



News Bulletin

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Dear Subscriber,

We hope you enjoy this format of the AMM bi-weekly News Bulletin. A [printable version](#) of the bulletin is available on our website.

AMM meets with Finance Minister

On December 18, the AMM met with the Honourable *Greg Dewar*, Minister of Finance to present its [pre-budget submission](#) for 2015-2016.

The Minister confirmed that Manitoba's municipal road budget will be increased and funding for municipal bridges will be doubled, as announced in the 2014 Throne Speech.

The AMM stressed that the provincial government should not download more responsibilities or costs to municipalities in its upcoming budget, and asked the Minister to consider a full refund of the PST municipalities pay to the Province.

The AMM also pointed out the high costs of amalgamations, and that affected municipalities need help covering the costs of this

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provincial initiative.

Other issues discussed included the Community Places program; the need to fill planning and assessment services vacancies; compensation for the floods of 2011 and 2014; additional airport funding; and several other topics.



Board Vacancies

The AMM Board of Directors held its first meeting of 2015 on January 22. One of the items discussed was the process for filling vacancies on the Board. Currently, the Board of Directors has eight vacancies to be filled following last fall's municipal election.

After careful consideration, the Board determined that these vacancies will be filled at the normal election time during the June District Meetings this year. We will send out the process for June District elections in the coming months.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact:

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You're Invited

**to the 2015 Recreation Connections
Manitoba Provincial Conference**
February 25 - 27 Victoria Inn, Winnipeg
Early Bird Registration deadline: February 6

Attention Mayors, Reeves and Councillors . . . you are invited to the 2015 **Recreation Connections Manitoba Conference**. This year's conference theme is *Recreation Everywhere for Everyone*.

The conference promises to offer something for everyone with three (3) exciting keynote speakers and twenty-one (21) workshops to choose from. With more than 250 staff, volunteers and elected officials in attendance from across Manitoba, this year's conference will:

- Address emerging recreation and facility trends (*i.e. CO2 applications in recreation facilities, green spaces, active transportation, aquatic play spaces*)
- Explore issues facing the recreation sector (*i.e. working with hard to reach youth, power of play, equitable access*)
- Provide professional and personal development opportunities (*i.e. event planning, goal setting, living a*

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Municipal Map

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Policy

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Documents

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- positive life, overcoming obstacles)*
- Discover innovative programs and ideas (*i.e. after school success stories, functional fitness, art & creativity, physical literacy*)

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2015 Accommodation Law Conference

March 25 & 26, 2015 Hotel Fort Garry, Winnipeg

Presented by leading Manitoba labour lawyers, this valuable two-day conference will help HR Managers, Supervisors and Disability Officers from unionized workplaces stay on top of the latest legal developments in the duty to accommodate.

[More info](#)

Did you know

Who Manitoba's longest-serving Mayor or Reeve is? We do - it was *Frederick John Gould* who served as Reeve of the RM of Woodworth from 1918-1962 - 45 years!

Not only do we have the answer, we have the top ten! Thank you to *Dr. Gordon Goldsborough*, Webmaster and Journal Editor for the Manitoba Historical Society for compiling this interesting and informative list.

[View the top 10](#)

Farewell

The AMM sends condolences to the family of Theodore Frank (Ted) Tkachyk, who passed away on Jan 16.

Ted served his municipality as a councillor for 10 years. He also served on the local fire department for 42 years, 10 of those as chief.



Donations in memory of Ted may be made to The Carman Area Foundation, RM of Grey Endowment Fund, Box 160, Carman Manitoba, R0G 0J0.

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