



MAY 23, 2008

## AMM BOARD MEETING RECAPS

The AMM Board of Directors met on March 27 and April 24, 2008.

At the March meeting the 2008-2009 Municipal Insurance program renewal was discussed, along with the Municipal Officials Seminar, Convention, Mayors, Reeves and CAOs meetings and June District meetings.

Policy issues discussed included an update on the status of the Building Canada Fund, the Clean Environment Commission report, the Auditor General Report on La Broquerie, education taxation, and water issues.

At the April meeting the Board discussed the 2008 Municipal Officials Seminar and the very positive feedback received from delegates. The Board also reviewed the MTCML Trade Show and available dates for future MOS events, and reviewed the notes from the Mayors, Reeves and CAOs meetings. Answers to most questions asked at these meetings are available on the AMM web-site.

Regarding policy issues, Laurie Davidson of Manitoba Intergovernmental Affairs' overview of the La Broquerie Auditor General Report was reviewed. The Board also reviewed the proposed changes to Manitoba's building and plumbing codes, the Building Canada Fund, CEC Report and water issues. The Rail Freight Service Review was also discussed with the Board agreeing to make a submission on this issue. The Board also received a review of Provincial Budget of 2008, as well as a Legislative Update around the bills being dealt with in the current session. ■

## 2008 JUNE DISTRICT MEETINGS

### **Interlake District – Monday, June 9**

Hosted by the RM of Eriksdale - *Please register by June 3*

### **Central District – Tuesday, June 10**

Hosted by the City of Portage la Prairie and the RM of Portage la Prairie - *Please register by June 4*

### **Western District – Wednesday, June 11**

- Hosted by the RM of Wallace and the Town of Virden - *Please register by June 5*

### **Midwestern District – Thursday, June 12**

- Hosted by the RM of Birtle and the Town of Birtle - *Please register by June 6*

### **Parkland District – Friday, June 13**

Hosted by the Town of Swan River - *Please register by June 9*

### **Northern District – Monday, June 16**

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### **Eastern District – Tuesday, June 17**

Hosted by the LGD of Pinawa - *Please register by June 11*

Visit [http://www.amm.mb.ca/events\\_june\\_form.html](http://www.amm.mb.ca/events_june_form.html) to register!

## Northern visits cover plenty of ground

The AMM Executive visited the RM of Kelsey, the Towns of The Pas, Snow Lake, and Grand Rapids, and the Cities of Thompson and Flin Flon between May 14 and 16. These meetings formed the Northern leg of the AMM's annual Municipal Visits.

Infrastructure funding was the major issue across the board, however health care, recycling, school taxes, TLE agreements, RCMP costs, and housing were also discussed. Issues specific to each community were raised as well.

President Bell notes that the municipal visits "provide a good opportunity to communicate one-on-one with our members from a specific region. This is beneficial for both of us." ■



*Pictured above: Members of the City of Flin Flon council meet with the AMM Executive.*

## Coming Events

### 2008 June District Meetings

#### Resolution Process

Points to remember:

- There is a new Category system (Category 1, 2 or 3)
- Only emerging issues may be raised after the June District Meetings.
- Resolutions the same as current AMM lobbying position will not be permitted when the existing resolution is less than four years old.
- Resolutions calling for a change in the current AMM position will be permitted

Questions? Visit the resolutions section on the AMM website at [http://www.amm.mb.ca/pol\\_active.cfm](http://www.amm.mb.ca/pol_active.cfm).

Please send any resolutions to:

**Tyler MacAfee, AMM Director of Policy and Communications**  
[tmacafee@amm.mb.ca](mailto:tmacafee@amm.mb.ca)  
204-856-2362

#### Deadlines

While we *prefer* to receive resolutions prior to the meetings, we will accept them up to and including **the day of your June District Meeting**.

**\*\*All resolutions, regardless of when they are submitted, must be passed by council.\*\***

### PSAB GAAP for Manitoba Municipalities

**PSAB Implementation - 2008 Training Sessions**  
*MRE, Environmental Liabilities & Landfills*

**Online registration is now available at the AMM website:**  
[http://www.amm.mb.ca/training\\_sessions.cfm](http://www.amm.mb.ca/training_sessions.cfm)

## Coming Events

### FCM Green Fund Call for Applications for Energy Projects

FCM is launching a call for applications for Green Municipal Fund (GMF) financing to support the implementation of energy efficiency retrofits to municipal buildings or the construction on new energy efficient buildings. Eligible applicants can request up to \$2 million in loans or \$300,000 in grants per project. The call for applications will be open from **May 7 to June 19, 2008**. For more information, including application guidelines, visit :

[www.sustainablecommunities.fcm.ca/GMF/Energy-CFP-2008.asp](http://www.sustainablecommunities.fcm.ca/GMF/Energy-CFP-2008.asp)

#### REGISTER NOW!

Friday June 6th, the Manitoba Eco-Network will hold a one-day workshop in Portage la Prairie focusing on water scarcity and flooding events. The workshop will provide hands on information to assist community water operators, towns, municipalities and conservation district planners to implement programs, policies and practices to prevent/adapt to drought and flood events.

Registration is free. Spaces are limited. **Deadline to register: June 2.** For more info, a link is available at:

[www.mbeconetwork.org/water/events.php](http://www.mbeconetwork.org/water/events.php)

To register, contact Sacha Kopelow Water Caucus Coordinator at: (204) 943-0318 or

[sacha@mbeconetwork.org](mailto:sacha@mbeconetwork.org)

Please provide your name, organization and contact info.

*Sponsored by The Manitoba Eco-Network, Gordon Foundation, and Manitoba Water Stewardship in partnership with the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs, Green Manitoba, and the International Institute for Sustainable Development.*



## Job Postings

### RM of Louise - Village of Crystal City - Administrative Officer

Crystal City is located within the RM of Louise, SW of Winnipeg and 10 miles from North Dakota US port of entry.

#### Summary of Responsibilities

Under the supervision of the CAO:

- Assist in the execution of policies set by Councils.
- Provide information to Councils in a timely and useful way to support decision making.
- Assist in administration of the business affairs of the municipalities in accordance with the Municipal Act and other statutes.
- Assist in the preparing, monitoring and controlling the financial plans.
- Assist in administering the entire taxation process.
- Act as Treasurer and/or Administrator of various Boards.
- Assume the duties of the CAO in her absence.
- Work in conjunction with/assist the CAO in regard to the administration of projects/programs and assists with various duties as required.

For a complete description contact Alexis Gardiner, ACAO at 873-2591. Please submit resume, a written cover letter, three references and salary expectations by June 5/08 to:

**The Human Resource Committee**  
**RM of Louise/Village of Crystal City**  
**Box 310, Crystal City MB**  
**R0K 0N0 Fax: 873-2459**

**Complete job posting available at**  
[http://www.amm.mb.ca/member\\_job.html](http://www.amm.mb.ca/member_job.html)

## Notices

### Consultations on Proposed Energy and Water Efficiency Requirements in Manitoba's Building and Plumbing Codes

For guidance on how stakeholders can participate in the consultations taking place until June 30, 2008, visit: <http://www.gov.mb.ca/labour/ofc/codeconsultations/>