



OCTOBER 20, 2010

ELECTION 2010

Nominations for all municipalities are now available for viewing at:



www.amm.mb.ca/election_2010.cfm

AMM Members, please ensure you fax/email/call in your election night results as soon as they are available!

Email: erempel@amm.mb.ca
 Fax: 204-856-2370
 Telephone: 204-856-2369

Your cooperation will help us provide a one-stop shop on October 27, 2010—Election Day!

In other election news...

Are you tired of the mud-slinging taking place in some elections? Visit our blog, *Municipal Musings*, at



<http://www.amm.mb.ca/blog/>

to read our latest post titled "Negativity not needed".

You can also join a discussion on our Facebook page, where we've posed the question "should Canada introduce quotas in politics?" We've linked to an interesting Globe & Mail article on that very subject. ■



PRE-BUDGET MEETINGS

The Province of Manitoba is hosting pre-budget meetings. We encourage AMM members to attend and raise your specific local concerns. Should you have an opportunity please consider asking for the following core needs as well:

An investment in municipal infrastructure by all levels of government

In Manitoba, the municipal infrastructure deficit is estimated to be over \$11 billion, yet the total municipal taxes levied in 2007 were just over \$730,000,000 – how are municipalities supposed to tackle this deficit?

An end to downloading and a requirement that new mandates come with new funding

Municipalities are continually being asked to do more, either through the downloading of responsibilities or through new mandates being forced on municipalities without accompanying revenue.

A commitment to provide new alternate revenues to municipalities

Relying on property taxes and provincial and federal grants alone is not enough. Municipalities need access to sustainable growth revenues. We would like the Province of Manitoba collect a one cent municipal tax to be allocated to municipalities for infrastructure and split equally among municipalities on a per capita basis. This will provide over \$200 million a year. ■

AMM MEETS WITH MPIC

The AMM met with the Manitoba Public Insurance Corp. on October 18th.

Compensation for traffic control at accident scenes was the first item on the agenda. MPIC is restricted to providing compensation to what is legislatively required. Discussion revolved around whether proposed legislative changes designating municipal firefighters as flagmen would impact this. MPIC indicated it would be helpful to find out how many 911 calls are for fires versus MVAs. AMM will survey its members to find out this information.

Next, the issue of false alarms was discussed. The MPIC has established a committee with police forces to discuss issues and they committed to include this on the agenda. MPIC reiterated that false alarms are not covered under legislation, but will get back to AMM after the group meets in November.

Increased awareness was also discussed including the commitment from MPIC to include these issues in a '60 second driver' spot. MPIC explained there have been some changes at the staff level including a new spokesperson for MPIC. New spots are being shot and these issues are included on the 2010 list. ■

Schedule:

Flin Flon -Thursday, Oct. 28, 12:00-2:00pm—The Victoria Inn, 160 PTH 10a

Thompson - Thursday, Oct. 28, 7:00-9:00pm - St. John's United Church, 52 Caribou Road

Winnipeg - Thursday, Nov. 4, 7:00-9:00pm - Norquay Community Centre, 65 Granville Street

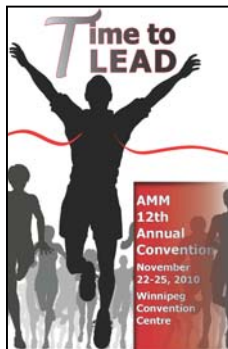
Misipawistik Cree Nation/ Grand Rapids - Friday, Nov. 5, 1:00-3:00pm - Chief Peter Beardy Memorial Hall

Ste. Rose Du Lac - Friday, Nov. 5, 7:00-9:00pm - Jolly Club, 638 1st Avenue SW

St. Laurent - Tuesday, Nov. 9th – Bilingual presentation – 7:00-9:00pm
 St. Laurent Parish Hall, Parish Lane # 119

Winnipeg - Thursday, Nov. 18, 7:00-9:00pm - Southdale Community Club 254 Lakewood Blvd

Coming Events



AMM 12th Annual Convention

November 22-25, 2010
Winnipeg Convention Centre

Visit our Convention webpage for all the details!

http://www.amm.mb.ca/events_convention.html

Registration times:

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21

Early-bird Convention Registration
4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
South East Concourse, 1st Floor

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 22

Convention Registration
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. – Hall A

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 23

Convention Registration
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. – Hall A

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 24

Convention Registration
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. – East Concourse



JOIN US FOR THE AMM

GALA EVENING

...where tradition will be embraced and the fresh and witty Gerry Dee will entertain!

Wednesday, November 24, 2010
Winnipeg Convention Centre

Doors and Cash Bar 6:00 pm
Dinner and Program 7:00 pm

Tickets on sale November 1st!

Pick your seat for the Gala:

<http://www.amm.mb.ca/documents/GalaSeating.pdf>

Notices

TD Green Streets is a national forestry initiative



designed to help make an environmental difference in local communities across Canada. Since 1994, more than 370 municipalities have participated in this important program.

Under the program, 20 grants of up to \$15,000 each are awarded to municipalities for planting and/or maintaining trees within their communities.

Applications are being accepted until December 17, 2010, for the 2011 program.

To learn more or to apply for a 2011 TD Green Streets grant, visit www.tdgreenstreets.ca

2011 FCM Sustainable Community Awards

Is your municipality a leader in housing regulations? Does an initiative in your community merit national recognition?

The 2011 FCM Sustainable Community Awards celebrate excellence in sustainable community development by highlighting the best municipal initiatives that link environmental, social and economic goals.

If your community has made regulatory changes to improve housing affordability and housing options, you may be eligible for an award in the **residential development** category.

Awards will also be granted in eight categories: **brownfields, buildings, energy, planning, residential development, transportation, waste and water.**

Please apply by November 5, 2010. For more information:

E-mail: awards@fcm.ca
Tel.: 613-907-6334
Fax: 613-244-1515

www.sustainablecommunities.fcm.ca/FCM-CH2M-Awards/

Announcements

People First forms alliance with Boyden World Corp.

Boyden Global Executive Search, a world-class professional search firm with 80 offices in 43 countries, will open an office in Winnipeg as part of an integrated strategic alliance with Winnipeg's **People First HR Services**. As one of the best-connected firms of its kind in the world, Boyden Global Executive Search will recruit professional candidates from its worldwide network for businesses in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and northwestern Ontario. The **Winnipeg offices of Boyden Global Executive Search** will be located at the People First office at Portage and Main.

Boyden Global Executive Search is a global leader in the executive search industry. Founded in 1946, Boyden specializes in high-level executive search, interim management and human capital consulting across a broad spectrum of industries. The new Winnipeg office brings Boyden's number of offices to 80 offices. Boyden is located in 43 countries.

www.boyden.com

People First HR Services is Manitoba's largest full-service human resources provider. The firm of dedicated HR professionals has broad industry experience across a range of business sectors, complemented by strong academic credentials and professional designations. People First delivers high quality business solutions in the practice areas of recruiting, general HR consulting and career management. In 2010, People First celebrated its 10th anniversary.

www.peoplefirsthr.com

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