

Minutes of a Meeting of the Environmental Advisory Committee held in the St. Albert Business Centre, on the above date at 6:00 pm.

Present

Councillor N. Joly
A. Lefebvre
B. Marsh
B. Peori
B. Thronndson
T. Fulton

Absent

T. Doran

Staff

C. Benson, Manager, Environment
M. Myers, Environmental Coordinator – Community Strategy & Engagement

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The Chair declared the agenda adopted as presented.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The Chair declared the minutes of September 26, 2019 adopted as presented.

Environment Initiatives Grant Program - In Camera

Moved by: B. Thronndson

That the Environmental Advisory Committee move in camera to consider the Environment Initiative Grant Program in accordance with the provisions of Section 16 - Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party and Section 25 - Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c.F-25, as amended.

CARRIED

The Committee met in camera from 6:03 p.m. to 7:37 p.m.

Councillor Joly departed the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Moved by: B. Thronndson

That the Board reconvene in public
CARRIED

Moved by: B. Marsh

That the details of the in camera discussion remain confidential pursuant to section 153(e) of the *Municipal Government Act*.
CARRIED

Moved by: A. Lefebvre

That the Environmental Advisory Committee recommend to Council that the following Environmental Initiatives Grant Program applications be approved:

Applicant	Project Description	Grant Allocation
Bertha Kennedy Elementary School	Bertha Kennedy's Learning Garden project will provide an outdoor learning space that includes bee houses, hummingbird feeder, birdhouses, feeders and baths. As well as an orchard of native berry trees and an outdoor garden of pollinator plants.	\$4000.00
Joe Demko School	Funding would be used to build an urban farm inside and outside the school. Seeds will be started indoors and then planted in garden boxes in the spring.	\$2000.00
Lacombe Park Garden and Connection Place	Funding would be used to design and create (phase 1) a garden that includes educational and gathering spaces through a multi-year, phased design plan on the property of the Grace Family Church	\$5190.00
Sister Alphonse Academy	The funding would be used to develop an edible learning garden on school property including garden boxes and fruit bearing trees.	\$2000.00
St. Albert Tool Library Society	Funding would be used to assist with the purchase of tools that the society could not purchase second hand or get donated. In addition, assist with one more year of getting the tool library running sufficiently.	\$3850.00
Empower Me	Funding will be used to implement education programming on energy and utilities conservation (including waste and transit use) to the under-	\$5000.00

	served and under-represented residents in St. Albert.	
Keenoshayo Elementary School	Funding will be used to create a Green Team environment club and pursue projects like regular schoolyard clean ups, plastic bag recycling collection, school PSAs and classroom energy checks.	\$865.00
Outreach High School	Funds will be used to revitalize outdoor space of the school with garden boxes and native species in addition utilizing an existing greenhouse.	\$1650.00
Paul Kane High School Environmental Leadership	Environmental Leadership club will use the funds for elementary school environmental presentations.	\$1645.00
Ronald Harvey Elementary School	Transform outdoor space into an outdoor classroom by adding outdoor planters, seating, and trees and shrubs.	\$2000.00
WILDNorth	Funds will be used to continue the wildlife rehabilitation and rescue care programs in St. Albert.	\$5000.00
	TOTAL	\$33200.00

CARRIED

Moved by: B. Thronson

That EAC recommend WILDNorth be funded with ongoing funds separately beginning 2021.

CARRIED

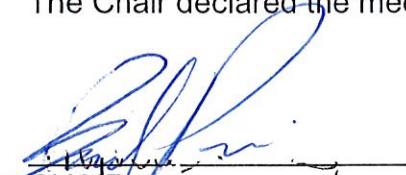
ROUND TABLE

- A. Lefebvre mentioned she reapplied for EAC for a second term and commented on M. Wheatley resigning from the Committee.
- Energy Specialist will be interviewed tomorrow, and Environment branch will have someone in place by next meeting.
- EAC Annual Report – format still working for the Committee? Start drafting that for approval at the next meeting. Current format working for the Committee to present their annual report to Council. No changes required.
- Discussion on the Grant Application Mentorship Program. I was mentioned that repeated connections with the applicant proved to be beneficial.
- Notice of Motion on governance approved. Councilors are not going to be voting members on the Committees of Council.

NEXT MEETING – November 28, 2019

ADJOURNMENT

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.


CHAIR


DESIGNATED OFFICER