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# Convention Primer

The AMM Annual Convention is three days of keynote speakers, plenary sessions, social events, and displays. Because there is so much to see and do at Convention, we have assembled a few tips to help enhance your experience:

1. **Register:** Once you've registered, be sure to review this handbook carefully! It includes your agenda, resolutions, and much more information.
2. **Check your name badge:** For those attending the Gala, your gala ticket details will be printed on your delegate badge.
3. **Be ready to vote:** If you are eligible to vote, you will be assigned a handheld electronic voting device upon sign-in at the registration desk. All elected officials and Chief Administrative Officers have voting privileges.
4. **See the sights:** Our Convention Display Area is an event in itself—make sure you pick a time to walk through and experience it with your Council.
5. **See the Ministers:** Visit the Manitoba Municipal Relations desk for a one-stop spot to check times and locations for meetings with the Province.
6. **Watch the screens:** Keep an eye on the screens in the main plenary room for a constant, visual reminder of what's happening each day. Any changes to the agenda will be shown on these screens, too.
7. **Meet your neighbours:** Convention is a time to not only come together with your Council, but also with your counterparts from across the province to share, learn, and network.
8. **Above all - enjoy yourself!**

# Messages



*A Message from*  
**RALPH GROENING**  
**PRESIDENT OF THE**  
**ASSOCIATION OF MANITOBA MUNICIPALITIES**

On behalf of the Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) Board of Directors, welcome to Brandon for the 21st Annual AMM Convention.

With the provincial and federal elections now behind us, 'Together Towards Tomorrow' is a fitting theme this Convention, as we bring our voices together to ensure our need for partnerships is heard loud and clear.

You will hear provincial and federal leaders over the coming days, and have the chance to ask direct questions of provincial leaders during the Ministerial Forum. Resolution sessions are sure to generate healthy debate, breakout sessions will inform, and opportunities for learning will abound to help you navigate the 'tomorrow's' ahead.

Please take time to visit our Display Area and chat with your suppliers throughout the week. And be sure to make time for leisure, too. Monday's Icebreaker is always a fun evening, and Tuesday's Gala will see two honourary life members recognized and the return of the amazing Johnny Bagpipes.

Convention is a time to come together as elected officials, colleagues, and friends. And together, we will face whatever tomorrow brings with unity, strength and the wisdom that comes from being the order of government 'closest to the people'.

Enjoy your 21st Annual Convention!

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ralph Groening".



*A Message from*  
**RICK CHREST**  
**MAYOR OF THE CITY OF BRANDON**

On behalf of myself and your colleagues on Brandon City Council, and the 50,000 residents of our fine City, let me welcome each and every one of you to the 2019 Annual Convention. It is a significant badge of honour that we are able to host this very large and auspicious gathering every second year, and we trust our facilities and hospitality will measure up to your needs.

I extend a special welcome and thank you to my fellow elected officials as well as municipal staff, volunteers, sponsors, exhibitors, speakers and AMM Board and personnel. There are a lot of moving parts to such a large conference, and we are grateful to all who play a role in making it happen.

I also want to add a special congratulations and thank you to Mr. Joe Masi, our long time Executive Director, who will soon be embarking on a well-deserved retirement. Joe's service and leadership to AMM has been exemplary, he has become a friend and advisor to a great many municipal officials over his career, and he leaves behind a significant legacy of contributions not the least of which is a well-run, healthy, highly credible organization representing every municipality in this province. We all wish Joe and Joyce a glorious retirement enjoying all that lies ahead filled with health and happiness.

Once again, welcome to Brandon and best wishes to one and all for another informative, rewarding and enjoyable conference together.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Rick Chrest".

# Messages



## *A Message from the Honourable*

BRIAN PALLISTER

PREMIER OF THE PROVINCE OF MANITOBA

On behalf of all Manitobans, I am pleased to welcome those attending the 2019 Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) Annual Convention in Brandon, Manitoba.

I note the theme of this year's conference is "Together Towards Tomorrow". It is a celebration of the strong leadership that the AMM has contributed to Manitoba for the past two decades, as well as the important role it will play as focal governments throughout our province prepare to address the many challenges they will encounter in the years to come.

This year's theme also reminds us of the important contributions made by so many Manitobans to their communities as Mayors, Reeves and Councilors, both past and present. Public service is a demanding role, made easier by the sense of satisfaction we each derive from making a positive difference in our respective communities.

I join our fellow Manitobans in expressing our appreciation to all the members of the Association of Manitoba Municipalities, for their leadership and commitment to making our communities safer and stronger. The important work you are doing today will ensure a brighter future for all Manitobans.



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brian Pallister".



## *A Message from the Honourable*

JANICE C. FILMON, C.M., O.M.

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF MANITOBA

As the Queen's representative in Manitoba, I am pleased to welcome the delegates, organizers and volunteers to Brandon for the Association of Manitoba Municipalities' (AMM) Annual Convention.

This year's conference theme, Together Towards Tomorrow, celebrates your organization's more than two decades of service to your members, as well as the many positive contributions made by each municipality to the overall strength and prosperity of our province.

Your progressive message will be further strengthened by your outstanding roster of guest speakers, including a decorated war hero and a pioneering scientist, who will undoubtedly inspire delegates with their stories of remarkable courage and leadership.

Congratulations to the AMM board of directors and staff for your shared commitment to provincial public service excellence by providing an effective voice for our province's network of municipalities.

I wish you continued success and an inspiring, productive conference for all.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Janice Filmon".

Together Towards Tomorrow

# Board of Directors

President

**Reeve Ralph Groening**  
RM of Morris



Vice-President

**Reeve Kam Blight**  
RM of Portage la Prairie



Vice-President

**Reeve Brad Saluk**  
RM of Brokenhead



## BY DISTRICT

### WESTERN

Argyle, RM  
Boissevain-Morton,  
Municipality  
Brandon, City  
Brenda-Waskada,  
Municipality  
Carberry, Town  
Cartwright-Roblin  
Municipality  
Cornwallis, RM  
Deloraine-Winchester,  
Municipality  
Elton, RM  
Glenboro-South Cypress,  
Municipality  
Grassland, Municipality  
Killarney-Turtle Mountain,  
Municipality  
Melita, Town

Western Director  
**Councillor Rhonda Coupland**  
Municipality of Boissevain-Morton



Western Director  
**Mayor Stuart Olmstead**  
Town of Carberry



North Cypress-Langford,  
Municipality  
Oakland-Wawanesa,  
Municipality  
Pipestone, RM  
Prairie Lakes, RM  
Riverdale, Municipality

Sifton, RM  
Souris-Glenwood,  
Municipality  
Two Borders, Municipality  
Virden, Town  
Wallace-Woodworth, RM  
Whitehead, RM

# Board of Directors

## EASTERN

Alexander, RM  
Beausejour, Town  
Brokenhead, RM  
De Salaberry, RM  
East St. Paul, RM  
Emerson-Franklin, Municipality  
Hanover, RM  
La Broquerie, RM  
Lac du Bonnet, RM  
Lac du Bonnet, Town  
Montcalm, RM  
Morris, Town  
Niverville, Town  
Pinawa, LGD  
Piney, RM  
Powerview-Pine Falls, Town

Eastern Director  
**Reeve Stan Toews**  
RM of Hanover



Eastern Director  
**Councillor Melanie Parent**  
RM of Piney



## CENTRAL

Altona, Town  
Carman, Town  
Cartier, RM  
Dufferin, RM  
Grey, RM  
Headingley, RM  
Lorne, Municipality  
Louise, Municipality  
Macdonald, RM  
Morden, City  
Morris, RM  
Norfolk Treherne, Municipality  
North Norfolk, Municipality  
Pembina, Municipality

Central Director  
**Reeve Morris Olafson**  
RM of Stanley



Central Director  
**Mayor Martin Harder**  
City of Winkler



Portage la Prairie, City  
Portage la Prairie, RM  
Rhineland, Municipality  
Roland, RM

Stanley, RM  
Thompson, RM  
Victoria, RM  
Winkler, City

# Board of Directors

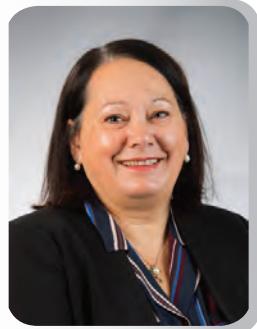
## INTERLAKE

Arbog, Town  
Armstrong, RM  
Bifrost-Riverton, Municipality  
Coldwell, RM  
Dunnottar, Village  
Fisher, RM  
Gimli, RM  
Grahamdale, RM  
Rockwood, RM  
Rosser, RM  
St. Andrews, RM  
St. François Xavier, RM  
St. Laurent, RM  
Selkirk, City

Interlake Director  
**Councillor Kelly Cook**  
City of Selkirk



Interlake Director  
**Reeve Cheryl Smith**  
RM of St. Laurent



## MIDWESTERN

Clanwilliam-Erickson,  
Municipality  
Ellice-Archie, RM  
Glenella-Lansdowne,  
Municipality  
Ham iota Municipality  
Harrison Park, Municipality  
Minnedosa, Town  
Minto-Odanah, RM  
Neepawa, Town  
Oakview, RM  
Prairie View Municipality  
Riding Mountain West, RM  
Rosedale, RM

Midwestern Director  
**Councillor Murray Parrott**  
Town of Neepawa



Midwestern Director  
**Mayor Merv Starzyk**  
RM of Yellowhead



# Board of Directors

## NORTHERN

Churchill, Town  
Flin Flon, City  
Gillam, Town  
Grand Rapids, Town  
Leaf Rapids, Town  
Lynn Lake, Town  
Mystery Lake, LGD  
Snow Lake, Town  
The Pas, Town  
Thompson, City

Northern Director  
**Councillor Karen MacKinnon**  
City of Flin Flon



Northern Director  
**Councillor Kathy Valentino**  
City of Thompson



## PARKLAND

Alonsa, RM  
Dauphin, City  
Dauphin, RM  
Ethelbert, Municipality  
Gilbert Plains Municipality  
Grandview Municipality  
Roblin, Municipality  
Kelsey, RM  
Lakeshore, RM  
McCreary, Municipality  
Minitonas-Bowsman,  
Municipality  
Mossey River Municipality

Parkland Director  
**Councillor Jim Manchur**  
Gilbert Plains Municipality



Parkland Director  
**Reeve Ron Kostyshyn**  
Mossey River Municipality



Mountain, RM  
Ste. Rose, Municipality  
Swan River, Town



**Councillor Jeff Browaty**  
City of Winnipeg

**President Chad Davies**  
Manitoba Municipal Administrators  
Association



# AMM Staff



## **Joe Masi**

Executive Director

Joe coordinates the overall activities and business affairs of the AMM. Joe reports to the Board of Directors, interacts with the Executive Committee and Standing Committees, and ensures that the AMM by-laws, policies and procedures are maintained.



## **Linda Hargest**

Director of Administration & Marketing

Linda manages the administrative and financial procedures for the AMM and MTCML. Linda is also responsible for overseeing Event and Education planning.



## **Denys Volkov**

Director of Advocacy & Communications

Denys coordinates and develops the advocacy activities of the AMM. Denys is also responsible for coordinating the resolutions process and the communication strategy of the AMM.

# AMM Staff



## **Nick Krawetz**

### Senior Policy and Communications Analyst

Nick provides in-depth research and analysis of key municipal issues across provincial and federal departments. Nick drafts AMM position papers, provides content for the AMM magazine and assists with the AMM resolutions process.



## **Patti De Baets**

### Finance Coordinator

Patti is responsible for the invoicing and accounting of both the AMM and MTCML. She is also responsible for taking and shipping orders to municipalities.



## **Donna Belbin**

### Events Coordinator

Donna assists in the planning and organizing of the AMM Annual Convention, June District Meetings, Municipal Officials Seminar, AMM Education Program, Mayors, Reeves and CAO meetings, Municipal District meetings, and other special events.

# In Memoriam

<b>Rene Alarie</b> RM of Mossey River Councillor 1980-1985	<b>William Bryan</b> Town of Killarney Councillor 1971-1974/1981-1986	<b>Peter Dyck</b> City of Steinbach Councillor 1989-1992	<b>Aime Gaultier</b> RM of St. Laurent Reeve 1989-1998
<b>Ben Allard</b> RM of St. Laurent Councillor 1980-1983	<b>Vera Cardinal</b> RM of Lac du Bonnet Councillor 2008-2013	<b>Wilfred Jack Forsyth</b> Town of Snow Lake Mayor 1984-1995	<b>Aimé Gauthier</b> Village of St-Pierre-Jolys Councillor/Mayor 1983-1986
<b>Bernard Ayotte</b> RM of Montcalm CAO 1950-1978	<b>Denis Carriere</b> RM of St. Laurent Councillor/Reeve 1995-1998/1998-2007	<b>James Fossum</b> RM of Saskatchewan Councillor 1984-1998	<b>Fred Glass</b> RM of St. Laurent Councillor 1983-1989/1995-1998
<b>Kenneth Bayes</b> RM of Saskatchewan/ RM of Oakview Councillor 1998-2015	<b>John Chartrand</b> RM of St. Laurent Councillor 1975-1983	<b>Don Foster</b> Village of Glenboro CAO 1964-2005	<b>Ernest (Ernie) Hickson</b> RM of Elton Councillor 1966-1971
<b>Michael K. Bellew</b> Municipality of Killarney-Turtle Mountain Councillor 2010-2018	<b>A. E. Christensen</b> RM of West St. Paul Councillor/Mayor 1949-1957/1958-1969	<b>Ray Frey</b> RM of St. Clements Councillor 2002-2018	<b>Bill Huston</b> RM of Harrison/ Municipality of Harrison Park Councillor 2010-2014/2015-2018
<b>Lorenz Borkowsky</b> RM of Hanover Councillor 1970-1983/1998-2006	<b>Jim R. Conner</b> City of Flin Flon Councillor/Mayor 1961-1962/1963-1964	<b>Jake N. Friesen</b> RM of Hanover Councillor 1973-1978-1986/2002-2006	<b>David (Bunk) Inkster</b> RM of Oakland/ Municipality of Oakland-Wawanesta Reeve/Head of Council 1986-2002/2006-2016
<b>George Born</b> RM of Hanover Councillor 1981-1992	<b>Hugh Crottatt</b> RM of St. Laurent Councillor 1977-1983	<b>Allan Friesen</b> RM of Minitonas Councillor 1978-1981	<b>John Jackson</b> RM of Pipestone Councillor 2002-2006
<b>Stuart Briese</b> RM of Langford Councillor/Deputy Reeve 1986-2006	<b>Felix Desrochers</b> RM of Victoria Councillor 1992-2002	<b>John Froese</b> RM of Roland Councillor 1998-2002	<b>Fred Jackson</b> RM of North Cypress/ Municipality of North Cypress-Langford Councillor 2002-2010/2014-2019
<b>Ken Briggs</b> Town of Hamiota Councillor 1987-2002	<b>Jim Dola</b> Town of Teulon Councillor/Deputy Mayor 2002-2018	<b>Paul Gagnon</b> RM of Ritchot Councillor 1989-1992	<b>Lorne Johnson</b> RM of St. Laurent Councillor 1975-1980/1983-1995
<b>Robert (Bob) Bruneau</b> RM of Lac du Bonnet Deputy Reeve 1998-2014	<b>Merv Drayson</b> RM of Langford Reeve 1979-1989	<b>Bryan Gallaway</b> Gilbert Plains Municipality Councillor 2015-2019	

# In Memoriam

<b>Jeff Johnston</b> Municipality of Deloraine-Winchester Councillor 2015-2018	<b>Roland Marion</b> RM of Montcalm Councillor 1974-1989	<b>Alfred Nunn</b> RM of North Norfolk Councillor 1980-1986	<b>Heather Rothnie</b> Town of Hamiota Councillor 2006-2014
<b>Cyril Joye</b> RM of Whitewater Councillor 1976-1977	<b>George Marshall</b> City of Transcona/City of Winnipeg Councillor 1966-1971/1986-1989	<b>Stanley Oleson</b> Village of Glenboro Secretary-Treasurer/ Mayor 1956-1964/1969-1973	<b>Robert Seward</b> RM of Pembina Councillor 2010-2014
<b>Yves Kerbrat</b> RM of St. Laurent Reeve 1975-1983	<b>Gordon McGowan</b> Town of Hartney Councillor 1989-1992/1995-1998	<b>Ivan Olmstead</b> Town of Carberry Councillor 1995-2002	<b>Keith Smith</b> Town of Teulon Councillor 2002-2010
<b>Huntley Knox</b> RM of Thompson Councillor/Deputy Reeve 2006-2014/2014-2019	<b>Albert McTavish</b> Town of Gillam Councillor/Mayor 2000-2010	<b>William (Bill) Pasaluko</b> RM of Alexander Councillor 1998-2002/2014-2017	<b>Victor Starchuk</b> RM of Park/RM of Shell River Councillor 1998-2006/2007-2010
<b>Ernie Kowal</b> RM of Shoal Lake Councillor 1989-2010	<b>Fred Minty</b> RM of Park Councillor 1969-1983	<b>Ken Pascal</b> RM of Mossey River Councillor 1986-1999	<b>Jim Swidersky</b> RM of Stuartburn Councillor/Reeve 2002-2006/2006-2018
<b>Danny Kowbel</b> RM of Elton Councillor 2005-2018	<b>Willard Moffett</b> RM of Strathclair Councillor 1986-1998	<b>Casmir Petaski</b> RM of St. Clements Councillor 1986-1989	<b>Ralph Wang</b> RM of Edward Councillor/Reeve 1975-1980/1980-2014
<b>Doug Laing</b> RM of Piney Councillor 2012-2014	<b>Ian Munroe</b> Town of Grand Rapids Councillor 2010-2018	<b>Marella Philippon</b> RM of Grahamdale Councillor 1984-1998/2018-2019	<b>Robert White</b> RM of Rosser Councillor 1992-2006
<b>Harold Lamb</b> Town of Killarney CAO 1989-1998	<b>Clayton Murray</b> RM of Saskatchewan Councillor/Reeve 1976-1983/1983-2002	<b>Earl Porter</b> City of Portage la Prairie Councillor/Mayor 1998-2006/2010-2014	<b>Barry Williams</b> Village of Glenboro Mayor 1977-1980
<b>Laurie Lea</b> RM of Pembina Councillor 1979-1982	<b>Roy Nichol</b> RM of Whitemouth Councillor 2010-2018	<b>Peter Rehaluk</b> RM of Ethelbert/ Village of Ethelbert Councillor 1958-1977/1983-1985	<b>Edward Wyntick</b> RM of Argyle Councillor 1976-1985
<b>Henri L'Heureux</b> RM of St. Laurent Reeve 1983-1989	<b>Gunnar Norberg</b> RM of Rosser Councillor 1977-1995	<b>(Robert) Neil Ronald</b> RM of Portage la Prairie Councillor 1984-2002	<b>Linda Zelenesky</b> Town of Gillam Councillor 1983-1989

# Convention Essentials

*This handbook offers blank pages in the back for you to jot down your notes. You can also check the AMM website at [www.amm.mb.ca](http://www.amm.mb.ca) following Convention for presentation recaps.*

## Registration

### *City Square*

• Monday, November 25	9:00 am to 3:00 pm
• Tuesday, November 26	9:00 am to 3:00 pm
• Wednesday, November 27	9:00 am to 12:00 pm

**\*\*\*Please remember to RETURN your VOTING CLICKER\*\*\***

AMM staff will be collecting clickers at the end of Tuesday's agenda and on Wednesday. If you find you still have your clicker when you return home, please return it to your municipal office and they will return it to the AMM office.

## Convention Display

When the Display Area opens, be prepared to network! Dozens of displayers will be waiting to show you their great products and services available to municipalities. Take a look at the floor plan and display listing in this handbook to help you map out your journey through the Display Area.

### *City Square, Exhibition Hall and Canada Room*

• Tuesday, November 26	10:00 am to 4:00 pm
• Wednesday, November 27	9:00 am to 12:00 pm

## Ring Free Convention

Please consider your fellow delegates and Convention speakers. While sessions are on, please hold your conversations in the hallway and turn off your cell phone or put it on a silent/vibrate setting.

# Convention Essentials

## Refreshments

Coffee, tea and water will be available in the hallway outside of the UCT Pavilion on Monday and Wednesday. The refreshment stations will be available in the Display Area on Tuesday.

## Food Services

There are restaurants in Canad Inns Brandon and a number in the area of the hotel and the Keystone Centre.

## Icebreaker

Join fellow delegates and reception Sponsors on November 25 at 7:30 pm in the Manitoba Room for the Icebreaker. Icebreaker Sponsors will be in attendance during the evening; be sure to offer your thanks for their ongoing support.

- Please wear your delegate badge for entrance to this event.
- No minors.

## Gala Evening

The AMM Gala Evening will be held on November 26 in the Manitoba Room. Doors and a cash bar will open at 6:00 pm and the evening will begin at 7:00 pm.

Following dinner, the program, including the AMM Honourary Life Membership Awards will be presented.

Rounding out the evening, the AMM is pleased to bring you the 'Rock n'Roll Piper' Johnny Bagpipes!

*Remember to bring your name badge with you to locate your table.*

### ***Looking to buy or sell a Gala Ticket?***

Visit the Gala Ticket Exchange sign in the Blue Hallway outside of plenary room and leave your contact information for others that may be looking to buy or sell a ticket!

# Convention Essentials

## Draws and Prizes

The Displayers draws will take place on November 27.

The names of the lucky winners of a displayers prize will be posted at the displayers booth. Prizes must be picked up from the displayers booth by 11:00 am on that day.

All registered delegates are eligible to win the Grand Prize draw for a \$2000 trip voucher sponsored by Western Financial Group Insurance Solutions and the AMM.

Delegates do not need to be in attendance in order to claim their prize.

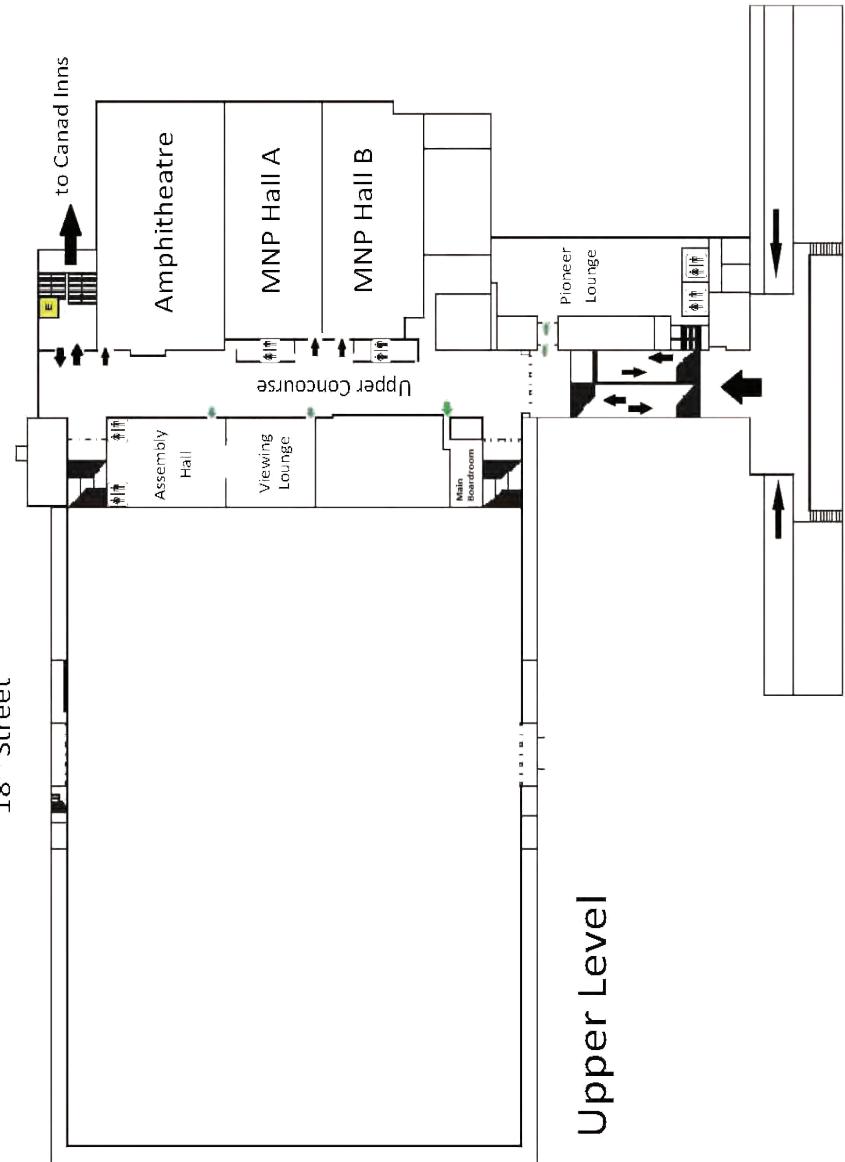
***Good luck to all delegates!***

## We are here to help!

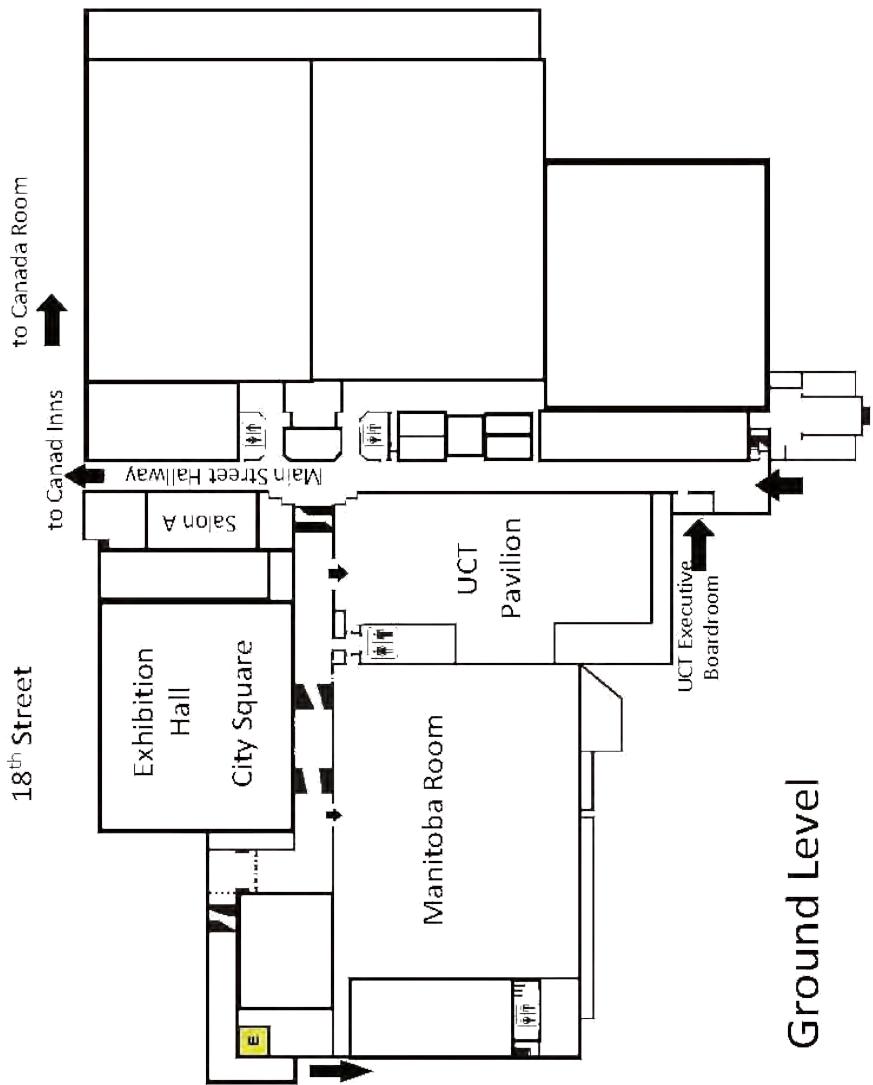
AMM staff will be available to help you at any given time throughout the Convention.

If you have any questions, please report to the Registration Desk and a staff member will be pleased assist you.

# Keystone Centre Floor Plan



# Keystone Centre Floor Plan



# Agenda

## MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25

Convention Registration - 9:00 am to 3:00 pm - City Square

*All sessions are in the UCT Pavilion unless otherwise noted.*

1:00 pm	Opening Ceremonies
1:20 pm	AMM President Ralph Groening Reeve, RM of Morris
1:40 pm	The Honourable Brian Pallister Premier of Manitoba
2:10 pm	Federal Speaker
2:40 pm Hallway outside of UCT Pavilion	Coffee Break
3:00 pm	Annual Business Meeting 2018 Convention Minutes 2018-2019 Annual Financial Report and Annual Report Review Municipal Insurance Program Convention 2019 Overview
3:30 pm	Keynote Speaker: Dr. Joe MacInnis
4:30 pm	End of Day Announcements

# Keynote Speaker



## Dr. Joe MacInnis

### **Deep Leadership: how to be a Better, Faster Leader**

Monday, November 25

Dr. Joe MacInnis is a medical doctor, explorer, and storyteller who studies leadership and teamwork in life-threatening environments from the deep ocean to outer space.

His pioneering research on undersea science and engineering projects earned him his nation's highest honour—the Order of Canada.

He's led thirty expeditions under the Pacific as well as being the team leader on two \$5-million engineering projects beneath the Arctic and Atlantic Oceans.

Based on his book, Deep Leadership: Essential Insights from High-Risk Environments, Joe's visually driven presentation features the dramatic stories of his experiences on undersea engineering projects and interviews with shuttle astronauts and soldiers serving in Afghanistan to distill what he learned about strategic imagination, the power of language, the strength of stamina and how these three principles make you a better, faster leader in your office or workplace.

Plan to attend the

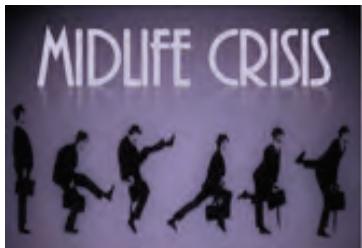
# ICEBREAKER

*Ground Level*

*Keystone Centre, Brandon  
Monday, November 25, 2019*

*7:30 pm - 12:00 am*

*Dance the night away with*



**Light hors d'oeuvres and beverages  
to be served.**

**This is a private reception open  
to AMM members and reception  
sponsors only.**

**Your respect of this policy is  
appreciated.**

*Thank you to our Icebreaker Sponsors!*



### *Municipal Officials Seminar & Trade Show*

**2020: April 15-16**

Keystone Centre, Brandon

**2021: April 14-15**

RBC Convention Centre Winnipeg

**2022: April 13-14**

Keystone Centre, Brandon

### *AMM Annual Convention*

**2020: November 23-25**

RBC Convention Centre Winnipeg

**2021: November 22-24**

Keystone Centre, Brandon

**2022: November 21-23**

RBC Convention Centre Winnipeg

# Agenda

## TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26

Convention Registration - 9:00 am to 2:00 pm - City Square

AMM Display Area - 10:00 am to 4:00 pm - City Square, Exhibition Hall & Canada Room

*All sessions are in the UCT Pavilion unless otherwise noted.*

9:00 am	Ministerial Forum
10:30 am	Coffee Break with Displayers
11:00 am	Overview of the Manitoba Works Initiative Honourable Ralph Eichler, Minister of Economic Development & Training Philip Houde, CEO of Economic Development Office Mariette Mulaire, President & CEO, World Trade Centre Colin Ferguson, President & CEO, Travel Manitoba Chuck Davidson, President & CEO, Manitoba Chambers of Commerce
12:00 pm	Break for lunch; delegates on their own.
1:00 pm	Clicker Testing
1:10 pm	Wab Kinew, Leader of the Official Opposition MLA Fort Rouge
1:25 pm	Dougald Lamont, Leader of the Manitoba Liberal Party MLA St. Boniface
1:40 pm	Pre-Budget Presentation from Scott Fielding, Minister of Finance
2:10 pm	Resolutions Session Coffee Break Resolutions resume until complete

Following the last Resolution

End of Day Announcements

Join us for the  
**AMM GALA EVENING**

KEYSTONE CENTRE, BRANDON  
MANITOBA ROOM, GROUND LEVEL

DOORS AND CASH BAR 6:00 PM  
DINNER AND PROGRAM 7:00 PM

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# Honourary Life Member



## Drew Caldwell

Born and raised in Brandon, Drew began his municipal career in 1992 when he was elected city councillor for historic downtown Rosser Ward. He was returned to city council three times before commencing a seventeen-year run as MLA for Brandon East. During his time on Brandon city council, Drew established a reputation as an activist politician, leading successful initiatives to restore low density residential zoning to his ward, develop a commercial core business improvement area and “green” the streets of Downtown Brandon. He was also very active in initiatives promoting heritage preservation, the environment, public health and poverty reduction in Brandon.

In 1997-98, Drew was elected to the provincial boards of both the Manitoba Association of Urban Municipalities and the Union of Manitoba Municipalities, commencing a passion for advancing municipal leadership in Manitoba politics. Drew served on the joint committee tasked with amalgamating these two municipal organizations and, at the conclusion of this work, was a founding director of the newly constituted Association of Manitoba Municipalities.

In 1999, Drew was elected to the Manitoba Legislature and was appointed to cabinet by Premier Gary Doer as the new government’s first Minister of Education. He subsequently held the positions of Minister of Family Services and Housing, as well as Minister of Municipal Government with responsibility for the City of Winnipeg and the Building Canada-Manitoba Infrastructure Fund. Drew also served as Legislative Assistant to both Premier Gary Doer and Premier Greg Selinger and was a member of Treasury Board.

As Minister of Family Services, Drew was of paramount importance in securing a decades-long held municipal objective of creating a single-tier social assistance program for the Province of Manitoba. During his time as Minister of Municipal Government, it was his greatest privilege to personally shepherd vital municipal infrastructure projects through Treasury Board and Cabinet. As a builder and an activist, helping municipalities achieve important community development objectives was immensely satisfying for him.

Since leaving electoral politics in 2016, Drew has divided his time between homes in Manitoba and Quebec. He remains a strong advocate for and supporter of the Association of Manitoba Municipalities.

# Honourary Life Member



## Randy Sigurdson

After completing University in Winnipeg, Randy Sigurdson began his teaching career at the Gimli High School. During this time he met Heather and they began their life together as husband and wife in 1973.

The rest of Randy's teaching career was in Arborg. As the years went by involvement in community affairs was part of town life. Curling kept the Sigurdsons active in the winter and Randy was a board member and President of the club for many years. Over time priorities changed and involvement in their children's activities took precedence.

Prior to the 1995 municipal election the Arborg mayor at the time asked Randy to let his name stand as a councillor.

Randy didn't know what it all entailed but never regretted the decision, serving on the Arborg town council for 24 years, 16 of those as Mayor.

He served on many different boards locally and throughout the Interlake, including the Interlake Development Corporation as President, Interlake Tourist Association as President, Community Futures East Interlake, East Interlake Conservation District, Regional Planning District plus numerous others.

Being in public life was very rewarding. The councils and staff Randy had the pleasure to work with were exemplary. The community itself was always supportive of council decisions however tough they may have been. Randy believes his time in municipal government would have been much shorter without these good people.

Serving as an Interlake Director on the AMM board was certainly another highlight of his career. Being part of this enabled Randy to see the issues from a different perspective and he met some interesting characters over the years and made some good friends. He enjoyed the many committees he served on such as Doctor Recruitment at Manitoba Health and the Disaster Assistance Appeal Board—important work and very rewarding.

Randy appreciates the good people at the AMM office and the professionalism that is always practiced. It is not an easy job to do everything they do for the municipal governments but seeing it first hand gives an added appreciation of its inner workings.

Randy also acknowledge his wife Heather for all the support and encouragement through the years without which these accomplishments would not have been possible. Making his life complete are son Ryan, daughter Lana, son-in-law Liam and grandsons Fynn and Lachlan.

Retirement is fulfilling. The Sigurdsons spend as much time as possible at their cottage at Silver Bay on the east side of Lake Manitoba with family and friends. They enjoy winter getaways and have enjoyed several European vacations along with transatlantic cruises. Home, however, is the place they love the best.

# Agenda

## WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27

Convention Registration - 9:00 am to 12:00 pm - City Square

AMM Display Area - 9:00 am to 12:00 pm - City Square, Exhibition Hall & Canada Room

*All sessions are in the UCT Pavilion unless otherwise noted.*

9:00 am	Breakout Sessions See the next page for session descriptions and locations.
10:20 am	Breakout Sessions See the next page for session descriptions and locations.
11:20 am	Coffee Break with Displayers
11:50 am	Break for lunch; delegates on their own.
1:00 pm	Plenary: 13 Ways to Kill Your Community Doug Griffiths
2:00 pm	Keynote Speaker: MJ Hegar
3:00 pm	Grand Prize Draw Official Closing of the 21 <sup>st</sup> Annual AMM Convention

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# Breakout Sessions

**Wednesday, November 27, 2019 – Breakout Sessions - 9:00 am to 10:00 am**

## **Cyber Security is Good Business**

Assembly Hall

*Presenter: Harvey Hjorth, Senior Managing Partner and Jeff Clark, IT Solutions Manager, Kelty iManagement*

Cyber Security, the threat is real you will be attacked. New laws in Canada demand that organizations have process and procedures in place to protect personal information, every organization in Manitoba falls under the Laws and Acts. During our presentation we will discuss how the cyber threat of today is real, it's not a matter of "IF but When" you will be targeted. We will also discuss how these cyber threats are happening and best practices of how to protect against these threats. Finally discussing how Cyber Security is GOOD BUSINESS as it pertains to a full Information Management Strategy.

## **Strengthening Codes of Conduct for Council Members – Set Your Municipality Up for Success**

MNP Hall – A Side

*Presenter: Staff from Manitoba Municipal Relations*

To ensure your municipality is prepared when The Municipal Amendment Act (Strengthening Codes of Conduct for Council Members) comes into effect on November 1, 2020 please join Manitoba Municipal Relations staff for this informative session. You will learn about: code of conduct expectations for all council members; mandatory training for all council members; the process for a complaint of a violation of the code of conduct; actions that municipalities can take if the code of conduct is not followed; the process for appeals. We will also share upcoming timelines, including when training, tools and resources will be available.

## **The New Streamlined Process to Provincial Drainage Approvals under The Water Rights Act**

MNP Hall – B Side

*Presenter: Perry Stonehouse, Manitoba Conservation & Climate*

In June 2018, the Manitoba government passed The Sustainable Watersheds Act which amends four pieces of legislation including The Water Rights Act. The Water Rights Act governs drainage and water retention in Manitoba. In October 2019, the Manitoba government passed new regulations supporting a new streamlined approach to drainage licensing through a new registration process as well as enhanced protection of wetlands through a no net loss of wetland benefits approach to water management in Manitoba. This presentation will provide an update on changes to the Water Rights Regulation and an overview of the new authorization process and online application system.

## **Police Services Act review discussion**

Pioneer Lounge

*Presenter: Dr. Rick Linden and Mark Reber, Community Safety Knowledge Alliance (CSKA)*

The review will assess how the PSA supports professional, transparent and effective delivery of police services including: perspectives on the changing context for policing and community safety; a jurisdictional scan of similar legislation, organizations and approaches; stakeholder consultations including focus groups, in-person and telephone interviews, and a survey; a gap analysis intended to identify changes needed to ensure the act meets the current and future needs of Manitobans; and a comprehensive final report detailing findings, conclusions and recommendations.

# Breakout Sessions

**Wednesday, November 27, 2019 – Breakout Sessions - 10:20 am to 11:20 am**

## **Enhancing Interpersonal Effectiveness – Comfortable and Respectful Team**

Assembly Hall

*Presenter: Todd Nadeau, Director HR Consulting and Linda Chammartin, Client Services Executive, Manitoba, People First HR Services*

Each of us brings different perspectives, approaches and styles – which contribute to the overall effectiveness of the organizations we work within. However, our individual perspectives, approaches and styles are not always aligned with the individuals and teams that we work and so we need to be aware of how our behaviours and actions impact others. Communicating in a principled (win/win) rather than positional (win/lose) manner provides a framework for effective interpersonal relationships and supports the creation of a respectful work environment. Topics in this session include how to identify what we need from one another to be effective as a team, understanding what isn't working for us as a team, figuring out why it isn't working and then exploring options we have to make it work and setting a plan into action.

## **Strengthening Codes of Conduct for Council Members – Set Your Municipality Up for Success**

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## **Recommendations to reduce the use and effects of illicit drugs within Manitoba's communities.**

MNP Hall – B Side

*Presenter: Michael Jack, Chief Corporate Services Officer, City of Winnipeg*

On December 18, 2018, Winnipeg Mayor Brian Bowman, Health, Seniors and Active Living Minister Cameron Friesen and Robert-Falcon Ouellette, Member of Parliament for Winnipeg Centre announced the creation of the Illicit Drug Task Force (IDTF), signaling a coordinated intergovernmental response to the rapid increase in the distribution and use of methamphetamine and other substances. This presentation will review the work of the IDTF, and will go through short and long-term recommendations to reduce the use and effects of illicit drugs within Manitoba's communities, with a focus on prevention, education, treatment, and enforcement and disruption of supply.

## **Manitoba's Climate and Green Plan**

Pioneer Lounge

*Presenter: Kate Rich, ADM Climate and Green Plan Implementation Office*

The Made-in-Manitoba Climate and Green office put forward a plan for Manitoba to address climate adaptation and mitigation, green jobs, water quality and conservation of our natural ecosystems. This session will review the components of the Plan, the related Climate and Green Plan Act and how the new Climate and Green Plan Implementation Office can work with AMM to achieve climate goals.

# Keynote Speaker



**MJ Hegar**

## **Performing Under Pressure**

**Wednesday, November 27**

How will you react when you are tested? When Major MJ Hegar's helicopter was shot down in Afghanistan, she discovered what it truly is to perform under pressure.

Injured and without backup, she was pivotal in rescuing her crew and patients and became the second woman in history to earn a Distinguished Flying Cross with Valor Device along with being awarded a Purple Heart.

When her injuries barred her from service, she fought a policy that excluded women—a historic victory for female military members.

In this talk, MJ delivers valuable lessons for not only keeping a cool head in a tense situation but performing with distinction.

The difference between those of us who react well under pressure and those who don't, she says, comes down to a few important principles. Who do you hope to be when all eyes turn to you?

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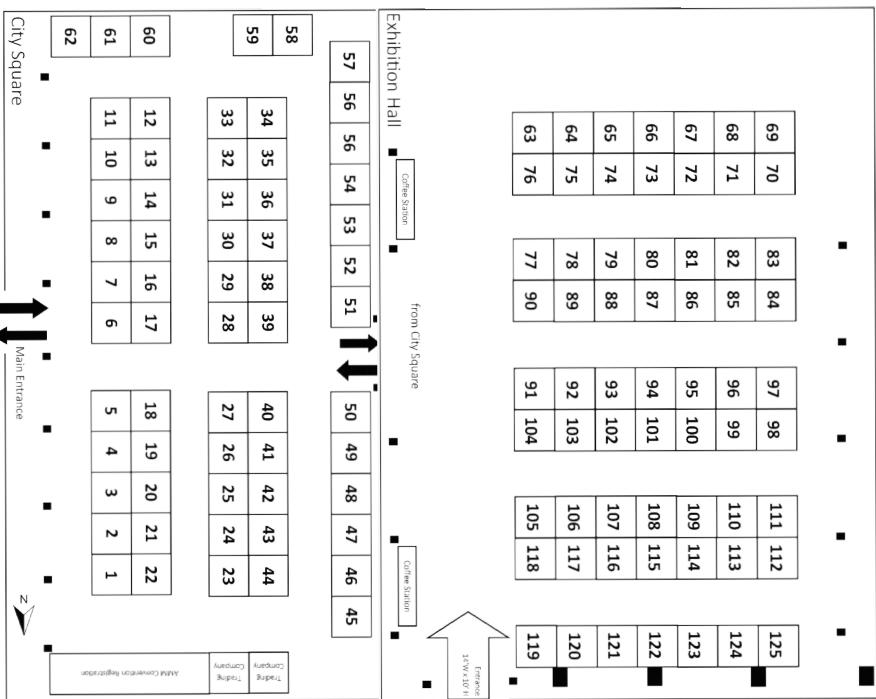
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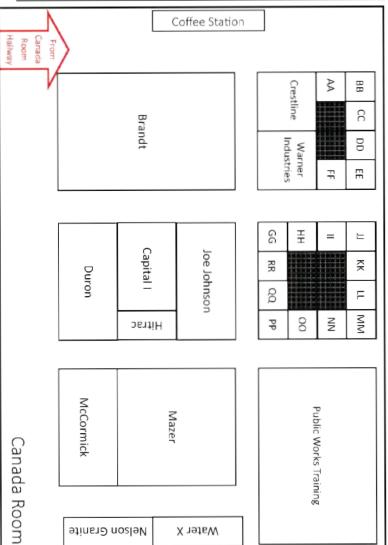
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# Display Area Map



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# Display Area Information



## DISPLAY AREA TIME SCHEDULE

**Tuesday, November 26**  
10:00 am – 4:00 pm

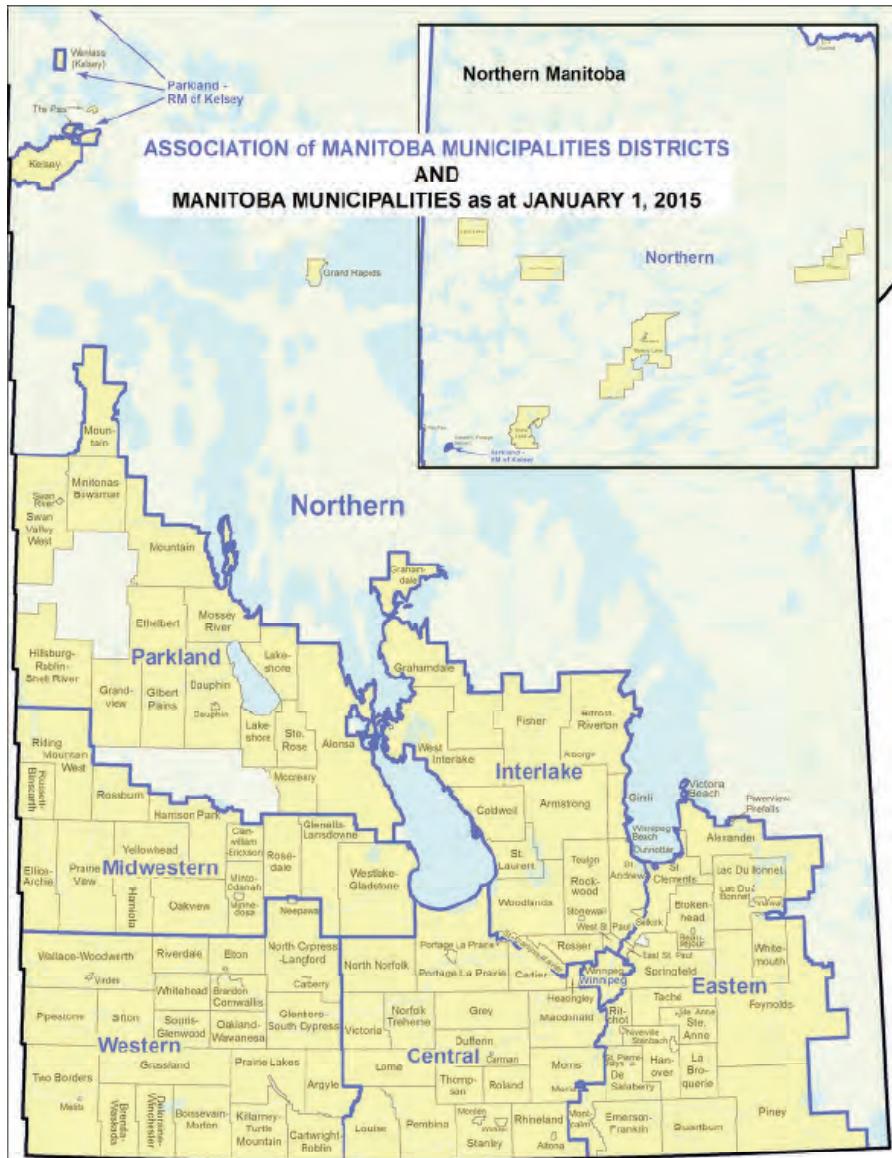
**Wednesday, November 27**  
9:00 am – 12:00 pm

## DOOR PRIZES

- **WINNERS POSTED AT BOOTH WEDNESDAY MORNING**
- **PRIZES TO BE COLLECTED AT BOOTH BY WEDNESDAY AT 11:00 AM**



## AMM District Map



## 2019 Resolutions Committee



**Standing, L to R:**

Councillor Roger Wilson (Midwestern District), Councillor Jacques Trudeau (Eastern District), Councillor Eric Forster (Western District), Reeve Don Wiebe (Central District), Mayor Clive Hinds (Interlake District).

Participated via teleconference, but omitted from photo: Mayor Kevin Edmondson (Parkland District), Mayor Herb Jaques (Northern District)

# Rules for Resolutions Sessions

1. Members of the Resolutions Committee will read out the operative clauses of a given resolution - i.e., the resolved portion.
2. The Chair will move the resolution.
3. The Chair will call for a seconder who will second the resolution by providing their name and municipality.
4. The seconder will open debate on the resolution. Then any municipal official is welcome to speak in favour or opposition to the resolution at hand; microphones will be labelled specifically for those “in favour” and “opposed”.
5. Anyone speaking to a resolution will have a maximum of two minutes. The time remaining for speakers will be displayed, counting from two minutes to zero, at which time microphones will be turned off.
6. As provided for in Robert’s Rules of Order, the Chair will call for speakers alternately from each microphone position. If no speakers with an alternate position request the floor, the Chair may, after entertaining three or more speakers to the one position, end debate even if further speakers to the position have already requested the floor.
7. No one may speak twice per resolution unless for clarification.
8. The seconder will be invited to close debate.
9. Amendments to motions may be introduced by any registered voting delegate. Unlike the “Standing Order” for main motions, the Chair will not move an amendment.
10. Once the motion to amend has been introduced, the Chair will decide if the amendment is in order (i.e., does not change the intent of the motion).
11. If the Chair decides the motion is in order, they will call for a seconder.
12. Once the amendment has been moved and seconded, the motion to amend will be dealt with in the same way as all motions as outlined in the Standing Orders and Rules of Order.
13. Unlike main motions, however, amendments to the amendment will not be accepted.
14. Discussion on an amendment must address the amendment only and not the merits of the main motion.
15. The Chair will entertain only two amendments per resolution.
16. Should more than two amendments come forward, the Chair may send the resolution to the Resolutions Committee and the Parliamentarian for their consideration.
17. The decision of the Chair is final.

## DEBATING STANDING POLICY RESOLUTIONS

- A delegate wishing to debate a Standing Policy resolution must move a motion asking the Chair to “suspend the rules”.
- If there is a seconder, the Chair will ask for the vote on the motion. The motion passes if 2/3 of delegates vote in favour of it.
- If the motion is passed, the remainder of the debate follows the normal resolution process.

# Resolution Categories

## RESOLUTION CATEGORIES

The following categories shall apply to all resolutions submitted for consideration by the Association of Manitoba Municipalities at either the Annual Convention or the District Meetings.

### CATEGORY 1: MUNICIPAL ISSUES

Category 1 resolutions are resolutions whose outcome has the potential to impact a majority of municipalities.

It is possible that the outcome of a Category 1 resolution might not immediately impact all municipalities, but the outcome has the potential to impact a majority of municipalities. This impact may be direct or indirect.

Examples of areas of influence of Category 1 resolutions include direct changes to legislation that govern municipalities, such as *The Municipal Act*, or more indirect changes to government programs that might impact municipalities, like a change in the provincial drainage program.

Category 1 resolutions, if passed at the District Meetings, will be brought forward to the main Resolutions Committee for consideration at the Annual Convention.

### CATEGORY 2: LOCAL OR REGIONAL MUNICIPAL ISSUES

Category 2 resolutions deal with local or regional issues that affect one region or only a small number of municipal governments.

An example of a Category 2 resolution would be a resolution dealing with a necessary improvement to a specific local road.

Resolutions in this grouping will be presented at the District Meetings; however, they will not be submitted for consideration at the annual Convention. A resolution in this category, if passed at the District Meeting, will be dealt with by the Board of Directors as they see fit.

### CATEGORY 3: NON-MUNICIPAL ISSUES

Non-municipal issues do not affect municipal governments.

Resolutions in this grouping will not be presented at the District Meetings or the Annual Convention; instead, they will be dealt with by the Board of Directors as they see fit.

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**NOTE:** Resolutions categorized as 'Standing Policy' will not be brought to the Convention floor for debate unless requested by delegates.

# Resolutions

## By-Law 2019

### **AMM By-Law Change (proposed by AMM Board of Directors)**

Currently, as worded, Article 5 of By-law 1998 permits nominees to accept nominations for the position of President and a Vice-President position at the same time. It is proposed that Executive Committee nominees can only accept a nomination for either the President position or a Vice-President position, and not for both.

Be it resolved that the following change to By-law 1998 is therefore approved:

- (1) The following sentence is added after the last sentence in Section 2 of Article 5

“Nominees can only accept nomination for one position, that is, for the position of President or for a Vice-President position, not both.”

- (2) This amendment is effective immediately after the 2019 annual convention.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #01-2019

### AMM Board Structure & Size

<b>Sponsor(s)</b>	<b>Department(s)</b>
Roblin, Municipality (Parkland)	AMM

WHEREAS the Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) was formed in 1999 on the grounds that “one association that represents all municipal corporations in the province would have a much stronger voice than two separate associations”; and

WHEREAS at that time, it was deemed favourable to have a larger board structure and size to help with the transition and represent 197 municipalities fairly; and

WHEREAS things have evolved over the past 20 years and we now have 137 municipalities; and

WHEREAS AMM had undertaken a major, cross-Canada review of board structure and size with similar organizations like AMM that indicated the AMM board structure and size may need to be reduced in comparison to other associations;

#### **Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM review the report they commissioned and make a recommendation to the membership regarding board structure and size at the 2019 Convention.

**NOTE: The AMM Board of Directors recommends maintaining the current board structure and size.**

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #02-2019

### Energy East Pipeline

<b>Sponsor(s)</b>	<b>Department(s)</b>
Wallace-Woodworth, RM (Western)	AMM
Pipestone, RM (Western)	
Ellice-Archie, RM (Midwestern)	
Yellowhead, RM (Midwestern)	

WHEREAS the TransCanada Energy East pipeline project has been put on hold due to federal regulations; and

WHEREAS a significant amount of oil is imported into Ontario, Quebec, and the Maritime provinces; and

WHEREAS with the ever-increasing amounts of oil being transported by rail, thereby restricting rail capacity for other commodities such as grain, potash, lumber, manufactured items, and shipping containers, etc.; and

WHEREAS Canadian-produced oil should be given a priority over oil imported from other countries; and

WHEREAS it is desirous to have Canadian oil transported via pipeline to the East Coast, and exported to markets overseas for the economic benefit of all Canadians;

#### **Therefore Be It Resolved That**

that AMM go on record of supporting the TransCanada Energy East pipeline project.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #03-2019

### Rural Strategy for Disbursements of Grants

**Sponsor(s)**

Beausejour, Town (Eastern)

**Department(s)**

AMM

WHEREAS the Province of Manitoba provided for various grants available to Manitoba municipalities; and

WHEREAS typically grant funding is based on a per capita basis; and

WHEREAS Manitoba municipalities rely on grant funding which is critical to assisting in addressing their infrastructure needs;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM strike up a committee to evaluate and recommend a rural strategy to the Province of Manitoba to award infrastructure grants other than on a per capita basis that would be based on needs and/or priorities which would provide a larger proportional share of grant dollars available to Manitoba's rural municipalities.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #04-2019

### Municipal Assistance Grant Indexing

<b>Sponsor(s)</b>	<b>Department(s)</b>
Selkirk, City (Interlake)	Manitoba Municipal Relations
Thompson, City (Northern)	
Flin Flon, City (Northern)	
Dauphin, City (Parkland)	
Winkler, City (Central)	
Portage la Prairie (Central)	

WHEREAS the Province of Manitoba provides annual funding to support all Manitoba municipalities to address operating and capital priorities critical to maintaining healthy, sustainable communities; and

WHEREAS the Province of Manitoba has frozen the level of operating funding it provides municipalities at 2016 levels for the past three years; and

WHEREAS this freezing of funding does not recognize the rising costs of municipal operations caused by inflation, downloading of Provincial costs, and spiking input costs; and

WHEREAS the Manitoba Bureau of Statistics (MBS) reported that Manitoba's Consumer Price Index increased by 1.3% in 2016, 1.6% in 2017, 2.5% in 2018, and in April 2019 was ranked as the second highest in Canada at 2.3%; and

WHEREAS municipalities across Manitoba have been working diligently to cut costs and minimizing tax increases to our citizens, while sustaining services in our communities, and municipalities desire to be partners with the Province in growing Manitoba's economy;

#### **Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to establish a predictable, long-term system of indexing the annual Municipal Assistance Grant provided to all Manitoba municipalities; and

**FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the rate of this indexing be equal to, or greater than, the annual rate of economic growth.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #05-2019

### Cannabis Taxation Revenue-Sharing

**Sponsor(s)**

Thompson, City (Northern)  
Flin Flon, City (Northern)

**Department(s)**

Manitoba Finance  
Manitoba Municipal Relations

WHEREAS the Government of Canada enacted *The Cannabis Act* in 2018, making the regulated sale of cannabis legal across the country; and

WHEREAS the Government of Canada agreed to share 75% of cannabis excise tax with the provinces, with the intention that 25% of the excise tax is to be provided for municipalities;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to provide full disclosure of the revenues and expenses related to cannabis sales to every municipality in the province; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to provide municipalities with a 25% share of net revenues generated through collection of cannabis excise taxes as intended by the Government of Canada.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #06-2019

### Municipal Road and Bridge Program Distribution Formula

**Sponsor(s)**

Grassland, Municipality (Western)

**Department(s)**

Manitoba Municipal Relations

Riverdale Municipality (Western)

Two Borders, Municipality (Western)

Cornwallis, RM (Western)

Killarney-Turtle Mountain, Municipality (Western)

Whitehead, RM (Western)

WHEREAS the changes made to the Municipal Road and Bridge Program grant in 2019 successfully addressed the barriers to the accessibility and budgeting of funds; and

WHEREAS rural areas have a legislated responsibility to maintain roads for the agriculture economy to survive and grow into the future; and

WHEREAS population does not reflect municipal infrastructure transportation needs; and

WHEREAS no consideration was given to bridge replacement costs;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to re-evaluate the amount and distribution formula taking into consideration the economic needs of each municipality.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #07-2019

### No Unilateral Downloading

**Sponsor(s)**

Springfield, RM (Eastern)

**Department(s)**

Manitoba Municipal Relations

WHEREAS in 2018 AMM passed Resolution #25-2018 which resolved that Manitoba Infrastructure (MI) remove a clause from *The Highways Act* that permitted the unilateral offloading of provincial roads and highways to rural municipalities; and

WHEREAS the response to a similar resolution in 2018 resulted in an answer that suggested the present Act clause allowing unilateral downloading/closure was appropriate; and

WHEREAS in many cases the ongoing operation/repair by a RM of such a PR or PTH would not be possible without severe financial hardship for RM residents, or even bankrupting the affected municipality;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba so that any/all downloading of responsibilities to municipal governments be accompanied by commensurate funding from present provincial revenue streams, that this funding never decrease, and that incremental contributions to this funding as directed by established asset management practices be tied to the annual Manitoba Construction Cost increase.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #08-2019

### Municipal Tax Autonomy

#### **Sponsor(s)**

Grassland, Municipality (Western)  
Boissevain-Morton, Municipality (Western)  
Cornwallis, RM (Western)  
Whitehead, RM (Western)

#### **Department(s)**

Manitoba Municipal Relations

WHEREAS in 2014 the provincial government forced municipalities under 1,000 residents to amalgamate; and

WHEREAS assessment values are substantially different between urban and rural properties that mill rate equalization cannot be fairly adjusted;

#### **Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to allow municipalities autonomy to tax what is in the best interest of their constituents.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #09-2019

### Portioning Percentage Ranges

**Sponsor(s)**

Morris, RM (Central)

**Department(s)**

Manitoba Municipal Relations

WHEREAS the Province of Manitoba provides services to determine market value assessments for properties in Manitoba; and

WHEREAS the Province of Manitoba Regulation 184/98 under *The Municipal Assessment Act* provides for various classification portioning percentages to determine what the 'portioned' or 'taxable' assessment should be for properties; and

WHEREAS there are some municipalities within Manitoba that would like to have some flexibility in determining what the portioning percentages should be;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to amend Regulation 184/98 to reflect a 5% variation either above or below the current portioning percentages; and

Class	Provincial Recommendation	Municipal Range Allowance
Residential 1	45%	40% to 50%
Residential 2	45%	40% to 50%
Residential 3	45%	40% to 50%
Farm Property	26%	21% to 31%
Institutional	65%	60% to 70%
Pipeline	50%	45% to 55%
Railway	25%	20% to 30%
Designated Recreational	10%	5% to 15%
Other	65%	60% to 70%

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT municipalities that desire to choose a portioning factor other than the factor recommended by the Province of Manitoba must do so by creating a by-law stating those percentages as given within the allowable 'Municipal Range Allowance' given above.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #10-2019

### VLT Revenues

#### **Sponsor(s)**

Thompson, City (Northern)  
Flin Flon, City (Northern)

#### **Department(s)**

Manitoba Municipal Relations

WHEREAS in 2009, the AMM Convention adopted Resolution #33 requesting that the Province of Manitoba annually report VLT revenues collected in each municipality in Manitoba; and

WHEREAS the Province of Manitoba should provide full disclosure of the revenue and expenses to every municipality in the province; and

WHEREAS the full disclosure of information will determine that the existing distribution model is not fair and equitable;

#### **Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to review the existing per capita model of VLT distribution and provide the results to all municipalities; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Province of Manitoba develop a new model for VLT distribution based on a percentage of VLT revenue by municipality, in order to assist municipalities in addressing and mitigating the social problems created as a result of the VLT revenues leaving municipalities; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Province of Manitoba dedicate a larger percentage of VLT revenue to support provincial programs addressing social issues created through the use of VLTs.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #11-2019

### Grants-in-Lieu

**Sponsor(s)**

Springfield, RM (Eastern)

**Department(s)**

Manitoba Municipal Relations

WHEREAS the Province of Manitoba has exempted some agencies, Crown Corporations and municipalities from paying municipal taxes, and has required them pay a Grant-in-Lieu to the affected jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS the grants have not all kept up with assessed value of these agency assets; and

WHEREAS some municipalities have been exempt from paying taxes on their assets in other municipalities;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to end all exemptions, beginning with inter-municipal, and oblige all Grants-in-Lieu to be paid at the rate of 100% (except provincial departmental roads), including City of Winnipeg, GWWD, and unimproved Crown lands accessible by municipal all-weather roads by 2024.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #12-2019

### Depoliticizing Municipal Fees and Charges

<b>Sponsor(s)</b>	<b>Department(s)</b>
Selkirk, City (Interlake)	Manitoba Municipal Relations

WHEREAS Section 232 subsection 2 of *The Municipal Act* empowers municipalities with the ability to “establish fees or other charges for services, activities or things provided or done by the municipality or for the use of property under the ownership, direction, management or control of the municipality”; and

WHEREAS this section is generally interpreted to mean that such fees and charges may only be levied through a by-law passed by Council and as such cannot be delegated to administration; and

WHEREAS today’s municipalities offer a wide range of products and services the cost of which are often linked to market prices which may change frequently; and

WHEREAS the inability to delegate the setting of some fees and charges to administration creates bureaucratic red tape and makes it onerous to keep municipal fees and charges in line with the market place where appropriate; and

WHEREAS requiring municipal Councils to vote on every fee and charge implemented by the municipality politicizes these decisions and discourages keeping fees and charges in line with the costs incurred; and

WHEREAS municipal Councils could effectively regulate and oversee the setting of fees and charges through resolutions and policy rather than prescriptive and slow-reacting by-laws;

#### **Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to amend *The Municipal Act* to give municipal Councils the ability to set fees and charges through mechanisms other than by-law.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #13-2019

### The Planning Act

#### **Sponsor(s)**

East St. Paul, RM (Eastern)

#### **Department(s)**

Manitoba Municipal Relations

WHEREAS when a public hearing has been held under *The Planning Act* and a decision has not been made before a municipal election, newly-elected officials who were not a member of Council and therefore did not participate in the hearing are unable to participate in Council's decision-making despite being knowledgeable and taking the time to become informed about the application and issues; and

WHEREAS a newly-elected official should have the ability to participate in the decision where the official reviews all material filed in the application and the minutes of the public hearing; and

WHEREAS this change would allow for greater participation by elected officials on matters of importance in their communities.

#### **Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to amend *The Planning Act* to provide for newly-elected officials to be allowed to participate in Council decision-making for applications where a public hearing has been held under *The Planning Act* before the municipal election but no decision has been made, if the official informs themselves about the application by reviewing all material filed in the application and the minutes.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #14-2019

### Tax Sale Administration Fee Increase

<b>Sponsor(s)</b>	<b>Department(s)</b>
Mountain, RM (Parkland)	Manitoba Municipal Relations

WHEREAS Regulation Number 50/97 is a regulation under *The Municipal Act* which prescribes fees, discounts and penalties which municipalities may provide or charge their ratepayers; and

WHEREAS this Regulation sets the maximum fee for the administration of a Tax Sale, being \$50.00; and

WHEREAS this fee is no longer an accurate reflection of the work and costs bore by the municipality in administering a Tax Sale;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to update Regulation 50/97 under *The Municipal Act* to provide for an administration fee for tax sales that is suitable to the costs and work involved in administering a Tax Sale.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #15-2019

### Tax Sale Penalties

**Sponsor(s)**

Mountain, RM (Parkland)

**Department(s)**

Manitoba Municipal Relations

WHEREAS there is no penalty to any land owner for allowing their property to be sold through a Municipal Tax Sale; and

WHEREAS municipalities are burdened with tax sale costs, property cleanup and ongoing maintenance after these properties go through the Tax Sale; and

WHEREAS if a property owner's credit score was affected by letting these parcels of land go through the Tax Sale it would deter many from giving up certain lands and decrease the amount of costs borne by the municipality;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to make adjustments to *The Municipal Act*, specifically Division 6 in regards to Tax Sales of Real Property, to make provisions so those persons who allow their property to be sold at a Municipal Tax Sale will have such registered against their credit score.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #16-2019 - WITHDRAWN

### ATV Use of Municipal Road

**Sponsor(s)**

Hanover, RM (Eastern)

**Department(s)**

Manitoba Municipal  
Relations

WHEREAS the RM of Hanover has seen a significant increase in the number of ATVs; and

WHEREAS these ATVs are required to use municipal ditches to travel from one place to another; and

WHEREAS the use of ATVs in municipal ditches negatively affects the drainage system in the municipality costing the ratepayers of Hanover tens of thousands of dollars in repairs annually; and

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario and several US States have legislation permitting ATVs to use municipal roadways when properly registered and equipped with the required signal lights and horn; and

WHEREAS the use of ATVs on a well-maintained municipal road will provide an increased level of safety for ATV users;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to amend legislation to permit ATV use on municipal roads similar to provincial legislation in the Province of Ontario and several US States.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #17-2019

### Municipal Election Offences

**Sponsor(s)**

St. Clements, RM (Eastern)

**Department(s)**

Manitoba Municipal Relations

WHEREAS currently a complaint regarding an offence committed under *The Municipal Councils and School Boards Election Act* must be made to the RCMP who will decide whether to investigate and prosecute the complaint; and

WHEREAS for an election finance offence under *The Municipal Act*, the municipality's chief administrative officer is involved in the investigation of the offence, with the decision on whether to prosecute made by municipal Council or by the RCMP if the complaint is made to the RCMP; and

WHEREAS Chief Administrative Officers and municipal Councils are not trained, nor do their duties fit with the investigation and prosecution of election offences; and

WHEREAS by contrast, the enforcement system available for provincial election offences is carried out by a trained, independent, and accountable system in accordance with *The Elections Act* and *The Election Financing Act*; and

WHEREAS investigation and enforcement for provincial election offences are carried out under the direction of the Commissioner of Elections, appointed by the Chief Electoral Officer of Manitoba;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to amend *The Municipal Councils and School Boards Election Act* and *The Municipal Act* to provide for a coordinated approach to the enforcement of municipal election offences, to be achieved by either having Elections Manitoba's Commissioner or a separately created Commissioner of elections for municipal elections, responsible for the enforcement of municipal election offences.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #18-2019

### The Mental Health Act

#### **Sponsor(s)**

Winkler, City (Central)  
Altona, Town (Central)  
East St. Paul, RM (Eastern)  
Pembina, Municipality (Central)  
Louise, Municipality (Central)  
Lorne, Municipality (Central)

#### **Department(s)**

Manitoba Justice  
Manitoba Health, Seniors  
and Active Living

WHEREAS under Section 15(1) of *The Mental Health Act* a peace officer who takes a person into custody for an involuntary medical examination under Section 11 or 12 or an involuntary psychiatric assessment under Section 9 shall remain with the person and retain custody of them, or arrange for another peace officer to do so, until the examination or assessment is completed or the person is admitted to the facility; and

WHEREAS *The Mental Health Act* is amended under *The Mental Health Amendment Act* in: Sub-Section 15(1) by adding “or a qualified person” after “for another peace officer”; after Sub-Section 15(3) by adding: Sub-Section 15(4) in this section, “qualified person” means a person who holds a position specified in the regulations or who has received training specified in the regulations; and

WHEREAS peace officers are taken away from regular duty for extended periods of time, leaving their municipalities exposed to greater risk and public safety issues when they are not available; and

WHEREAS in addition to public safety issues, significant overtime costs are incurred by municipalities;

#### **Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to:

- expedite the implementation of “qualified persons” at healthcare facilities; and
- provide a safe and secure area at a healthcare facility for persons in custody while awaiting examination and/or assessment.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #19-2019

### Methamphetamine Issues

**Sponsor(s)**

Dauphin, City (Parkland)

**Department(s)**

Manitoba Justice

Manitoba Health, Seniors  
and Active Living

WHEREAS methamphetamine (meth) is an illicit drug that is highly addictive, becoming more widely available, and is inexpensive to purchase; and

WHEREAS the effects of the use of meth are destructive to individuals and families, can result in violence, and are life altering; and

WHEREAS there are insufficient resources for education regarding meth, insufficient supports for those addicted and their families, and insufficient resources to enforce laws regarding the crimes related to meth; and

WHEREAS many of the effects of meth use present indirect and direct costs to municipalities;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to provide sufficient funding to educate the population regarding the hazards of the use of methamphetamines in hopes to prevent its use, provide sufficient funding for readily available and comprehensive rehabilitation programs for those addicted, and sufficient funding for law enforcement associated with the crimes related to the distribution of meth.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #20-2019

### Proceeds of Crime

#### Sponsor(s)

The Pas, Town (Northern)

#### Department(s)

Manitoba Justice

WHEREAS criminal property forfeiture (proceeds of crime) is a civil court process through which the government may apply to confiscate property or proceeds of unlawful activity and property used in committing crimes; and

WHEREAS *The Criminal Property Forfeiture Act* allows the director of the unit to start civil forfeiture proceedings against property believed to be the proceeds or instruments of unlawful activity; and

WHEREAS a judge of the Court of Queen's Bench decides whether to order forfeiture; and

WHEREAS in 2012 *The Criminal Property Forfeiture Act* was amended to allow a simpler process known as administrative forfeiture through which personal property valued at \$75,000 or less may be confiscated without involving the courts; and

WHEREAS proceeds of confiscated property are deposited in the Criminal Property Forfeiture Fund and managed or distributed as provided for in section 19 of *The Criminal Property Forfeiture Act*, uses include operating expenses, victim compensation and programs promoting safer communities; and

WHEREAS none of the revenue general from criminal property forfeiture goes to government. The legislation governing criminal property forfeiture requires all unspent money to stay in a trust fund which provides a sustainable source of funding for future compensation to victims of crime or to be invested in safe communities' initiatives; and

WHEREAS the Province of Manitoba asks police services to submit applications under the Criminal Property Forfeiture Grant for funding for projects that enhance the practices and training of law enforcement agencies, or reduce or prevent crime; and

# Resolutions

WHEREAS through this grant funding, the proceeds of crime do not necessarily go back to the municipality that crime originated in.

**Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to ensure the proceeds of crime are dispersed automatically to the community that was directly affected by the crime and the proceeds were obtained from without having to make an application.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #21-2019

### Rural Crime

#### **Sponsor(s)**

WestLake-Gladstone, Municipality  
(Midwestern)

#### **Department(s)**

Manitoba Justice

WHEREAS Municipality of WestLake-Gladstone residents have been experiencing a spike in crime such as break and enters, assaults, violent acts and theft; and

WHEREAS Municipality of WestLake-Gladstone Council would like to see a provincial Task Force funded by the Province of Manitoba to be situated in high crime areas throughout the province to help mitigate and coordinate resources amongst other provincial agencies to help curb the overall amount of crime that rural residents are experiencing; and

WHEREAS the Province of Manitoba ensures that the Task Force is fully equipped with the required equipment and resources to make a difference in these high crime areas;

#### **Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to implement and fund said task force.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #22-2019

### Liability for Firefighters & Fire Protection Services

**Sponsor(s)**

The Pas, Town (Northern)  
Dauphin, RM (Parkland)

**Department(s)**

Manitoba Finance

WHEREAS most Manitoba municipalities have a Volunteer Fire Department to provide fire services in their respective municipalities; and

WHEREAS under *The Fires Prevention and Emergency Response Act* there is limited protection from liability as it relates to volunteer firefighters being exempt from action or proceeding while performing their duties; and

WHEREAS *The Fires Prevention and Emergency Response Act* states that no action or proceeding may be brought against the fire commissioner, a designate or any other person acting under the authority of the *Act* for anything done or not done, or for any neglect in the performance or intended performance of a duty under this *Act* or regulation or in the exercise or intended exercise of a power under this *Act* or regulation; and

WHEREAS the wording of the legislation is not firm enough to address the issue of volunteer firefighters being individually named in proceedings while carrying out their duties for the municipality; and

WHEREAS naming individual volunteer members in litigation as a result of duties performed will most certainly have a negative impact on volunteers wanting to continue providing these volunteer services; and

WHEREAS the Province of Saskatchewan's *Fire Safety Act* is very specific in detail as it relates to immunity from liability of firefighters and volunteers;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to make changes to *The Fires Prevention and Emergency Response Act* which would provide immunity from liability for firefighters and volunteers performing duties on behalf of Manitoba communities when providing fire services; and

# Resolutions

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the changes also include action or proceedings against a local authority for any loss, injury or damage suffered by reason of anything in good faith done, caused, permitted or authorized to be done while performing fire protection services.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #23-2019

### Mining Community Reserve Fund (MCRF)

#### **Sponsor(s)**

Thompson, City (Northern)  
Flin Flon, City (Northern)

#### **Department(s)**

Manitoba Agriculture and  
Resource Development  
Manitoba Finance

WHEREAS the Province of Manitoba established a Mining Community Reserve Fund (MCRF) under *The Mining Tax Act* (c. M195) in 1970; and

WHEREAS the mandate of the MCRF is to assist mining communities that are affected by partial or complete mine closures; and

WHEREAS *The Mining Tax Act* identifies that up to 6% of the mining tax revenues, paid exclusively by mining companies, is collected annually and transferred into the fund is not adequate or sustainable; and

WHEREAS provisions in *The Mining Tax Act* only addresses monies in excess of \$10,000,000 and does not identify how the balance of funds can be accessed by mining communities; and

WHEREAS mining communities are being negatively impacted by prolonged periods of low commodity prices and global market pressures and need meaningful access to the MCRF to mitigate the negative impacts on their communities which will benefit Manitoba as a whole; and

WHEREAS the Province of Manitoba needs to amend *The Mining Tax Act* to adequately and proactively facilitate the access of necessary funding by mining communities in their time of need pursuant to the mandate of the MCRF;

#### **Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to amend *The Mining Tax Act* to:

- Increase the percentage of mining tax that they allocate to the MCRF to ensure the fund remains sustainable and viable to support mining communities;

# Resolutions

- Clarify the process for mining communities to access the MCRF below the \$10,000,000 value;
- Support the economic diversification activities of mining communities to ensure their long-term sustainability; and
- Strengthen the legislation so that the MCRF can only be used towards support of affected mining communities and related mining exploration activities, preventing funds from being diverted into provincial general reserves, or other provincial government programs which do not support the long-term economic sustainability of affected mining communities.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #24-2019

### Communities Economic Development Fund (CEDF)

#### **Sponsor(s)**

Thompson, City (Northern)  
Flin Flon, City (Northern)

#### **Department(s)**

Manitoba Economic  
Development and  
Training

WHEREAS small businesses are a major contributor to the Manitoba Economy, and support the economic prosperity of Manitoba municipalities, and new entrepreneurs often struggle to access loans to launch and support their small businesses through traditional lenders; and

WHEREAS the Communities Economic Development Fund (CEDF) is a Crown Corporation with the established mandate to encourage economic development in Northern Manitoba through the provision of financial assistance and other forms of technical assistance; and

WHEREAS CEDF has provided over \$136 million dollars in developmental business loans between 1972 and 2017, resulting in the creation of 7,277 jobs in the Province of Manitoba; and

WHEREAS \$988 million dollars in business revenues were generated, and \$243 million dollars in wages were paid out in the period of 1999-2018 as a result of CEDF development business loans, contributing greatly to the economic development of local economies in Manitoba; and

WHEREAS the Province of Manitoba instituted a lending moratorium on CEDF in 2017 with respect to the developmental business loans program; and

WHEREAS the Province of Manitoba's Look North Strategy emphasizes that there is a clear need to assist new business start-ups and support small and medium businesses succeed to create a stable and sustainable economy;

#### **Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to reinstate the development business loans program to support the growth of small businesses and local economies in Manitoba.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #25-2019

### Snowmobilers of Manitoba

#### **Sponsor(s)**

Thompson, City (Northern)  
Flin Flon, City (Northern)

#### **Department(s)**

Manitoba Economic  
Development and  
Training

WHEREAS there are over 19,000 active Snopass holders in Manitoba, despite the fact that there are over 35,000 registered snowmobiles in Manitoba; and

WHEREAS non-incorporation creates issues related to enforcement, as not all insured snowmobilers in Manitoba are Snopass holders; and

WHEREAS 79% of respondents asked via an MPI survey in 2013 responded that indeed the Snopass is a favorable offering; and

WHEREAS recreational programming enables Manitobans to live a healthier lifestyle; and

WHEREAS incorporation of the Snopass would amount to economic advantages to Snoman and all associated clubs in Manitoba allowing more funds to go to the trail system; and

WHEREAS under the current funding system the sustainability of the trail system and clubs are at great risks; and

WHEREAS incorporation of the Snopass would enable Snoman's member clubs to improve all existing trails and facilities in Manitoba, helping to increase public safety; and

WHEREAS the incorporation of the snopass with snowmobile registration would lead to increased tourism throughout the province;

#### **Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to implement the incorporation of the Snopass with the registration of snowmobiles in a timely manner in order to encourage greater tourism in local communities and create a more sustainable snowmobile trail system across Manitoba.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #26-2019

### Lake Winnipeg Water Quality

#### **Sponsor(s)**

Victoria Beach, RM (Eastern)  
Alexander, RM (Eastern)  
Whitemouth, RM (Eastern)  
Powerview-Pine Falls, Town (Eastern)  
ClimateLac du Bonnet, RM (Eastern)  
East St. Paul, RM (Eastern)

#### **Department(s)**

AMM  
Manitoba Conservation  
and Climate  
Environment and  
Change Canada

WHEREAS the raw water quality of Lake Winnipeg has deteriorated significantly over the past several decades and continues to deteriorate at an exponential rate that will inevitably result in the 'death of the lake' with dire consequences for all stakeholders unless there is timely intervention from all three levels of government; and

WHEREAS the high levels of phosphorus in Lake Winnipeg are a significant contributing factor to the increased frequency and severity of algae blooms developing along many beaches during the summer season; and

WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg is discharging sewage that contains high levels of phosphorus that do not meet its provincial operating license increasing the nutrient load and further exacerbating the deterioration of the raw Lake Winnipeg water quality; and

WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg's decision to reject the Lake Winnipeg Foundation and International Institute for Sustainable Development's proposal to use ferric chloride to reduce the substantial amount of phosphorus being dumped into Lake Winnipeg by up to 70% will result in the continued discharge of high levels of phosphorus by the City into Lake Winnipeg; and

WHEREAS Lake Winnipeg is of vital importance to all stakeholders including indigenous peoples, fishers, cottagers, residents, as well as communities that use the lake as a source of economic growth or stability, and many other user groups who are presently negatively impacted by the unacceptable and unsustainable condition of the lake;

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**Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM to strongly urge the City of Winnipeg to immediately reconsider the Lake Winnipeg Foundation and International Institute for Sustainable Development's proposal to use ferric chloride to substantially reduce the amount of phosphorus being discharged into Lake Winnipeg; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM to lobby the provincial government to declare a State of Aquatic Emergency on Lake Winnipeg as a result of the increasing issue with blue-green algae and take action to deal with this issue; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the province and federal governments to devise a plan of action to immediately mitigate the discharge of high phosphorus levels contributing to the deteriorating condition of Lake Winnipeg and seek and obtain the City of Winnipeg's cooperation and compliance with its operating license issued pursuant to The Environment Act.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #27-2019

### Drainage Licensing

**Sponsor(s)**

Pipestone, RM (Western)  
Whitehead, RM (Western)

**Department(s)**

Manitoba Conservation  
and Climate

WHEREAS the ability of municipalities to serve the needs of ratepayers depends on the ability to work effectively with other levels of government; and

WHEREAS drainage licensing is critically important to taxpayers and municipal budgeting and planning; and

WHEREAS wait times for drainage licensing have caused projects to get pushed back further and further to the point that the safety of residents is compromised;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to guarantee that all municipal drainage applications be returned in 30 days for the purpose of municipal budgeting.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #28-2019

### Single-Use Plastic Bags

#### **Sponsor(s)**

Taché, RM (Eastern)  
Ritchot, RM (Eastern)  
Niverville, Town (Eastern)  
Altona, Town (Central)

#### **Department(s)**

Manitoba Conservation  
and Climate

WHEREAS municipalities recognize the importance of eliminating solid waste from entering our Solid Waste Landfill Sites; and

WHEREAS nearly 3 billion single-use plastic bags are used in Canada each year; and

WHEREAS it is estimated that only 1% of single-use plastic bags are recycled; and

WHEREAS single-use plastic bags either end up in up in our landfills or pollute our road and waterways; and

WHEREAS there are alternatives to using single-use plastic shopping bags; and

WHEREAS communities across North America are successfully curbing the use of single-use plastic bags by passing resolutions or legislation that prohibit their use; and

WHEREAS the RM of Taché, RM of Ritchot, and Town of Niverville deem it prudent for the Province of Manitoba to pass legislation to ban the use of single-use plastic bags to be effective;

#### **Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to pass legislation to ban the use of single-use plastic bags.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #29-2019

### Composting

#### **Sponsor(s)**

Taché, RM (Eastern)  
Ritchot, RM (Eastern)

#### **Department(s)**

Manitoba Conservation  
and Climate

WHEREAS municipalities recognize the importance of eliminating solid waste from entering our Solid Waste Landfill Sites; and

WHEREAS it is estimated that in Manitoba 40% of waste is organic waste; and

WHEREAS in 2012, it was estimated that the national average of organic waste diversion was 72 kilograms per person, but the Manitoba average of organic waste diversion was only 20 kilograms per person per year; and

WHEREAS the Province of Manitoba recognized the importance of organic waste diversion and set a goal, increasing the diversion rate to 100,000 tonnes or approximately 82 kilograms per person per year; and

WHEREAS in 2015, the total of reported organics diversion for registered Manitoba Compost Support Program Facilities was only 48,000 tonne or only 48% of the provincial goal; and

WHEREAS communities across Manitoba recognize the importance of composting and would like to establish community composting programs, but due to red tape and the prohibitive costs associated with meeting environmental regulations is not attainable; and

WHEREAS the benefit of the reduction in red tape and the environmental requirements associated with establishing community compost programs would assist the Province of Manitoba to meet its organic waste diversion rate goal and would allow municipalities the ability manage more effectively the organic material entering its Solid Waste Landfill Sites;

#### **Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to review its process for licensing community composting sites and amending the process and requirements that would be financially and operationally attainable for municipalities.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #30-2019

### Review of The Manitoba Hydro Act

**Sponsor(s)**

Bifrost-Riverton, Municipality (Interlake)

**Department(s)**

Manitoba Crown Services  
Manitoba Hydro

WHEREAS the Municipality of Bifrost-Riverton is increasingly encountering issues related to the placement of Manitoba Hydro's power distribution poles in municipal right-of-ways by placing the poles too close to the road, so they obstruct municipal ditching efforts making it impossible to dig to the back slope required by an approved provincial license to construct water control works; and

WHEREAS *The Manitoba Hydro Act* was established in 1987 and significant changes have occurred in the jurisdictions and operations of Manitoba municipalities since that time;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby Manitoba Hydro and Province of Manitoba to complete a comprehensive review of *The Manitoba Hydro Act* in consultation with Manitoba municipalities.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #31-2019

### Manitoba Hydro Customer Service

**Sponsor(s)**

Piney, RM (Eastern)

**Department(s)**

Manitoba Crown Services  
Manitoba Hydro

WHEREAS the Province of Manitoba provides direction and oversight to Manitoba Hydro through the Minister of Crown Services and the Manitoba Hydro Electric Board; and

WHEREAS Manitobans in all areas of the province are experiencing customer service issues when dealing with Manitoba Hydro; and

WHEREAS these issues affect everyday matters, including extended delays in the completion of work, lengthy timelines for the design and layout of new construction and service extensions, conflicts between Manitoba Hydro's capital plans and community developments and excess need for easements; and

WHEREAS these issues often result in increased costs to developers, homeowners, businesses, municipalities and families; and

WHEREAS the Province of Manitoba has the power to initiate an independent study to improve Customer Services at Manitoba Hydro with the objective of bringing positive change to the policies of the Crown Corporation more in line with those normally encountered in a competitive business environment;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That**

that AMM lobby the provincial government to improve Manitoba Hydro's Customer Service functions and policies so that the essential services they provide are timelier and more cost effective to Manitoba residents.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #32-2019

### Community Benefit Program for the Manitoba-Minnesota Transmission Line

#### **Sponsor(s)**

La Broquerie, RM (Eastern)  
Ste. Anne, RM (Eastern)  
Stuartburn, RM (Eastern)  
Piney, RM (Eastern)  
Taché, RM (Eastern)

#### **Department(s)**

Manitoba Crown Services  
Manitoba Hydro

WHEREAS the Rural Municipalities of Springfield, Ste. Anne, Taché, La Broquerie, Stuartburn and Piney are all affected by the construction of a new 500-kilovolt transmission line from the Dorsey Converter Station near Rosser to the Manitoba-Minnesota international border; and

WHEREAS the affected municipalities have been in negotiation and discussion with Manitoba Hydro for in excess of five years on the development of a “Community Benefit Program (CBP” funding model; and

WHEREAS the affected municipalities were led to believe the CBP was likely going to be implemented and available to the municipalities affected by the Manitoba-Minnesota Transmission Line; and

WHEREAS the six affected municipalities received notice on February 4, 2019 that there was a change in policy direction and that CBP funding would no longer be available for the Manitoba-Minnesota Transmission Line due to a broad government policy change; and

WHEREAS the provincial government has indicated that Manitoba Hydro will not pay CBP funding when there aren’t any adverse effects, such as health and safety risks; and

WHEREAS the affected municipalities see significant adverse effects including road damage, lower assessment values, increased risk of disasters such as wildland fires, decreased economic viability for land development and reduced agricultural viability from the construction and ongoing maintenance of the line; and

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WHEREAS the municipal impacts continue for the total useful asset life of the transmission line and compound as the impacted municipalities grow;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba and Manitoba Hydro to reverse their decision on the delivery of Community Benefit Program (CBP) funding to those municipalities impacted by the construction of the Manitoba-Minnesota Transmission Line; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Manitoba Hydro pay CBP funding for the real impacts incurred by the municipalities; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the reinstated funding be at the same level as the proposed by Manitoba Hydro in negotiations prior to the February 4th, 2019 decision.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #33-2019

### Priority Infrastructure Upgrades

#### **Sponsor(s)**

Carberry, Town (Western)  
North Cypress-Langford, Municipality (Western)  
Whitehead, RM (Western)

#### **Department(s)**

Manitoba Infrastructure  
Manitoba Health, Seniors and Active Living

WHEREAS there have been a streamlining of ER and hospital services that have resulted in communities sharing on-call services between them; and

WHEREAS this may result in a delay of ambulance services being offered to local residents on a timely basis due to the distance between communities that share these services; and

WHEREAS the infrastructure between these communities may pose an undue risk of further injury or delay to First Responders and patients during transport if not kept up to date;

#### **Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba so that communities that share Emergency Room services be placed in a priority position to receive infrastructure upgrades to the main roadways between them to further enhance the safety and effectiveness of First Responders so they can safely and effectively do their jobs en route to the appropriate facility.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #34-2019

### Traffic Impact Studies

**Sponsor(s)**

Hanover, RM (Eastern)

**Department(s)**

Manitoba Infrastructure

WHEREAS the RM of Hanover has seen a significant increase in the number of required traffic impact studies imposed by Manitoba Infrastructure on developers; and

WHEREAS the required studies result in financial impact and costly time delays;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to reduce the number of traffic impact studies imposed on developers.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #35-2019

### Farmland School Tax Rebate

**Sponsor(s)**

Carberry, Town (Western)  
North Cypress-Langford, Municipality  
(Western)

**Department(s)**

Manitoba Finance

WHEREAS the Province of Manitoba capped the Manitoba Farmland School Tax Rebate at \$5,000.00 and also limited it to eligible owners who are also Manitoba residents (both moves took effect for the 2013 tax year); and

WHEREAS for the 2018 tax year, the maximum tax rebate is up to 80% of the paid farmland school taxes and is limited to \$5,000.00 per taxpayer, which includes all related persons of the taxpayer; and

WHEREAS the impact of this cap creates additional financial pressure on residents and farm operations, affecting the overall long-term vitality of economic growth in local communities;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba so that the Farmland School Tax Rebate be given back to local residents and farm operations at the 80% rebate, on a gradual basis at 60% for 2019, 70% for 2020 and 80% for 2021 to help foster greater economic growth in municipalities.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #36-2019

### Animal Control Registry

**Sponsor(s)**

Reynolds, RM (Eastern)

**Department(s)**

Manitoba Agriculture and Resource Development

WHEREAS the administration and handling of animals deemed “dangerous” is a municipal responsibility and is not consistent from one jurisdiction to another; and

WHEREAS it is common occurrence for the owners of animals, after an attack, to free across municipal boundaries in order to circumvent fines or destruction of the guilty animals; and

WHEREAS there is no provincial registry or notification process to municipalities if an animal deemed “dangerous” moves into their jurisdiction;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to help establish a province-wide process for assigning the designation of a dangerous animal as well as a notification process to track dangerous animals that move across municipal boundaries.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #37-2019

### Federal Carbon Tax Exemption

**Sponsor(s)**

Dauphin, RM (Parkland)  
Alonsa, RM (Parkland)

**Department(s)**

Finance Canada  
Environment and Climate  
Change Canada

WHEREAS the RM of Dauphin and RM of Alonsa feel that it is unfair for levels of government to tax one another; and

WHEREAS no exemptions have been extended to municipalities for select marked/purple fuels under the federal carbon tax; and

WHEREAS municipalities being subject to the federal carbon tax on marked/purple fuels ultimately continues to increase the burden on taxpayers;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Government of Canada to provide exemptions to municipalities from the federal carbon tax.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #38-2019

### Maintain Differential Mill Rates – SP

#### **Sponsor(s)**

Grassland, Municipality (Western)  
Melita, Town (Western)  
Whitehead, RM (Western)

#### **Department(s)**

Manitoba Municipal  
Relations

WHEREAS in 2014 the provincial government forced municipalities with populations under 1,000 residents to amalgamate; and

WHEREAS assessment values are substantially different between urban and rural properties that mill rate equalization cannot be fairly adjusted; and

WHEREAS municipalities were only given the option of implementing LUDs or Special Services, which both result in substantial administrative costs; and

WHEREAS the Province of Manitoba has initiated the red tape reduction program to aid municipalities;

#### **Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to amend *The Municipal Amalgamations Act* to allow municipalities to maintain differential mill rates.

**\* Standing Policy Note: This resolution is consistent with AMM Resolutions #36-2018 and #13-2017, and thereby with AMM policy and will not be brought forward to the Convention floor unless requested by delegates.**

#### **Resolution #36-2018:**

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to make the harmonized mill rate by 2022 be an option and not a mandatory requirement.

#### **Resolution #13-2017:**

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to remove the stated dates in the amalgamation regulations which limit the duration of the differential mill rate.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #39-2019

### RCMP Funding Formula – SP

**Sponsor(s)**

Hamiota, Municipality (Midwestern)

**Department(s)**

Manitoba Justice

WHEREAS *The Police Services Act* requires all municipalities with populations above 750 to provide or enter into agreement to provide policing for residents; and

WHEREAS following amalgamation all municipalities have populations above 750;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to address the inequity created by amalgamation by reconfiguring the RCMP funding formula to reflect the current municipal register.

**\* Standing Policy Note: This resolution is consistent with AMM Resolutions #03-2018 and #37-2017, and thereby with AMM policy and will not be brought forward to the Convention floor unless requested by delegates.**

**Resolution #03-2018:**

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba, in consultation with the AMM and Manitoba municipalities, to undertake a comprehensive review of the system for the distribution of municipal policing costs and grants with the intention of identifying and implementing amendments to this system such that the costs and grants are allocated more transparently, fairly and promote a more sustainable municipal policing model in Manitoba.

**Resolution #37-2017:**

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to remove the requirement from the Police Services Act for an area with a population between 750 and 1,000 formerly designated as an urban municipality to provide policing services.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #40-2019

### RCMP Staffing – SP

**Sponsor(s)**

Springfield, RM (Eastern)

**Department(s)**

Manitoba Justice

WHEREAS policing is an essential service for municipalities; and

WHEREAS Manitoba contracts with the RCMP to provide this service on behalf of municipalities; and

WHEREAS municipalities have limited options for dealing with RCMP staffing shortfalls;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba so that if a full complement of active deployable officers is not supplied by the RCMP, the provincial cost be reduced by the corresponding amount and that amount be supplied to municipalities to enable them to deploy security, by-law officers and augment COPP Neighbourhood Watch and similar efforts.

**\* Standing Policy Note: This resolution is consistent with AMM Resolution #20-2014, and thereby with AMM policy and will not be brought forward to the Convention floor unless requested by delegates.**

**Resolution #20-2014:**

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba and the Government of Canada for a full complement of RCMP detachments, or to adjust the provincial funding formula to reflect the staff shortage.

# Resolutions

## AMM Resolution #41-2019

### Essential Cell Service – SP

#### **Sponsor(s)**

Mossey River Municipality (Parkland)

#### **Department(s)**

Manitoba Economic  
Development and  
Training

WHEREAS Bell MTS has cancelled the CDMA service; and

WHEREAS this has caused a decrease in service to Mossey River Municipality and its surrounding communities; and

WHEREAS the loss of this cell service has caused a communication barrier to our fire department as the only reasonable way to contact them is via cell phone;

#### **Therefore Be It Resolved That**

the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba for improved cell service across the province and make it an essential service.

**\* Standing Policy Note: This resolution is consistent with AMM Resolutions #38-2015, #21-2014 and #50-2012, and thereby with AMM policy and will not be brought forward to the Convention floor unless requested by delegates.**

#### **Resolution #38-2015:**

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to improve cellular service across Manitoba.

#### **Resolution #21-2014:**

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby CRTC to deem cellular service as an essential service for all Canadians and begin the implementation process of providing cellular coverage for all Canadians.

#### **Resolution #50-2012:**

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba and Government of Canada for affordable technology options for high speed internet and cell service in rural Manitoba.

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