



## **ASSOCIATION OF MANITOBA MUNICIPALITIES**

The following are the minutes of the **2021 Western District Meeting** of the Association of Manitoba Municipalities, which took place virtually via **Zoom** on Thursday, June 17, 2021.

**10:00 a.m. Meeting called to order**

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### **MINUTES OF 2021 WESTERN DISTRICT MEETING**

***BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the minutes of the 2021 Western District Meeting be adopted***

- Moved by Mayor Stuart Olmstead, Town of Carberry
- Seconded by Councillor Scott Phillips, RM of Sifton

**CARRIED**

### **RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE**

- Reeve Ruth Mealy, Municipality of Grassland was announced Resolutions Committee Representative for Western District

#### **Welcome Remarks**

AMM President Kam Blight  
Director Stuart Olmstead, Mayor – Town of Carberry  
Director Rhonda Coupland, Councillor – Municipality of Boissevain-Morton

#### **Provincial Address**

Minister Derek Johnson, Manitoba Municipal Relations

### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

- Executive Director Denys Volkov provided updates on Advocacy Efforts – Bill C-21, AMM COVID-19 Survey and AMM Insurance Program.

### **PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS**

President Kam Blight reported on the following issues:

- AMM Successes
- COVID-19 Municipal Support

### **VICE-PRESIDENTS' ADDRESS**

Vice-President Chris Ewen reported on the following issues:

- Modernizing Education Funding
- Education Property Tax Phase-Out

### **VICE-PRESIDENTS' ADDRESS**

Vice-President Brad Saluk reported on the following issue:

- Bill 37 - The Planning Amendment and City of Winnipeg Charter Amendment Act

### **RURAL MANITOBA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

- Joe Masi, Co-Chair of the Board - RMED, provided a short profile of RMED; introduced RMED CEO, Margot Cathcart
- Margot Cathcart, CEO - RMED, gave presentation regarding RMED updates

### **WESTERN FINANCIAL GROUP MUNICIPAL INSURANCE PROGRAM**

- Grant Ostir, President, and COO - Western Financial Group, provided an update on the municipal general insurance programs for property and casualty and employee health and dental benefits.

### **AMM TRADING COMPANY**

- Ainsley Murdock, Client Relations Manager - Association of Manitoba Municipalities, gave a presentation regarding AMM Trading Company and Canoe Procurement Group of Canada.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

- District Members Q&A
- 2021 Service Awards Presentation

#### **Future June District Meeting Host:**

- 2022 – Municipality of Grassland

### **ELECTION OF WESTERN DISTRICT DIRECTORS**

- Nominations closed on June 2, 2021, and 3 eligible candidates had accepted their nomination.
  1. Rhonda Coupland, Councillor, Municipality of Boissevain-Morton
  2. Stuart Olmstead, Mayor, Town of Carberry
  3. Tina Williams, Councillor, Town of Virden
- Candidate Speeches
- Test Ballot Run
- District Ballot Run
- Election Results

Total ppl voting: **57**  
 Total ballots spoiled: **0**

Total votes: **106**

Rhonda Coupland: **43**  
Stuart Olmstead: **37**  
Tina Williams: **26**

**Councillor Rhonda Coupland of the Municipality of Boissevain-Morton elected as Western District Director.**

**Mayor Stuart Olmstead of Town of Carberry elected as Western District Director.**

**MOTION TO DESTROY E-BALLOTS**

- Moved by Councillor Tracy Rimmer, Municipality of Glenboro-South Cypress
- Seconded by Councillor Donna Stewart, Municipality of Brenda-Waskada

**CARRIED**

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting is adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

- Moved by Councillor Donna Mitchell, RM of Elton
- Seconded by Councillor Mark Humphries, RM of Wallace-Woodworth

**CARRIED**