

MONDAY RECAP

Day one of the AMM 9th Annual Convention was a definite success, with over 825 delegates registered by day's end.

A full house took in the first item on the agenda, the AMM Annual Business Meeting. This was followed by the Honourable *Vic Toews*, President of the Treasury Board and MP for Provencher. The Minister

spoke at length about how the Federal Government is making crucial investments in our infrastructure. He noted, "As a Federal Government we have infrastructure priorities of our own, and sometimes those priorities might conflict with other levels of government." He went on to say, however, that his government "will deliver—and the centrepiece program to help us do it is called Building Canada." Minister Toews stated he is looking forward to reaching a framework agreement to manage Building Canada Funds with the Manitoba Government soon.

Monday's Keynote Speaker *Brian Thwaitts* entertained with his afternoon session, "So One Brain Said to the Other," hilariously demonstrating how the left and right sides of our brains are held together—with Velcro!

The day wrapped up with a very informative and well-attended session presented by Steve Topping and Perry Stonehouse of Manitoba Water Stewardship.



The Honourable Vic Toews

"There will always be debate about which projects are the right ones...but there is only one taxpayer, and clean water, bridge repair, or a sewer upgrade will always come first for me."

The Honourable Vic Toews

TODAY'S REMINDERS

- ◆ *Opening ceremonies* begin promptly at 9:00 am.
- ◆ The *Display Area* is open from 10:00 am to 3:30 pm today—it's the final day so please schedule time to visit!
- ◆ Check the poster by the Banquet ticket Desk today at 12:00 noon to see if you have won a prize. Prizes must be picked up at the displayer's booth by 3:00 pm today!
- ◆ The *Partner's Program* takes place today with sign in from 11:00-11:30 in the upper level in front of Pioneer Lounge. **You must be pre-registered to attend!**
- ◆ Today's speakers include the Honourable *Steve Ashton* at 10:00 am and Keynote Speaker *Marc Garneau* at 10:35 am.
- ◆ We also have a full slate of workshop sessions taking place this afternoon—your final agenda has complete details.



Marc Garneau

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Last week, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities released *Danger Ahead: The Coming Collapse of Canada's Municipal Infrastructure*. In light of this report, you will want to hear FCM President Gord Steeves address AMM delegates today at 3:30 pm—don't miss it!

Questions? Visit us at the Registration Desk from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm today!

TUESDAY

Convention Registration

10:00 am—3:00 pm
Manitoba Room

President's Address

Opening Ceremonies

9:00 am UCT Pavilion

AMM Display Area Open

10:00am—3:30 pm
Manitoba Room

Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs

The Honourable Steve Ashton
10:00 am UCT Pavilion

Nominations for AMM President Open

10:30 am UCT Pavilion

Keynote Speaker

Marc Garneau
10:35 am UCT Pavilion

General Announcements

11:45 am UCT Pavilion

Lunch Break 11:45 am

Workshop Sessions

1:15 pm & 2:15 pm
(refer to your Final Agenda for session topics, times & locations)

Nominations for AMM President Close

Candidates Speeches
3:15 pm UCT Pavilion

Federation of Canadian Municipalities

President Gord Steeves
3:30 pm UCT Pavilion

Resolutions Session

3:45 pm UCT Pavilion

Adjournment for the day

4:30 pm UCT Pavilion

**** OUR FIRST RESOLUTION SESSION BEGINS TODAY AT 3:45 PM ****

