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5. If municipal officials are viewing the proceedings with a desktop or laptop and using the WiFi where there's other users (municipal office), the connection will have to be increased.



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 the 22nd Annual VIRTUAL AMM Convention.

I can't think of a better theme for this year's event. As municipal leaders, you have led your communities through the unprecedented events of 2020. I can say with certainty that I have never been prouder of this association or our members for the strength and resilience you have demonstrated while 'Leading through Adversity'.

This year's Annual Convention will not look, feel, or sound the same as past conventions. And as accustomed to doing things 'virtually' as we have become, there is no replacement for face-to-face greetings, seeing old friends, meeting new, and networking with colleagues from around the province.

At the same time, I am so pleased that we can continue to gather in a safe, online format to attend to the important annual business of presenting our financial statement, debating resolutions, and electing the AMM Executive Officers.

We will meet in person again. Until then, we will do our very best to continue to 'Lead through Adversity'. Enjoy your 22nd Annual Virtual Convention.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ralph Groening'.



A Message from
GARTH FRIZZELL
PRESIDENT OF THE FEDERATION OF CANADIAN MUNICIPALITIES

Dear AMM delegates,

Municipal leaders are on the front lines of COVID-19. In Manitoba and across the country, we've worked flat-out to protect Canadians and keep vital services running strong.

As your national voice, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities has been there every step of the way. From coordinating frontline efforts to shaping Canada's pandemic response. Together with AMM, our relentless advocacy helped unlock \$105 million in federal funding for Manitoba municipalities facing financial crisis.

FCM's top priority remains ensuring you have the tools to protect your residents from a second wave. We're also laying out a strong municipal vision for Canada's recovery. Recovering from this pandemic will require a bold plan rooted in the cities and communities where Canadians live, work and raise their children. With our frontline expertise, local leaders are ready to build a more prosperous, resilient and connected Canada—one that's inclusive for everyone.

I'm so proud of our work together. But we need to keep it up. With a strong and united voice, local leaders can bring this country back stronger than ever. We're in this together.

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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 2020 Association of Manitoba Municipalities Annual Convention via live stream.

This conference occurs during a challenging time for Manitoba and its municipal governments. As we work to address the many issues presented by the COVID-19 global pandemic—in particular its fiscal consequences—we must continue our efforts to improve the quality, accessibility and efficiency of the services we provide to the public. I am

confident that the strong leadership provided by the AMM ensures that our local governments will play a positive, effective role in placing Manitoba back on the road to recovery.

This year's conference also reminds us of the important contributions made by so many Manitobans to their communities as mayors, Reeves and councilors, both past and present. I join our fellow Manitobans in expressing our appreciation to the AMM, its executive and members, for your leadership and commitment to make our communities safer, stronger and more prosperous. The important work you are doing today ensures the only thing better than today in Manitoba will be tomorrow in Manitoba.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brian Pallister". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.



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 extend vice-regal greetings to the members of the Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) as you come together – virtually – for your annual convention.

We are living in extraordinary times, facing extraordinary challenges as a society. The global pandemic is testing us in ways that make community leadership particularly vital as we find our way forward.

AMM members continue to play pivotal roles in providing quality leadership to municipalities in all parts of Manitoba. Your work is important, not only within your local communities, but in contributing to the strength and prosperity of our great province. Your commitment to leadership, combined with prairie grit and perseverance, has changed the format of your annual convention, but it also heightened your dedication to service and professional development. The results are bound to be stronger communities, and a stronger province, for us all.

Congratulations to the AMM board of directors, staff and volunteers for your ongoing great work in supporting municipal leadership and providing an effective voice for our province's network of municipalities. You are making a positive difference in the lives of thousands of Manitobans now, and for years to come.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Janice Filmon". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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A Message from
WAB KINEW
LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION

It is my pleasure to bring greetings to the Association of Manitoba Municipalities Annual Convention.

I understand that due to COVID-19, this year's convention looks different than it has over the last 21 years. I appreciate the leadership that AMM has displayed by prioritizing safety while facilitating community growth and discussion.

The Manitoba NDP caucus understands that Manitoban municipalities are simultaneously dealing with the impacts of the climate crisis, a provincial government that ignores the concerns of agricultural producers, provincial budget cuts to rural communities, and now to rural health care.

Folks living in Manitoban municipalities deserve a government that factors in the communities' concerns when making decisions that impact that community.

That is why, despite the ongoing pandemic, I've been travelling to rural Manitoba as often as I can this year - to Brandon, Dauphin, Roblin, Gimli, and many other communities, to listen to the concerns of rural Manitobans.

Miigwech (thank you). [Click here for a pre-recorded message from Wab Kinew](#)



A Message from
DOUGALD LAMONT
LEADER OF THE MANITOBA LIBERAL PARTY

Warm greetings to all the members of AMM.

This is certainly an extraordinary year - not just because of the pandemic.

Throughout this crisis, we have been calling on the federal and provincial governments alike to do what it takes to ensure that you have the resources you need to weather this crisis.

You were elected by the people of your municipality to represent and stand up for their interests, and to provide essential services that your community needs to grow. You have asked for a fair share and a fair say.

Over the last four years, the Federal government has offered record increases in transfers and over \$1-billion for infrastructure. Instead of passing that money to you - where it is needed the most - the PCs have been cutting funding to roads, bridges, infrastructure, while creating appointed boards to override your decisions. The PCs are not cutting and freezing because they have to. They are cutting your budget because they want to.

These are uncertain times - but there will be a time, hopefully soon, that the pandemic will be behind us. The time to invest and build a foundation for a strong recovery is now.

A strong recovery requires strong municipal governments. You have our support.

[Click here for a pre-recorded message from Dougald Lamont](#)

Messages



A Message from
GRANT OSTIR
PRESIDENT OF WESTERN FINANCIAL GROUP INSURANCE
SERVICES

On behalf of Western Financial Group Insurance Solutions, we extend our greetings to all attendees of the Association of Manitoba Municipalities Annual Convention.

It has been an extraordinary year, and we want to acknowledge the work that the AMM and all municipalities do day in and day out. Your work is the backbone of your communities, and helps create an environment for those in your areas to thrive. We are inspired by your commitment and dedication.

As the AMM Insurance Programs administrator for the past 40 years, we understand the significance of providing members with a program they can rely on, especially during these challenging times. Our commitment has always been to provide municipalities with best-in-class Commercial and Employee Benefits programs that provide ownership, stability, and a higher level of control resulting in consistent returns of premium. We continue to work with our industry partners to strengthen the programs through risk management, new offerings and enhancements designed to protect municipalities.

Our continued relationship with the AMM, ensures its members have access to reliable insurance coverage and expert advice as they navigate the challenges of the future. It is truly a privilege to serve municipalities across Manitoba, and we look forward to working in unison with the AMM and its members.



Messages



A Message from
NETTIE NEUDORF
PRESIDENT OF THE MANITOBA MUNICIPAL
ADMINISTRATORS ASSOCIATION

On behalf of the Manitoba Municipal Administrators Association (MMAA) I would like to extend a warm greeting to attendees of the 2020 AMM Annual Convention. As a professional development organization, we at the MMAA represent the clerical, administrative staff and chief administrative officers (CAOs) who are responsible for the daily operations of the province's municipalities. We add value to municipal offices by both advocating for and providing programs and services to our members which further the principles of accountability, good governance and social responsibility.

One such example of the MMAA's mission and influence is our certificate program in Municipal Administration which is run in collaboration with the University of Manitoba. Our member graduates hold many of the top jobs in Manitoba's Municipalities. When one of our accredited members is hired you can be assured that they have attained the requisite skills and knowledge which are required by such a demanding profession.

Our continued close relationship with the AMM assures both organizations will hold common objectives and future vision. I look forward to working with Executive Director Denys Volkov at maintaining and strengthening those ties in the coming years



A Message from
CHRIS HENDERSON
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE TREATY LAND ENTITLEMENT
COMMITTEE OF MANITOBA INC.

On behalf of our Member Entitlement First Nations that make up the Treaty Land Entitlement Committee of Manitoba Inc., I am honoured to offer my warmest greetings to all delegates of the Association of Manitoba Municipalities Annual Convention. I hope this message finds you, your families and your communities well during these extraordinary times.

2020 has definitely been an unforgettable and unique year. Not only have we witnessed and are living through a global pandemic, but we've also observed and acknowledged the Province of Manitoba's 150th anniversary.

This year also marks the 23rd anniversary of the signing of the Manitoba Framework Agreement on Treaty Land Entitlement, which was signed by Canada, Manitoba and our organization. It was originally intended to provide 1.1 million acres of additional Reserve land throughout Manitoba to our Member First Nations. 23 years later, over 560,000 acres has been set aside as Reserve by Canada.

As we continue our work, I also want to acknowledge and salute those municipalities and their citizens who are taking concrete steps, both large and small, to further the reconciliation process between all Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples throughout Manitoba. Stay safe.

Miiigwech/Ekosani/Masi Cho/Thank you



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Lionel Alexiuk
RM of Stuartburn
Councillor
2009-2010

Paul Brant
RM of Headingley
Councillor
2010-2018

Lorne Erb
RM of Headingley
CAO
1992-2000

Ed Anderson
Town of Boissevain
Councillor/Mayor
1980-1990/1990-2017

Julie Chase
Town of Melita
CAO
2003-2014

David Franklin
RM of Winchester
Councillor
1985-1989

Don Arnold
RM of Whitewater
Councillor
1983-1995/1998-2006

Harold Clayton
City of Portage la Prairie
Councillor
1986-1989/1992-1997

Ed Fritsch
Town of Virden
Councillor
1976-1980

Bernard Ayotte
RM of Montcalm
CAO
1948-1978

Arthur Cowan
RM of Cameron
Reeve
1978-2003

William Fulford
Town of Morris
Councillor
1977-1980/2002-2006

G. L. (Lorry) Balabanski
Town of Carberry
Councillor
1986-1992

Cecil Cox
Town of Neepawa
Councillor
1990-1995

Rick Gabrielle
RM of Sifton
Councillor
2015-2020

Arnold Ernest Bayduza
RM of Dauphin
Councillor/Reeve
1986-1989/1989-1995

Graham Craig
City of Flin Flon
Councillor/Mayor
1986-1992/1992-1998

Alex Glowachuk
RM of Rockwood
Councillor
1986-1998

Harlan Bestland
RM of Macdonald
Councillor
1992-1998

Dennis Crowe
RM of Winchester
Councillor/Reeve
1995-1998/2002-2006

Henry Goerzen
RM of Turtle Mountain
Councillor
1981-1986

Georges Boily
RM of La Broquerie
Councillor/Reeve
1960-1964/1964-1971

Leo Danis
RM of St. Clements
Councillor
1990-1992

Marion Grieve
RM of Yellowhead
Councillor
1930-1947

Duane Boutang
RM of Piney
Reeve
2010-2014

Felix Desrochers
RM of Victoria
Councillor
1992-2002

Wilbert (Bill) Heather
RM of Taché
Councillor
2010-2020

In Memoriam

Cliff Hicks
Town of Melita
CAO
1973-1997

Wendelyn Menzies
Town of Neepawa
Councillor
2006-2010

Bernie Stahn
RM of Hanover
Councillor
2002-2019

Barry W. Hodgins
RM of Victoria
Councillor
2006-2010/2018-2020

John Page
RM of Glenwood
Councillor
1993-1995

Daniel (Dan) Thiessen
RM of Morris
Councillor/Reeve
1977-1983/1983-1995

Elmer Hywarren
RM of Ritchot
Councillor
2010-2014

Dennis Persoage
RM of Rockwood
Councillor
1999-2010

David S. Toews
RM of Rhineland
Councillor
1992-2002

Fred Jackson
RM of North Cypress/
Municipality of North
Cypress-Langford
Councillor
2002-2010/2014-2019

Edwin Peters
RM of Morton
Councillor
2004-2007

Bryan Tyerman
Town of Boissevain
Councillor
1995-1998

Dennis Jarema
RM of North Norfolk
Councillor
1989-2010

Norman Purkess
RM of Victoria
Councillor
1981-1989/1995-2002

Colin Vann
RM of Cartier
Reeve
1998-2002

Laurent Kerbrat
RM of St. Laurent
Councillor
2014-2020

Marcel Raffard
RM of DeSalaberry
Councillor
2006-2010

Keith Wadham
RM of Wallace
Councillor
2002-2010

Judy Kolada
City of Thompson
Councillor/Deputy
Mayor
1994-2020

Heather Rothnie
Town of Hamiota
Councillor
2006-2014

Frank Woods
RM of Gimli
Councillor
1995-2002

John Marshall
RM of Macdonald
Councillor
1992-1998

John Semenko
RM of East St. Paul
Councillor
1981-1989

Steve Wozney
RM of Park
Councillor
1969-1977

Chuck McArthur
Town of Souris
Councillor
1984-1986

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RM of Grandview
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1977-1998

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Agenda



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Ministerial Forum



In partnership with the Province of Manitoba, the AMM is pleased to announce that the Ministerial Forum will take place at our upcoming virtual AMM Convention on November 23, 2020.

The Forum will be chaired by AMM President, Ralph Groening and the Minister of Municipal Relations, the Hon. Rochelle Squires. Ministers will be available for one hour on Convention Day to answer any questions that you may have.

The Ministerial Forum is an excellent opportunity to ensure your municipal concerns are heard through the question and answer period.

We encourage all voting members to send your questions to the Minister ahead of time so that you are able to sit back on Convention day and enjoy the proceedings.

Agenda

9:00 am	Opening Remarks
	AMM President's Address
	The Honourable Brian Pallister Premier of Manitoba
	The Honourable Dan Vandal Minister of Northern Affairs
	AMM Business Meeting
	Break
10:00 am	Ministerial Forum
11:00 am	AMM Executive Committee Elections
	Acceptance Speech from AMM President-Elect Kam Blight
	Speeches from AMM Vice-Presidential Candidates
	Election for AMM Vice-Presidents
	Break
11:30 am	Resolutions
	Result of AMM Vice-Presidential Election
	Closing Remarks

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Elections



Elections

The nomination period for the 2020 Executive Committee elections has closed. In total, one (1) nomination was received for AMM President and seven (7) nominations were received for AMM Vice-President.

The AMM would like to acknowledge Reeve Kam Blight (RM of Portage la Prairie) on becoming the AMM President-Designate.

[View Vice-Presidential Candidates](#)

1. November 13: Voting municipal officials will receive an email from Data On The Spot (DOTS) which will include a unique link to the secure voting page. A voting municipal official will be required to enter their name and personal email address. This can be accessed from your mobile device. There will be a test question. **Please bookmark the webpage or save the link.**
2. November 16: Executive Elections & Resolutions Advance Polling opens. Voting members can use their mobile devices to access the Election and Resolutions voting web portal.
3. November 16-20: All registered municipal officials will receive an email from AMM that will include the link to sign into the Zoom webinar.
4. November 23: AMM Convention will begin at 9:00 am. It is recommended that viewers sign in to the live-stream at **10-15** minutes prior to the stream.

Sit back and enjoy your 22nd Annual Convention.



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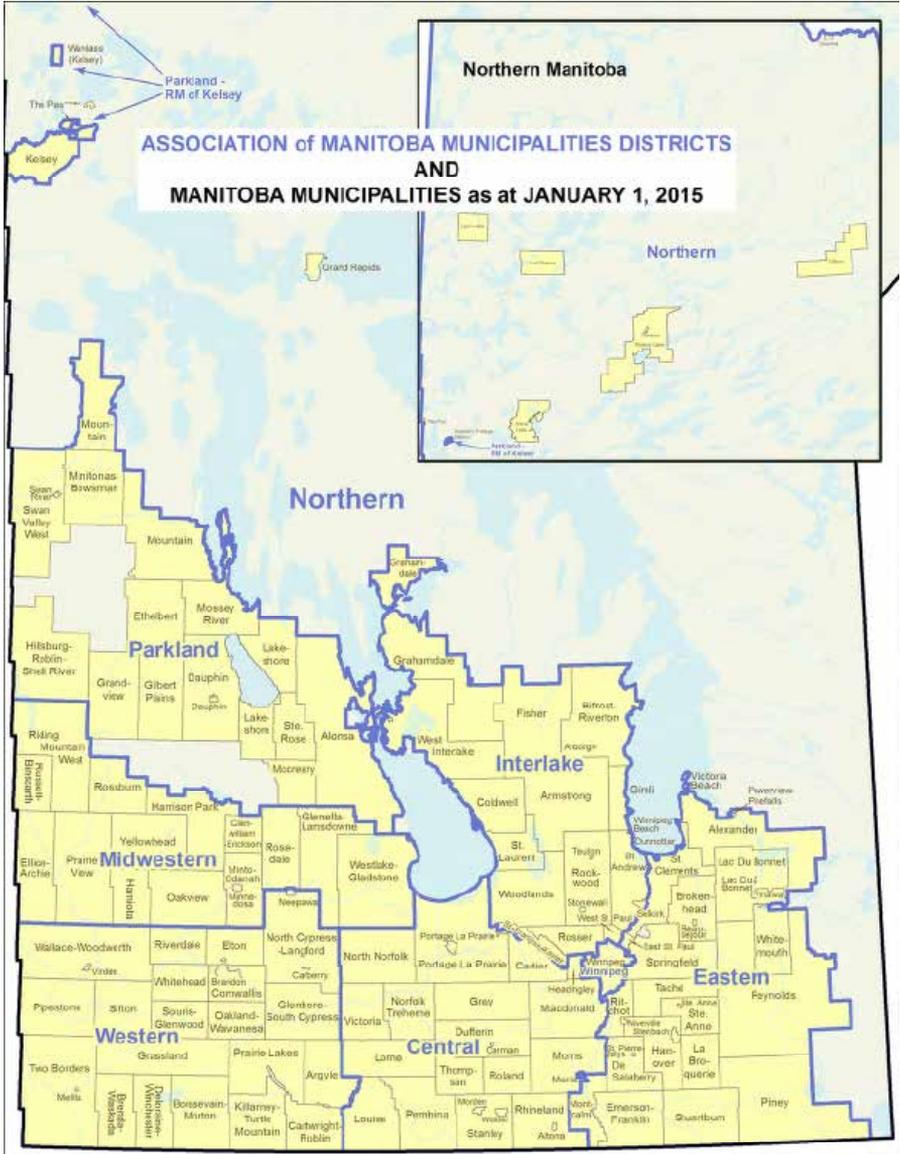
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AMM District Map



Rules for Resolutions Sessions

RULES FOR RESOLUTIONS SESSION

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and corresponding public health orders, voting during the resolutions session will be conducted using the secure DOTS web portal.

PRIOR TO CONVENTION DAY

1. All eligible voters wanting to speak for/against a particular resolution, propose an amendment, and/or seek clarification regarding a resolution's wording/intent are encouraged to contact the AMM office by November 13, 2020.
2. Any pre-identified resolution will be 'locked' in the secure DOTS web portal so no voting can take place until Convention Day.
3. Advanced Voting will commence on November 16, 2020 using the secure DOTS web portal for all other resolutions. Voting on these resolutions can take place at any time until the resolutions session ends on Convention Day.

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4. On Convention Day, the resolutions session will be moderated by a Chair assisted by a Parliamentarian as per previous years.
5. Only pre-identified 'locked' resolutions will be debated during the resolution's session.
6. The Moderator will provide answers/clarifications to any previously submitted questions and/or comments regarding pre-identified 'locked' resolutions that the AMM received by the November 13th deadline.
7. Once the Moderator has provided the clarifying remarks, the resolution in the secure DOTS web portal will become 'unlocked' and eligible voters will be able to click on their voting link to cast their votes.
8. If voting members have any pressing issues that may arise, please use the Convention Day Hotline phone number at 1-204-856-3526.
9. The secure DOTS web portal will remain open until the last pre-identified 'locked' resolution is addressed.

AMENDMENTS

10. If a proposed amendment is received prior to the November 13th deadline, the Moderator will read the proposed amendment aloud on Convention Day and determine whether 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, voting members will be able to use the secure DOTS web portal to cast their votes on the amendment.
12. If the amendment is passed, the remainder of the debate follows the normal resolution process.

Rules for Resolutions Sessions

DEBATING STANDING POLICY RESOLUTIONS

13. A delegate wishing to debate a Standing Policy resolution must move a motion asking the Chair to “suspend the rules” prior to the November 13th deadline.
14. The Chair will ask for the vote on the motion on Convention Day via the secure DOTS web portal. The motion passes if 2/3 of delegates vote in favour of it.
15. If the motion is passed, the remainder of the debate follows the normal resolution process.

VOTING RESULTS

16. Following clarifying remarks by the Moderator, eligible voters will be able to cast their votes using the secure DOTS web portal.
17. Once the resolutions session concludes, the results will be displayed and read aloud immediately following the end of voting.

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.

AMM Resolution #01-2020

Reaffirming Local Authority Over Land-Use Planning

Sponsor(s)

Selkirk, City (Interlake)
Springfield, RM (Eastern)
Altona, Town (Central)
Thompson, City (Northern)
Prairie View Municipality (Midwestern)
Dauphin, City (Parkland)
Pembina, Municipality (Central)
Reynolds, RM (Eastern)
Beausejour, Town (Eastern)
Brokenhead, RM (Eastern)

Department(s)

Manitoba Municipal Relations

WHEREAS Bill 48 amends *The Planning Act and The City of Winnipeg Charter Act* making local land-use decisions subject to appeal to the Municipal Board and introduces strict timelines for critical land use planning processes; and

WHEREAS this bill makes significant changes to the land-use processes all municipalities and planning districts use to govern the development of their communities; and

WHEREAS this bill allows applicants to challenge the decisions and conditions of approvals that duly elected municipal councils make in the interests of their communities; and

WHEREAS the Municipal Board can overturn local decisions and impose new conditions and fees on municipalities; and

WHEREAS the process for challenging these decisions turns the final decision over to the Municipal Board who is not accountable to the citizens of the impacted community; and

WHEREAS municipalities cannot appeal the decisions of the Municipal Board; and

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WHEREAS these new processes and the involvement of the Municipal Board in local decision making introduces a new layer of red tape, removes the autonomy of local communities to shape their own social and economic development, and adds significant new costs to municipalities; and

WHEREAS having uniform timelines that apply to Winnipeg and the smallest of rural and northern municipalities does not recognize the inherent operational differences and capacities of smaller municipalities; and

WHEREAS municipal governments want to have efficient, transparent, timely, affordable, and citizen-focused land-use and economic development services that help to strengthen their communities by balancing the needs of a growing Manitoba economy with the interests and needs of their own residents;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to remove the appeals processes proposed in Bill 48 and replace them with measures that enhance accountability for land-use decisions, but ensures that local councils and planning districts retain the authority to shape and guide community development and land-use within their communities; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Province of Manitoba amend Bill 48 to remove the uniform setting of timelines for land-use planning processes and replace them with clauses that empower municipalities to set timelines for these same processes that align with the capacity of the municipality to affordably provide these services.

AMM Resolution #02-2020

Increasing Planning Region Accountability

Sponsor(s)

Springfield, RM (Eastern)
Selkirk, City (Interlake)
Thompson, City (Northern)
Dauphin, City (Parkland)
Prairie View Municipality (Midwestern)

Department(s)

Manitoba Municipal Relations

WHEREAS Bill 48 amends *The Planning Act and The City of Winnipeg Charter Act* to provide for the establishment of planning regions; and

WHEREAS the process for creating a planning region does not provide municipal governments with the ability to determine for themselves whether they are to be included in a region or not; and

WHEREAS municipal governments, who are elected by the citizens to make decisions about the community's land-uses, long-term economic development, and management of municipal infrastructure, are best positioned to determine whether participation in a planning region benefits their citizens; and

WHEREAS this bill provides authority and powers to planning regions that have significant impacts on municipal governance and operations; and

WHEREAS planning regions are provided with the unrestricted ability to establish their own budgets and pass along these expenses to member municipalities without municipal government approval or ability to appeal; and

WHEREAS planning regions are provided with the authority to approve regional plans without any clear requirement to consult member municipalities nor obtain approval or support for the plan from member municipalities; and

WHEREAS regional plans will include plans and policies regulating the provision of infrastructure and services such as water, wastewater, stormwater, drainage, solid waste, recycling, transportation, transit and emergency services; and

WHEREAS planning regions are provided with unrestricted power to expropriate lands, including municipally owned lands;

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to amend Bill 48 to ensure that inclusion into a planning region require formal approval from the impacted municipal government; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Bill 48 be amended to ensure that municipalities identified as members of the Capital Region are provided with an opportunity to formally approve or decline inclusion within the region; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Province of Manitoba introduce mechanisms within Bill 48 that ensure that Planning Regions are accountable to their member municipalities by such measures as, but not limited to, requiring budgets and regional plans get approved by the councils of member municipalities; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the power of expropriation is removed from planning regions.

AMM Resolution #03-2020

Maintaining Public Services in Local Communities

Sponsor(s)

Selkirk, City (Interlake)
Dauphin, City (Parkland)
Thompson, City (Northern)
Portage la Prairie, City (Central)

Department(s)

Manitoba Municipal Relations

WHEREAS centralization of provincial, crown agency and health services is a significant challenge in the delivery of services in communities outside of Winnipeg, and affects the quality of public services, employment, and economy of the impacted municipalities; and

WHEREAS at least 40% of Manitoba's population resides outside of Winnipeg; and

WHEREAS many provincial, crown agency and health services are being removed or reallocated from municipalities and centralized within the City of Winnipeg; and

WHEREAS municipalities outside of Winnipeg are suffering and local needs are not being met due to reduced access to services and eliminated or vacant employment positions; and

WHEREAS the continued centralization of services and closing of much needed public services could be detrimental to the growth or survival of our communities, and wellness of our residents; and

WHEREAS centralizing services into one population center with limited or no distributed additional capacity makes essential public services less resilient to the impacts of pandemics and natural disaster events;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to discontinue the practice of removing and reducing provincial, crown agency and health services in communities outside of Winnipeg and work with municipalities to find cost-effective ways of maintaining service delivery and employment in local communities.

AMM Resolution #04-2020

Maintenance of Designated Roadway (DR) Routes

Sponsor(s)

Glenboro-South Cypress,
Municipality (Western)
Deloraine-Winchester,
Municipality (Western)
Two Borders, Municipality (Western)
Argyle, RM (Western)
Brenda-Waskada, Municipality (Western)

Department(s)

Manitoba Municipal Relations
Manitoba Infrastructure

WHEREAS the main commercial routes within most communities are Designated Roadways “DR” routes owned by the Province of Manitoba; and

WHEREAS from time to time, municipalities have chosen to access funds through the Urban Highway Fund and the Municipal Road Improvement Program to work in partnership with Manitoba Infrastructure for the repair and maintenance of said “DR” routes, said programs are no longer in existence; and

WHEREAS said “DR” routes are in deplorable conditions causing unsafe conditions for traffic due to not receiving the necessary maintenance and upkeep;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to improve the rapid repair and maintenance of said “DR” routes; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to re-establish funding programs which would allow municipalities access to funding enabling the municipalities to partner with Manitoba Infrastructure, from time to time, for the repair and maintenance of said “DR” routes.

AMM Resolution #05-2020

Exempt Municipal Ditches

Sponsor(s)

Emerson-Franklin, Municipality
(Eastern)
Stuartburn, RM (Eastern)

Department(s)

Manitoba Conservation and
Climate
Manitoba Agriculture and
Resource Development

WHEREAS *The Municipal Act* Section 294.1(2) states “Subject to the rights vested in any other party under *The Water Resources Administration Act* or *The Water Rights Act*, a municipality has jurisdiction over every drain within its boundaries; and

WHEREAS the municipality has a duty to maintain those drains to an appropriate standard determined by the Municipality under Section 294.1(3) of *The Municipal Act*; and

WHEREAS beavers often impede drainage making it difficult for the municipality to maintain drainage to the appropriate standard; and

WHEREAS the Province has established regulations to protect beavers, their activities, structures and habitat; and

WHEREAS the protection at times conflict with the preservation of infrastructure, the safety of the public and increases the occurrence of flooding and generally does not have the public’s interest in mind;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to exempt municipal ditches and drains from the restrictions surrounding the humane removal of beavers and their associated structures.

AMM Resolution #06-2020

Quarry Rehabilitation Program

Sponsor(s)

Ste. Anne, RM (Eastern)

Department(s)

Manitoba Agriculture and
Resource Development

WHEREAS in 1992 Manitoba Agriculture and Resource Development developed a program under *The Mines and Minerals Act* for site rehabilitation and remediation of depleted aggregate quarries and pits as an economic incentive to the aggregate industry to implement and encourage sustainable development; and

WHEREAS a reserve fund was established where an environmental levy was collected on aggregate production in order to facilitate this rehabilitation program; and

WHEREAS after financial irregularities regarding this program were discovered dating back to 2012, the Province of Manitoba launched a forensic investigation headed by the Auditor General and the rehabilitation program has since been put into review and is currently on hold, yet the associated fees continue to be levied; and

WHEREAS the rehabilitation of aggregate pits and quarries in the Province of Manitoba not only supports clean and safe surface and aquifer water, but also supports economic and recreational benefits to the Province of Manitoba; and

WHEREAS the status of the Manitoba Pit and Quarry Rehabilitation Program was kept in confidence within Manitoba Agriculture and Resource Development, even after being repeatedly questioned by the Municipality;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to re-establish Manitoba's Pit and Quarry Rehabilitation Program to its full previous operation and for all applicable environmental levies to be reported to the Department but retained by the Municipalities until the Program is fully functioning; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to establish new procedures to ensure open and transparent communication with stakeholders regarding program which directly affect municipalities.

AMM Resolution #07-2020

Crown Land

Sponsor(s)

Armstrong, RM (Interlake)

Department(s)

Manitoba Agriculture and
Resource Development

WHEREAS Crown Land in a municipality can contribute to the economic development objective of municipalities; and

WHEREAS the recent *Crown Lands Amendment Act* meant to improve management of community pastures and agricultural crown lands is not conducive in this objective as it increases risk and decreases potential for success by limiting the expansion of local farms and limits farmers relocating to the area to reside on their farms without making serious financial repercussions; and

WHEREAS a municipalities development relies highly on their local residents, local businesses and land enhancements; and

WHEREAS land enhancements require predictability which is essential to long-term planning related to livestock operations;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to ensure the continued use and process of unit and family transfers; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT a rental rate formula that is fair, easily understood, recognizes market conditions and does not place an undue financial burden on the producers be implemented.

AMM Resolution #08-2020

Trespass to Property Legislation

Sponsor(s)

Ste. Anne, RM (Eastern)

Department(s)

Manitoba Justice

WHEREAS municipalities throughout the Province of Manitoba are dealing with a rise in crime, illicit drug use, terrorism, domestic and public violence and home invasions; and

WHEREAS Manitobans who protect themselves and their properties from impacts of crime-related offences should be able to do so without fear of further civil persecution; and

WHEREAS the Province of Saskatchewan has already given Royal Assent to *The Trespass to Property Amendment Act* and the Province of Alberta has already introduced their Bill 27, each which would protect their citizens from such civil suits should the Provincial Court Authorities absolve them of criminal offenses for their action taken while protecting themselves, their family or their property;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to introduce legislation similar to those of the Provinces of Saskatchewan and Alberta, protecting citizens from civil suits arising from injuries which occur to criminal in the course of their criminal activity should the Court of Queen's Bench clear the citizen of charges related to injuries incurred to other during their defence.

AMM Resolution #09-2020

Navigational System for 911

Sponsor(s)

Portage la Prairie, RM (Central)

Department(s)

Manitoba Justice

Manitoba Infrastructure

WHEREAS emergency response is required everywhere; and

WHEREAS current systems are absent or insufficient to navigate emergency response to the right location in the most efficient time, causing delays to emergency response; and

WHEREAS municipalities recognize that navigational systems are available and/or able to be built to assist in arriving at the site of emergency as quick as possible;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to implement a navigational system compatible to all addressing systems in Manitoba for all emergency response units and that all 911 responders receive adequate training on all addressing systems.

AMM Resolution #10-2020

Proceeds from Rural Crime

Sponsor(s)

Argyle, RM (Western)
Glenboro-South Cypress,
Municipality (Western)
Prairie Lakes, RM (Western)
Two Borders, Municipality (Western)

Department(s)

Manitoba Justice
Public Safety and Emergency
Preparedness

WHEREAS rural crime continues to be a growing problem, having detrimental impacts on rural residents with respect to costs, personal safety, mental health, anxiety and other concerns;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba and Government of Canada to implement more robust and effective strategies to reduce rural crime and to enact timely, meaningful and stiffer penalties against those who commit crimes or profit from them; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT any proceeds from the solution of such crimes are reimbursed to victim organizations or into provincial programs to increase funding for such Rural Crime Prevention programs.

AMM Resolution #11-2020

Cameras at Provincial Intersections

Sponsor(s)

Argyle, RM (Western)
Glenboro-South Cypress,
Municipality (Western)
Prairie Lakes, RM (Western)

Department(s)

Manitoba Justice
Manitoba Infrastructure

WHEREAS crime is increasing in rural areas during periods when occupants are not there or during night time hours causing crime to go undetected until a time period has lapsed, allowing sufficient time for criminals to escape undetected; and

WHEREAS the regulations under FIPPA and PHIA may regulate the locations, notifications, and restrictions to the use of security cameras and the use of recorded surveillance footage; and

WHEREAS security systems that would effectively identify criminals and criminal activity can become costly when purchased and installed for both municipal land and dwellings as well as for residential land and dwellings; and

WHEREAS many provincial highway intersections in Manitoba have road cameras installed that will display weather conditions as well as traffic conditions;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to create favourable legislation for the use and installation of security camera systems and the use of recorded footage in order to help prevent rural crime from occurring, and the apprehension of the criminals; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to create programs that will offer rebates for the purchase of security cameras; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to install and/or update cameras at all provincial intersections that can properly detect any and all vehicles using such roadways to aid in the identification of vehicles.

AMM Resolution #12-2020

Municipal Cottaging Initiative

Sponsor(s)

Fisher, RM (Interlake)

Department(s)

Manitoba Conservation and
Climate

WHEREAS the program to create 1,000 new cottage lots in the Province was considered to be a highly successful and popular government program when it was initiated; and

WHEREAS these lots were established largely on provincial crown land in unorganized or northern affairs territories and had no benefit from a property tax perspective to municipal governments; and

WHEREAS rural populations have been stagnant or in decline in too many areas of rural Manitoba for too long; and

WHEREAS the provincial government has staff with the technical expertise in areas such as surveying, environmental impact review, planning, water and wastewater treatment, hydro electric development, infrastructure development and could be of great assistance to municipalities in establishing rural cottage developments in municipalities;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to establish a Municipal Cottaging Initiative in order to assist rural municipalities in developments of this nature with special emphasis on the challenges mentioned in the final whereas clause above; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the provincial government consider offering some form of capital assistance for the above in the form of straight up cost-sharing or a form of in-kind assistance by designated staff to aid in addressing the various challenges inherent in developments envisioned here; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the essence of this program be to stave off rural population declines as well as to stimulate economic growth and that it be rolled out in a timely manner to coincide with the 150th anniversary of our province.

AMM Resolution #13-2020

Mattress Disposal

Sponsor(s)

Thompson, City (Northern)

Department(s)

Manitoba Conservation and
Climate

WHEREAS the disposal of mattresses at landfills creates problems with reduced landfill useful life, through the displacement of volume by mattress materials; and

WHEREAS compacting mattresses using standard landfill equipment causes equipment maintenance issues, especially with mattress springs getting caught in landfill machinery; and

WHEREAS mattress recycling services are available in southern Manitoba, which incur high storage and transportation costs for municipalities to use such services, disproportionate to the costs of landfilling mattresses; and

WHEREAS the pursuit of the principles of environmental sustainability require society to consider the impacts of actions on future generations and municipal sustainability, including landfill operations;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to establish a product stewardship environmental levy on the sale of mattresses, which such levy being able to defray the costs borne by municipalities and recyclers of mattresses.

AMM Resolution #14-2020

Zebra Mussels

Sponsor(s)

Flin Flon, City (Northern)

Department(s)

Fisheries and Oceans Canada
Manitoba Conservation and
Climate

WHEREAS zebra mussels, an invasive species, have taken hold in Manitoba; and

WHEREAS there is poor public knowledge and understanding of the program; and

WHEREAS there are currently limited resources for the government to effectively execute preventative measures to stop the spread of Aquatic Invasive Species, including Zebra Mussels from expanding in Manitoba; and

WHEREAS Aquatic Invasive Species, in particular zebra mussels, have significant ecological, social and economic impacts, including: increased maintenance costs of water supplies and associated infrastructure due to blockage of water resulting in changes in the aquatic ecosystem that can impact tourism in all areas of Manitoba;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba and Government of Canada to increase financial resources to effectively implement the Aquatic Invasive Species Legislation to prevent the spread of Zebra Mussels through public awareness, an expanded government prevention program, increased enforcement, and coordination between government departments and agencies.

AMM Resolution #15-2020

Monetising Resiliency

Sponsor(s)

Springfield, RM (Eastern)

Department(s)

Manitoba Conservation and
Climate

WHEREAS the retention of woodlots, pasture land and natural vegetation benefits watersheds, habitat and wildlife by increasing resiliency by assisting drought proofing and retention, improves soil and water health in Manitoba's working landscapes by reducing phosphorus and Nitrogen, and have measurable effect on reducing greenhouse gases, and deliver a broad range of ecological goods and services outcomes to Manitobans; and

WHEREAS the maintaining of wetlands and the development of retention areas increases resiliency by enhancing drought proofing, improves soil and water health in Manitoba's working landscapes by reducing Phosphorus and Nitrogen runoff, and deliver a broad range of ecological goods and services outcomes to Manitobans; and

WHEREAS Manitoba has a program (GROW) that encourages retention and creation of such ecologically-beneficial resources; and

WHEREAS the maintaining of such ecological assets can be demonstrated to have a monetary benefit to the province, whether through maintaining or increasing tourism and resident use of major lakes by reducing algae blooms, or the sequestering of carbon and the sale of carbon credits internationally, or the reduction of emergency or disaster funding;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to develop a program in concert with GROW and/or other applicable organizations or agencies, to monetize efforts to reduce atmospheric carbon and provincial cost-benefits of increasing resiliency to fund initiatives by individuals and municipalities to establish and maintain such ecological resource areas.

AMM Resolution #16-2020

Subsidize Waste Management Facilities

Sponsor(s)

Reynolds, RM (Eastern)

Department(s)

Manitoba Conservation and
Climate

WHEREAS new provincial regulations related to cell construction for Waste Management Facilities require a substantial increase to the capital cost from previous years; and

WHEREAS municipalities will be required to institute increased security and anti-dumping policies well over-and-above current standards; and

WHEREAS the increase in costs required to operate and maintain Waste Management Facilities in Manitoba represents an undue financial hardship to all municipalities with facilities;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to review these new requirements and subsidize the Waste Management Facilities to ensure it is feasible for municipalities to cover the new inflated operating costs.

AMM Resolution #17-2020

Snow Removal Agreements

Sponsor(s)

Dauphin, City (Parkland)

Department(s)

Manitoba Infrastructure

WHEREAS Manitoba Infrastructure (MI) is responsible for maintaining provincial roads and highways within municipal boundaries; and

WHEREAS municipalities previously maintained the provincial roads and highways and billed MI for their services according to the municipalities standard billing rates; and

WHEREAS MI has not required municipalities to enter into agreements for the municipalities to provide snow removal maintenance based on predetermined lump sump payment; and

WHEREAS the funds proposed by MI are significantly lower than actual costs incurred by municipalities and maintenance by municipalities is not possible without serious financial hardship to ratepayers and municipalities;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to review snow removal agreements with municipalities that maintain provincial highways and roads and negotiate fair and sufficient payment for municipal services.

AMM Resolution #18-2020

Seniors Housing

Sponsor(s)

Springfield, RM (Eastern)

Department(s)

Manitoba Health, Seniors and
Active Living

WHEREAS access and provision of health care services throughout the Province of Manitoba are a primary responsibility of the provincial government; and

WHEREAS all services from beginning of life to end of life are critical to a health care system that is compassionate and respectful; and

WHEREAS the provision of assisted and supportive living opportunities, particularly in rural communities, is a vital component of health care provision for seniors; and

WHEREAS assisted and supportive living opportunities in rural communities are also key components of sustainable communities; and

WHEREAS demand for assisted and supportive living opportunities is increasing and require a greater level of support and recognition by Manitoba Health;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to change the current funding arrangements so assisted and supportive living opportunities are given greater priority and greater resources through regional health authorities.

AMM Resolution #19-2020

E-Health

Sponsor(s)

Russell-Binscarth, Municipality
(Midwestern)

Department(s)

Manitoba Health, Seniors, and
Active Living

WHEREAS people are assuming more responsibility in being their own advocate ensuring their personal health history as well as vaccinations are kept up to date; and

WHEREAS other provinces have moved towards individuals being able to access their own E-Health Records – Medicare info is available to them online at all times;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to expedite the implementation of a similar program available to Manitoba Residents allowing them equal opportunity there by potentially reducing the strain on out physicians and healthcare facilities.

AMM Resolution #20-2020

Rail Crossings

Sponsor(s)

Russell-Binscarth, Municipality
(Midwestern)

Department(s)

Transport Canada
Manitoba Infrastructure

WHEREAS all federal railways (CP/CN) have informed landowners with approaches and crossings to their field they will now have to maintain these crossings at their own expense; and

WHEREAS all federal Railways (CP/CN) will upgrade the crossings but the costs are to be passed onto the landowner; and

WHEREAS in addition to this costs there will be an annual “crossing fee” for each crossings (fees can be adjusted at any time) as well the landowner is required to purchase a five (5) million dollar general insurance AND a two (2) million dollar automobile insurance package strictly for the crossings; and

WHEREAS if the landowner refuses to sign the contract with the federal railway (CP/CN) all crossings on their property will be removed;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to review this with the Government of Canada and acknowledge this is a Canada-wide issue that needs to be amended to ensure it is financially and operational/attainable for all landowners and municipalities.

AMM Resolution #21-2020

School Tax Deferral

Sponsor(s)

Russell-Binscarth, Municipality
(Midwestern)

Department(s)

Manitoba Finance
Manitoba Education

WHEREAS the government has placed a six-month moratorium on the payment of interest and penalties on all school tax levies; and

WHEREAS municipalities are liable to pay all school tax levies;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to provide an option so that the municipalities do not have to pay any school tax levies until the payment of the total amount owed has been received from the property owner.

AMM Resolution #22-2020

Solar Incentive Program

Sponsor(s)

Norfolk Treherne, Municipality
(Central)

Department(s)

Manitoba Crown Services
Efficiency Manitoba
Manitoba Hydro

WHEREAS the cost of energy affects all Manitobans; and

WHEREAS Manitoba Hydro offered a Solar Incentive Program, which ended in 2018, that paid \$0.07649 per KwHR for excess energy exported to the grid; and

WHEREAS over 155- entities in all parts of Manitoba participated in the Solar Incentive Program with a payback commonly of less than 10 years; and

WHEREAS Manitoba Hydro now pay \$0.02949 for excess energy exported to the grid from self-generated electricity installations; and

WHEREAS this price paid on exported energy makes it uneconomic for a Manitoba entity to own their own self-generated electricity installation;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to develop additional economical energy efficiency programs, including but not limited to solar or wind, to benefit local communities and foster growth of businesses in municipalities.

AMM Resolution #23-2020

Level 3 Electric Vehicle Charging Stations

Sponsor(s)

Thompson, City (Northern)

Department(s)

Manitoba Crown Services
Efficiency Manitoba
Manitoba Hydro

WHEREAS the Province of Manitoba is home to some of the most abundant, reliable, low-cost hydroelectric resources in Canada; and

WHEREAS the electrical vehicle market represents the fastest growing market globally; and

WHEREAS the Province's 2017 Made-In-Manitoba Climate and Green Plan report identifies electrification of the transportation network as one of Manitoba's greatest opportunities for reducing emissions of greenhouse gases, which would represented one of the fastest methods of reaching the greenhouse gas reduction goals of the Made-In-Manitoba Climate and green plan; and

WHEREAS the major minerals used for electrical vehicle battery and associated technologies are produced in great quantity by the mining industry in Manitoba, and the growth of electrical vehicle infrastructure in Manitoba would support the attraction of high technology industries, and new mining operations, positioning Manitoba to further develop its natural mineral resources, which supports the overall growth of the Provincial economy; and

WHEREAS the growth of electrical vehicle adoption and use market in Manitoba would support the financial stability, and long-term sustainability of Manitoba hydro, offsetting projected losses and reducing the need for major hydroelectric rate increases; and

WHEREAS the Manitoba electrical Vehicle Association has demonstrated that the installation of a minimum of 22 new level 3 quick charge stations at strategic locations throughout the Province will ensure greater than 90% of Manitobans will have easy access to level 3 electrical vehicle charging infrastructure;

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to support and expand the Provincial network of level 3 quick charge Electric Vehicle charging stations, through the use of both public infrastructure, and public-private partnerships along all of the major provincial travel corridors; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to direct Manitoba Hydro to support public and private efforts to expand the vehicle electrification network for personal, commercial, agricultural and industrial vehicles throughout the Province.

AMM Resolution #24-2020

The Heritage Resources Act

Sponsor(s)

Ste. Anne, RM (Eastern)

Department(s)

Manitoba Sport, Culture and Heritage

WHEREAS *The Heritage Resources Act* provides for the designation of municipal heritage sites by by-law; and

WHEREAS *The Heritage Resources Act* was proclaimed in 1986 with the last revisions taking effect in 2003 and the procedures and requirements of a municipality to designate a Heritage Site within their boundaries are arduous and excessive in relation to other requirement under similar Acts such as *The Planning Act*, these requirements which cost municipalities unreasonable time and funds in order to meet the same; and

WHEREAS the Province of Manitoba has made efforts over the past number of years to reduce red tape and make applications processes more streamlined for both municipalities and applicants alike;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to review and update *The Heritage Resources Act* in order to increase consistency with the requirements of other acts and simplify the processes required under this Act.

AMM Resolution #25-2020

Weed Control

Sponsor(s)

Grassland, Municipality (Western)

Department(s)

Manitoba Infrastructure

WHEREAS Manitoba Infrastructure introduced changes in 2019 to the programs affecting weed control practices on provincial road right-of-way; and

WHEREAS such changes brought about the virtual collapse of those programs; and

WHEREAS officials from the Association of Manitoba Municipalities, the Manitoba Weed Supervisors Association and mid-level officials from Manitoba Infrastructure negotiated a workable solution to the ensuing chaos in June of 2020; and

WHEREAS that solution was acceptable to all parties involved; and

WHEREAS that solution has not to date been ratified by top level Manitoba Infrastructure officials;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM continue to lobby the Province of Manitoba to ratify the new highways weed control agreement expeditiously, as negotiated and without substantive revisions.

AMM Resolution #26-2020

Policing Service Agreement – SP

Sponsor(s)

Pembina, Municipality (Central)

Department(s)

Manitoba Justice

WHEREAS the Policing Service Agreement between the Province of Manitoba and Urban municipalities are antiquated and outdates; and

WHEREAS only urban municipalities over the population threshold of 750 were required to pay policing costs; and

WHEREAS the Town of Manitou and the RM of Pembina were mandated to amalgamate in 2015 and is now a municipality combined of urban and rural that is still requiring to pay policing cost on the urban portion; and

WHEREAS cost of policing should be based on a per capita basis and every municipality in Manitoba without local policing should pay for policing services;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMM lobby the Province of Manitoba to modernize the Policing Service Agreement with the municipalities in Manitoba and share the cost with all municipalities in the province.

*** Standing Policy Note: This resolution is consistent with AMM policy and will not be brought forward to the Convention floor unless requested by delegates.**

AMM 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.

AMM 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.



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