

1. Order and roll call

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 11, 2025, by the Chair, Mary Ann MacDonald, Beaumont representative, with the following committee members present:

- Tanni Doblanko – Leduc County Mayor
- Cindy Miller – Thorsby representative
- Chris Hahn – Calmar representative
- Missy Chehayeb – Leduc representative

Other attendees:

- Dean Ohnysty – Director, Community Services
- Andrea Oneski – Supervisor, Community Programs
- Victoria Fulton – Administrative Assistant

Regrets:

- Dal Virdi – Leduc County Councillor

2. Jubilee Park Campground Site Tour

Dean led the committee on a tour of the day-use area and campground, highlighting the amenities and services each location provides to the community.

3. Agenda Adoption

10-2025 Mary Ann MacDonald – that the agenda for the September 10, 2025, Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee meeting be adopted as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

4. Adoption of previous minutes

11-2025 Missy Chehayeb – that the minutes from the June 11, 2024, Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee meeting be adopted as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

05. Department reports and recommendations**a) Recreation programs update**

Andrea provided an overview of upcoming programs and events for the summer season, including:

- Schedule of Lego, cooking, creator and amazing race summer camps from July 8 to August 12.
- Community events to be held from June 19 to August 16, including Parks Day, ice cream socials, and a puppet show.
- Schedule of youth day trips, Activate & Movie and Snow Valley Aerial Park, from July 28 to August 20.

- Schedule of Park and Play drop-in times and locations at the East Vistas Diamond Estates Park, New Sarepta Centennial Park, and Warburg Community Park.
- Highlighted Leduc County Days to be held on June 19 at Sunnybrook Community Hall, and on August 14 at the New Sarepta Agriplex.

11-2025 Missy Chehayeb – that the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee receives the recreation programs update as information.

Carried Unanimously

6. Information items

a) Department Activity Report:

Dean provided the following administration updates as information:

Business Plan

- The 2026 Winter Initiatives are being developed with an approved annual budget of \$15,000. The initiative will include a commitment agreement with the Wizard Lake Watershed Association to host the Try It Festival each February, as well as winter walking activities at Jubilee Park.
- The Council Policy committee reviewed the partnership policy in May and will be presented at Council in June for approval.
- An athletic field consultant will soon be selected to do a feasibility study with a plan to be presented to Council in Q1 2026.

Community Partnerships

- The East Vistas playground is scheduled to be completed by July 1 with an opening celebration scheduled on July 5.

Cost Share

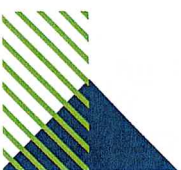
- Council approved the recreation cost-share agreements with the City of Beaumont, the Town of Thorsby, and the Village of Warburg. The City of Leduc agreement was approved and signed in 2024. The Town of Calmar agreement will be brought to Council in July.
- Council approved the 2024 final payments and the 2025 budget payments for the Village of Warburg and the Town of Thorsby. The Town of Calmar payments will go to Council in July.

Community Facilities

- The Leduc Library Board presented to Council a feasibility study that reviewed the need for a stand-alone library in New Sarepta.
- The Provincial CFEP grant announcements are anticipated at the end of the month. Leduc County has committed to support the New Sarepta Agriplex with a matching grant to support a new ice plant condenser for the arena.
- The front entrance and accessibility ramp renovation project at Rollyview Hall is almost complete. This project was supported by Leduc County and funding received from CFEP.

Community Resources and Support

- Andrea highlighted the resources and support services Leduc County offers community organizations, including workshops, webinars, and grant support. She also shared information on



the lend-out program and highlighted upcoming community events that utilize these County resources.

Parks Operations - Campgrounds

- All campgrounds opened in May. Administration will support the new campground manager during the transition to operating and managing Jubilee Park Campground.

Parks - General

- Contractors have begun construction of the new playground at the East Vistas with completion anticipated in July.
- Over 100,000 trees were planted along Blackmud Creek to support the naturalization of the area.

Recreation - Programs

- The Leduc County Scavenger Hunt in April was a huge success, with over 67 groups participating in more than 1,000 activity challenges.
- The Try-a-Trail program was held in May, promoting trail locations and amenities throughout Leduc County.
- Summer camps and day trip programs are now open for registration on the Leduc County website.

Recreation – Events and Community Support

- The Go Girl workshop celebrated its 15th Anniversary, with 63 girls who participated in various activities.
- Leduc County celebrated Recreation Parks month in June, encouraging residents to visit and enjoy recreation and park amenities throughout Leduc County.
- Leduc County Days will be held at Sunnybrook on June 19 and at the New Sarepta Agriplex on August 14, featuring a free BBQ, a variety of activities and department presentations for residents to enjoy.
- Parks Day was celebrated on July 12 at the Jubilee Park Day-use area, offering fun activities for families of all ages.

12-2025 Cindy Miller – that the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee receives the department activity report as information.

Carried Unanimously

6. Regional Reports

There were no regional reports.

7. Next Meeting – September 10, 2025, at Leduc County Operations, C&OC Boardroom

Adjournment

13-2025 Mary Ann MacDonald - that the PRAC meeting be adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Carried Unanimously


Chairman


Director