



Minutes of the **Reconciliation Lethbridge Advisory Committee** held on **January 15, 2021**
on **MICROSOFT TEAMS (VIRTUALLY)** with the following attendance:

PRESENT:

Member, Co-Chair	P. Wilson
Member, Co-Chair	T. Tallow
Deputy Mayor	S.R. Miyashiro
Member, Business Representative	C. Vos
Member	A. Scout
Member	J. Head
Member	L. Saloff
Member, Education Representative	M. Bruised Head
Member, Education Representative	A. Bruised Head
Member, Education Representative	J. Chief Calf

OTHERS:

City Manager	C. Dalton
City Councillor	J.H. Carlson
City Councillor	B.E. Hyggen
Indigenous Relations Advisor	P. Stein
Indigenous Relations Coordinator	P. Beebe
First Nations Health Consortium	K. Tailfeathers
Legislative Services	A. Moncrieff
Legislative Services	J. Brown
Lethbridge Public Library, CEO	T. Plato
Public	J. Firth
Sik-Ooh-Kotoki Friendship Society	S. Singer
Waste & Recycling	N. Bueckert

ABSENT:

Member	L. Vonkeman
Member	T. Plaited Hair
Member	K. Jo Rabbit
Member, Mayor	C.A. Spearman
Member, Education Representative	M. Black Water

Note: Members attended remotely pursuant to Section 199(1) of the Municipal Government Act, R.S.A. 2000, c. M-26.

P. Wilson called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.

1. Welcome

1.1. Acknowledgment Statement

1.2 Blackfoot Prayer – *Mike Bruised Head*

2. Approval of the Minutes: December 18, 2020

RLA-01-15-2021 – 013:

S.R. MIYASHIRO / A. BRUISED HEAD:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of December 18, 2020 be approved, as amended, to better articulate who participated in the *Incamera* session.

----- Carried by consensus.

3. Adoption of Agenda: January 15, 2021

RLA-01-15-2021 – 014:

S.R. MIYASHIRO / C. VOS:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the December 18, 2020 Agenda be adopted as amended to include:

- 4.4. Blackfoot Family Lodge – Mural Funding; and
- 4.5. Canadian Sociological Association Conference Participation – Funding Request.

----- Carried by consensus.

4. Agenda Items:

4.1. Alli Moncrieff, Legislative Services re: Election of Co-Chairs

A. Moncrieff assumed the Chair.

A. Scout, Member, nominated T. Tallow, Member, as Co-Chair for the Reconciliation Lethbridge Advisory Committee.

T. Tallow, Member, nominated P. Wilson, Member, as Co-Chair for the Reconciliation Lethbridge Advisory Committee.

J. Chief Calf, Member, nominated both T. Tallow, Member, and P. Wilson, Member, as Co-Chairs for the Reconciliation Lethbridge Advisory Committee.

The nominations were accepted.

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There were no further nominations.

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T. Tallow, Member, and P. Wilson, Member, were declared elected through acclamation as Co-Chairs for the 2021 Reconciliation Lethbridge Advisory Committee year.

P. Wilson, Co-Chair, assumed the Chair.

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**4.2. Craig Dalton, City Manager re: City Governance & Projects Discussion
(Postponed to 10:30 a.m.)**

C. Dalton, City Manager, provided an overview of the reporting structure of the new Standing Policy Committee model.

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4.3. Treena Tallow, Co-Chair and Patrick Wilson, Co-Chair re: Indigenous Representation on City Council Boards, Commissions and Committees

The Committee discussed:

- Recruitment and retention of Indigenous membership on Committees;
- Identification of barriers to Board, Commission or Committee (BCC) participation;
- Enhancing cultural competency and learning on the various BCCs;
- Subject matter of BCCs – enhancing meaningful engagement;
- What resources may be available within the City and community spaces.

The following motion was presented:

RLA-01-15-2021 – 015:
T. TALLOW / M. BRUISED HEAD:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT *the Reconciliation Lethbridge Advisory Committee direct the deployment of resources within the City of Lethbridge to investigate and research the best ways to increase Indigenous representation on City Council Boards, Commissions and Committees, including creation of an inventory of City Boards, Commissions and Committees to identify opportunities and gaps.*

----- **Carried by consensus.**

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4.4. Blackfoot Family Lodge – Mural Funding

P. Stein, Indigenous Relations Advisor, provided an overview of the project and presented options. The Committee directed P. Stein to return to the Public Art Committee and discuss alternative options, returning back to RLAC for a more fulsome discussion and decision.

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4.5. Canadian Sociological Association Conference Participation – Funding Request

The following motion was presented:

RLA-01-15-2021 – 016:

A. SCOUT / L. SALOFF:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT \$525 be allocated from the Reconciliation Lethbridge Advisory Committee budget to cover both the conference registration and membership fees for M. Black Water and P. Stein.

----- Carried by consensus.

5. Subcommittee Updates:

5.1. Strategic Planning Subcommittee

No update.

5.2. Substance Use Discussion Paper Subcommittee

No update; next meeting January 18, 2021. T. Tallow offered to Chair the January meeting.

5.3. LPS & Media Subcommittee

P. Wilson provided an update. The subcommittee met in December; dedicated print/radio/television space for Indigenous issues; draft document created that the subcommittee is working on next week. Will provide an update in February. Discussion around media representation.

5.4. Businesses Engaged in Reconciliation Subcommittee

P. Wilson advised he would touch base with the subcommittee to provide an update for February.

5.5. School Curriculum Changes Subcommittee

P. Wilson provided a summary of the January 14, 2021 subcommittee meeting; was going to network with school administrators; P. Stein mentioned including RLAC's education representatives in the discussion.

5.6. Smoking Bylaw Subcommittee

P. Beebe, Indigenous Relations Coordinator, provided an update; B. Loewen will be attending a future Cultural and Social Standing Policy Committee meeting on the topic.

6. Roundtable

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6.1. Amanda Scout

Inquired about extending the meeting time; congratulations to Co-Chairs on re-election.

- 6.2. Annette Bruised Head**
- 6.3. Chris Spearman – Mayor**
- 6.4. Cyndi Vos**
- 6.5. Jerry Firth**
- 6.6. John Chief Calf**

Thank you for work done on the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls Work Plan and Budget leading to its approval; thank you to Treena and Patrick for their work as Co-Chairs.

- 6.7. Jordan Head**
- 6.8. Katie Jo Rabbit**
- 6.9. Les Vonkeman**
- 6.10. Louise Saloff**

Lead a land acknowledgment for the Alberta Counsel on Academic Integrity; recently featured in the *Wider Horizons* Lethbridge College magazine – [article on the Grandparent Elders at the College and the work that they do](#); would like to contribute to the School Curriculum Subcommittee.

Action: A. Moncrieff to add L. Saloff to the School Curriculum Subcommittee.

6.11. Marcia Black Water

6.12. Mike Bruised Head

Helped to work on a “History of Lethbridge” booklet with Planning and Development; City Council will be reviewing the document when it reviews the Municipal Development Plan in the near future.

6.13. Nicole Geske

Thanked the Committee.

- 6.14. Patrick Wilson**
- 6.15. Rob Miyashiro – Deputy Mayor**
- 6.16. Sara Strickland**

Thanked the Committee and looking forward to the work ahead.

6.17. Shawn Singer

Wished everyone a safe and good weekend; thanked Committee members.

6.18. Treena Tallow

Introduced herself for new members; thanked Administration for their support.

6.19. Non-Member Roundtable Addition

P. Stein:

Will start sending out project updates with all Agendas so everyone has a broader idea about the Indigenous Relations projects ongoing at the City;

J. Brown:

At the meeting as an observer;

T. Plato:

No update.

A. Moncrieff:

Thanked the Committee.

D. Richard:

No update.

7. Adjourn:

The January 15, 2021 meeting of the Reconciliation Lethbridge Advisory Committee adjourned at 11:41 a.m. until February 19, 2021.

8. Next Meeting Dates:

- ❖ February 19, 2021 – Microsoft Teams – 9 AM – 11 AM
- ❖ March 19, 2021 – TBD – 9 AM – 11 AM
- ❖ April 16, 2021 – TBD – 9 AM – 11 AM

Parking Lot:

Item:	Date Parked:	Tentative Return Date:
Strategic Workshop Check-In	<i>Every Six Months</i>	February 19, 2021
Lethbridge Entertainment Centre	August 7, 2020	February 19, 2021
Subcommittee Updates	<i>New Standing Item on Agenda</i>	February 19, 2021
Galt Museum Director Introduction	January 15, 2021	February 19, 2021

**** Note:** *Items are subject to change when the Co-Chairs set the Agenda prior to the subsequent meeting.*

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