeth Leeb, New Sarepta Representative

Tracy Musson, Thorsby Representative

Applications for the Beaumont and Leduc positions should be sent to Duane Coleman by November 18, 2019. The Calmar, New Sarepta and Thorsby positions will be appointed by their local recreation boards.

NEW BUSINESS

2020 Proposed Meeting Schedule

A copy of the 2020 Proposed PRAC Meeting Schedule was distributed for information.

Parks and Open Spaces Bylaw 28-19

The new Parks and Open Spaces Bylaw No. 28-19 has been adopted by Leduc County Council. The new bylaw gives the authority to Leduc County Peace Officers and Park Officers to enforce action on the rules for cannabis possession and consumption. Other sections of the bylaw have been updated including the penalty for fines.

A copy of the bylaw is available for your review and information.

Cost Share Review

The new Cost Share Agreements for Leduc and Beaumont are waiting on County Council final endorsement. We are currently reviewing how to action 2019 contributions and support. Draft agreements have been sent to Thorsby and Warburg in hopes of having new agreements signed in early 2020.

Provincial Budget Implications Overview

A copy of the Provincial Budget Implications Overview was distributed for information.

Parks and Recreation continues to monitor changes that have been announced or are expected in the next few years through the Provincial budget. A brief summary of the content identified is as follows:

Business Plan

- Provide grants and services to enhance the quality of life in rural Alberta.
- To advance sport and active living in Alberta.
- Empower Alberta's civil society to contribute to Alberta's economy.
- Provide grant funding through the Community Facility Enhancement Program.
- A suite of programs and services are administered to encourage improvement in rural Albertans' quality of life.
- The Fish Culture Program raises fish in hatcheries to support Alberta's sport fishing industry and to meet numerous conservation goals.

Other:

- No change to the libraries budget.
- Summer Student Employment Program (STEP) has been cancelled.

Areas where budgets have been cut:

- Fish and Wildlife
- Community and Voluntary support services
- Heritage
- Recreation and Physical Activity
- Arts and Creative industries

REPORTS

Department Activity Reports and Correspondence

A copy of the Department Activity Report was distributed for information.

ARPA Conference Review

A copy of the ARPA Conference Review was distributed for information. More information on conference sessions can be found on the ARPA website.

To align with this year's conference theme of "Growing Recreation Together", the conference collaborated with the Alberta Therapeutic Recreation Association (ATRA). This allowed participants to build partnerships and share information in the parks and recreation field.

Regional Reports

Verbal reports were given for each region.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee will be held on Wednesday March 11, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. at the County Centre, Nisku, Alberta.

Information Items

Not any.

Adjournment

Motion: Ginger Collisson – that the meeting be adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Carried Unanimously

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Ronald W. Patuck".

Chairperson

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "D. Collisson".

Director