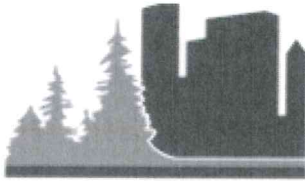


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AMM Meeting with Provincial Ministers



August 14, 2024 - AMM wishes to thank the Honourable Glen Simard - Minister of Sport, Culture, Heritage and Tourism, Honourable Nello Altomare - Minister of Education and Early Childhood Learning, and Honourable Malaya Marcelino - Minister of Labour and Immigration for meeting to discuss municipal priorities.

2024 MB Sport, Culture and Heritage and Tourism Position Paper
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Manitoba Government Invests in Dike and Dam Construction Projects

The Manitoba government is investing \$20.4 million to repair dikes and dams throughout Manitoba.

"We are taking action to protect families, communities and businesses by building dikes and dams that will help maintain water levels when flooding happens. Manitoba is no stranger to floods and we are building the infrastructure that will help lessen the damage while supporting our economy." - Transportation and Infrastructure Minister Lisa Naylor.

The funding will go toward construction projects that directly benefit residents and communities across Manitoba. Projects recently completed, currently underway or scheduled to start imminently include:

- rehabilitating the west dike on Provincial Trunk Highway 75 near St. Norbert;
- rehabilitating multiple dikes on the Assiniboine River between Portage la Prairie and Baie St. Paul;
- rehabilitating the Carman Dam;
- replacing the Wanipigow Dam 25-10E at English Brook; and
- rehabilitating the Cox Drain.

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Manitoba Government Launches Monitoring Program to Help Keep Communities Safe

The Manitoba government is launching an electronic monitoring program, allowing for 24-7 global positioning system (GPS) monitoring to supervise those involved in the criminal justice system who are released on bail.

"Whether it's a family whose garage has been broken into or a small business dealing with shoplifters, we know the impact crime is having in communities across our province. That's why we are taking action to bring back this important program that was cut by the previous government. When the courts decide to release an individual on bail, electronic monitoring is a tool that can be used to ensure they are following the conditions of their release and prevent the type of chronic, repeat offending that is so frustrating and damaging to public safety."
- Justice Minister Matt Wiebe

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Manitoba Safety and Security Summit for Local Businesses

Strengthening Manitoba's Safety & Security Together

Mark your calendars for ***Retail Secure Manitoba Summit***, a full-day community event hosted by Retail Council of Canada and supported by community partner groups.

This inaugural summit will bring together Manitoba's business community, government officials, police, prosecution, and community members to explore how we can collaborate to enhance safety and security for businesses across the province.

Premier Wab Kinew and Mayor Scott Gillingham will kick off the full agenda of dynamic speakers offering actionable insights on conflict de-escalation strategies, effective police, prosecution and community partnerships, environmental design to mitigate crime, and more. Attendees will have the opportunity to engage with senior leadership from each of the key stakeholder groups.

Don't miss your opportunity to come together with your fellow Manitoba business leaders to address the effects of crime and community safety on businesses throughout the province.

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Manitoba Disaster Management Conference 2024

The Manitoba Disaster Management Conference (MDMC) 2024 is being held from **October 16-18, 2024** at the **Canad Inns Destination Centre Polo Park in Winnipeg**. The purpose of MDMC 2024 is to further increase the level of emergency preparedness in Manitoba and promote the principles of disaster management planning and public awareness.

Manitoba Disaster Management Conference Website

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MEDIA ADVISORY

AMM Supports Call to End Rail Labour Dispute

Nisku, AB, Regina, SK, and Portage la Prairie, MB, August 20, 2024 – As a nationwide labour dispute looms between Canada’s two major freight railways and the union representing workers at each, the associations representing rural municipalities in Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba are extremely concerned about the impacts that a rail work stoppage would have on Prairie agricultural producers, consumers and other industries crucial to rural communities.

The Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA), Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities (SARM), and Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) are urging Steven MacKinnon, federal Minister of Labour, to order binding arbitration if the railways and union are unable to reach an agreement prior to Thursday, when labour disruptions would begin. Even a short-term work stoppage will have massive impacts on the agriculture sector, which already struggles to access rail cars to move harvests to market.

“Canada’s Labour Code allows the Minister to require binding arbitration for situations just like the one looming later this week,” explained Bill Huber, SARM acting President. “Both CN and CPKC

provide Prairie farmers with critical access to markets. Without trains running, the livelihoods of thousands of producers are at risk. If Minister MacKinnon does not act on requiring binding arbitration, he and his government must be willing to live with the economic and social consequences the decision will bring across the Prairies.”

The RMA, SARM and AMM represent rural municipalities in Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Manitoba respectively. Members of each association provide municipal guidance and services to municipalities that host the vast majority of western Canada’s agricultural production. Across the Prairie provinces, a strong, stable agriculture industry is directly linked to vibrant and sustainable rural communities. Access to rail is an essential aspect of industry and community strength, and it cannot be undermined by labour disputes, particularly when the Government of Canada has tools available to resolve the dispute fairly through binding arbitration.

“Across rural Alberta, producers of all sizes rely on access to rail to get their product to market. Even a short disruption in rail service may have a domino effect which could lead to long-term industry-wide impacts,” commented RMA President Paul McLauchlin. “From the perspective of Alberta’s rural municipalities, this is not simply a labour issue; it is an economic development issue, it is a community sustainability issue, it is even a food security issue. While I understand that the Minister wants to allow the railways and union as much time as possible to negotiate, not stepping in to protect rural livelihoods and communities will escalate this from a labour dispute into a situation that puts entire rural communities and industries at risk.”

Much of the grain produced in the Prairie provinces is exported internationally, meaning that without rail access to international ports there are simply no alternative markets available for producers. This creates significant issues locally through strain on grain-handling and storage facilities, as well as related to Canada’s international reputation as a stable and high-quality agricultural producer. If international customers are unable to trust the reliability and timeliness of Canada’s agriculture industry, they will begin to look elsewhere, which will create a ripple effect throughout the industry and rural communities.

“Agriculture is a sophisticated, complex, and internationally connected industry based on a complex worldwide supply chain. When one of the first ‘links’ in that chain is compromised, as would be the case if a rail work stoppage occurs, the impacts are widespread, in Manitoba,

Canada and across the world," explained AMM President Kam Blight. "We are very concerned that a work stoppage will not only place several municipalities at risk in the short-term but will create a significant reputational and logistical challenge that could harm local communities in Manitoba and across western Canada for years to come."

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About Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA)

The Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA) is a trusted and independent association representing Alberta's 69 counties and municipal districts. Since 1909, RMA has been committed to empowering rural municipalities with strong, effective local governance. Through dedicated advocacy and a suite of valued business services, including cooperative procurement and group benefits through the Canoe Procurement Group of Canada and comprehensive coverage through RMA Insurance, we strive to strengthen and support rural Alberta. Learn more about RMA and our impact at rmalberta.com.

About Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities (SARM)

SARM is the independent association representing rural municipalities in Saskatchewan, serving as the primary advocate for its members before senior governments. For more information visit sarm.ca.

About Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM)

The Association of Manitoba Municipalities supports its member municipalities through advocacy, programs, and services to achieve strong and effective municipal government – the order of government closest to the people.

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Governments of Canada and Manitoba renew the Canada Community-Building Fund agreement for ten years

“The Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) welcomes the signing of the renewed Canada Community-Building Fund (CCBF) agreement. This renewal underscores the importance of collaboration between all orders of government and reaffirms the role of municipal governments as essential partners. We commend the provincial government for working closely with our organization to ensure that this new agreement reflects municipal needs. The CCBF will enable municipalities to continue addressing critical local priorities, such as roads, bridges, and water and wastewater infrastructure, with the predictability and flexibility necessary to effectively support local communities. This essential infrastructure not only enhances quality of life but also lays the groundwork for building more housing, ensuring our communities can grow sustainably.” - Kam Blight, President of the Association of Manitoba Municipalities

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Accessible Employment Standard Regulation Review

Participate in the consultation of the Accessible Employment Standard Regulation

The Accessibility Advisory Council wants to hear from Manitobans about their experiences with the Accessible Employment Standard Regulation.

The review aims to determine if the standard has met its objectives to remove barriers to employment, and if not, how could it be improved. Lessons learned from this review can help strengthen the impact of the Accessible Employment Standard going forward.

Share your thoughts and get involved!

Public engagement is an important aspect of the review, and there are many ways for you to share your perspective.

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Municipalities on the Age Friendly Community Pathway - Community Collaboration Grant

The Manitoba Association of Senior Communities (MASC) is pleased to announce that Municipalities on the Age Friendly Community pathway, are now eligible to apply for a Community Collaboration Grant of up to **\$10,000**. Eligible projects will bring together the sponsoring municipality, three or more community organizations, and will impact two or more of the eight Age Friendly domains.

Application deadline is **October 31, 2024**. Application information has been distributed to eligible communities and for more information, contact MASC through **Connie Newman** at ccnewman@shaw.ca

Wawanesa Insurance Community Grant for Climate Change & Extreme Weather Resilience

Wawanesa Insurance is offering a **total of \$250,000** in funding to empower Canadian communities committed to becoming more resilient to the effects of climate change and extreme weather.

The Wawanesa Climate Champions: Local Grants is an initiative aimed to support municipalities and organizations with climate mitigation or adaptation projects that improve climate resiliency in local communities across Canada. Municipalities can apply for a grant for **up to \$25,000** to support their project.

The grant application closes **September 5th**.

If you have any questions, email communityimpact@wawanesa.com

A Night with STARS Gala

Join STARS at the Royal Aviation Museum of Western Canada on September 19, 2024 to celebrate STARS and raise vital funds for their critical operations.

The Gala will be a delightful evening featuring a silent auction, raffle, signature cocktails, delicious food, networking, and entertainment by Canadian Country Music group, Petric. All funds raised contribute directly to STARS mission of providing critical care, anywhere.

When:

September 19, 2024

6:30PM Welcome Reception

7:00PM Dinner & Program

Where:

Royal Aviation Museum of Western Canada

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PEAK PERFORMANCE Conquering Team Dysfunction

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In partnership with People First HR Services, AMM is offering this workshop, that is tailored to the work and operation of municipalities, to support ALL MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS on the 'people side' of municipal operation.

Join Lisa Anderson, Director of Strategic HR Consulting from People First HR Services as she builds on from the 'Exploring Team Dysfunction' breakout session at the 2024 Spring Convention and takes team performance and collaboration to a new level.

Structured around Patrick Lencioni's 'The Five Dysfunctions of a Team', this full-day session will explore the common pitfalls that hinder effective teamwork and provide strategies to build trust among team members, look at healthy conflict management, study what it means to commit to common goals, understand how to hold each other accountable and how to communicate more effectively.

Participants will learn:

- Trust as the Foundation of Effective Teams.
- The Role of Conflict in a Team.
- Fostering Commitment in the Team.
- 'Team One' Concept: Accountability to each other.
- The Need to Focus on Results.
- Perspective: Understanding Styles and Communication.
- Moving Forward as a Stronger Team.

Date: Thursday, September 19, 2024

Time: 9:00 am to 3:30 pm

Location: Canad Inns Destination Centre, Portage la Prairie
Fee: \$155.00 plus GST per person

REGISTRATION OPEN 9:00 AM, SEPTEMBER 16, 2024.

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Registration transfers will be accommodated. Cancellations will not be accepted.

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President Kam Blight not seeking re-election

September 6, 2024 – Kam Blight has announced that he will not seek re-election as President of the Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM).

President Blight has expressed his gratitude for the opportunity to serve the AMM and all Manitoba municipalities. “I am incredibly honoured to have worked alongside municipal leaders across Manitoba and Canada as well as our dedicated staff committed to the advancement of municipal interests in Manitoba. I am confident that the AMM is well-positioned for future success, and the next president will continue to grow our association,” noted Blight.

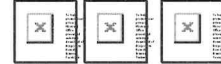
“Throughout his tenure, President Blight has been a champion for all local governments while playing a significant role in bringing priorities forward to provincial and national tables. Priorities such as municipal funding with an annual escalator, increased investment in water and wastewater infrastructure, public safety, and healthcare closer to home for all Manitobans have all been advanced by President Blight,” stated AMM Executive Director Denys Volkov.

Elections for the AMM Executive Committee will be held on November 27, 2024, at the **Fall Convention** in Winnipeg. Further details can be found on the **2024 Executive Committee elections webpage**.

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September 6, 2024 - The Association of Manitoba Municipalities' (AMM) success as an organization is rooted in committed leadership, the resourcefulness of its members, and collaboration with innovative partnerships of stakeholders including provincial and federal governments and private sector entities.

On behalf of the AMM Board of Directors I wish to extend an invitation to all mayors, reeves, councillors, senior administrators, and municipal staff to come together and attend the 26th Annual AMM Fall Convention, taking place November 25 to 27, 2024 at the RBC Convention Centre Winnipeg.

Collaboration is Key is this year's theme and it will be reflected in a program rich with enlightening presentations on the most current municipal topics, debate and voting on this year's slate of resolutions, guest speakers, and the 2024 Executive Committee Elections will round out the agenda.

This year's AMM Trade Show will be an event in itself! Dedicated time in the Trade Show starts with a Welcome Reception on November 25 where you can find your way through the maze of exhibits and meet the key people who can supply all things essential to municipalities. The day ends in the Trade Show too with the ultimate networking event, the Icebreaker Evening! There's no better place to reconnect with your municipal colleagues from every inch of Manitoba, make connections and contracts with suppliers and have some fun!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR YOUR ATTENTION:

**Convention registration and Gala Ticket orders will be available online beginning September 10 at 10:00 am. The Convention registration fee is \$450 plus GST per delegate which includes entrance for that delegate to the Icebreaker Evening. Passes to the Icebreaker, for the guest of a registered delegate, are available at \$50 plus GST each. Tickets to the Gala Evening can be ordered at \$78 plus GST each. Online registration/ticket sales will end on November 8 at 8:00 am. Registration details will be sent out just prior to registration being available, including tips on the registration process.

**The Convention program will begin at 10:30 am on November 25 with a special 1-hour professional development session and will close following the last scheduled agenda item on November 27.

**The Gala Evening will take place on November 26 and will include remarks from special guests, presentation of the Honorary Life Membership and we are excited to bring you The Debaters as this year's entertainment.

I encourage you to visit the [Convention webpage](#) to view a high-level agenda and check back regularly for the most current information on the three-day program and watch for email messages from AMM Events and the AMM News Bulletins regarding registration and agenda updates.

If you have any questions regarding the 2024 AMM Fall Convention, please contact Donna Belbin, Events Coordinator, at dbelbin@amm.mb.ca or Linda Hargest, Director of Administration at lhargest@amm.mb.ca.

We look forward to uniting with you for this highly anticipated event as we celebrate the continued successes of YOUR organization.

Sincerely,
Denys Volkov
Executive Director

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AMM Western Director's Update

Councillor Rhonda Coupland
Councillor Scott Phillips

As your AMM Board Directors, we are pleased to provide an update on the issues we discussed at the last Board meeting that was held on **August 28, 2024**.

While the AMM Board maintains the policy of confidentiality regarding ongoing discussions with the provincial government and stakeholders, we are pleased to share some of the topics with you.

If you should have any questions about any of the following items, please contact Nick Krawetz, AMM Director of Policy and Communications.

Bill 37 / Planning Legislation Review Update

Throughout the summer months, Braid Solutions Inc. has been holding focus group discussions to better understand municipal concerns regarding amendments to *The Planning Act and The City of Winnipeg Charter* (former Bill 37 and Bill 34). Please note, that as part of these discussions, all municipalities in the Province have been asked to provide data on development and planning approvals, including financial costs and administrative burdens, to assess the impacts since the legislation was introduced. As the deadline has been extended, we encourage you to complete the survey to capture accurate data on resources and cost impacts of the legislation.

In the coming weeks, the AMM will provide a formal submission. In the meantime, if you would like to reference our language in your own submissions, please see the following information below:

- [2024 News Release: Local Elected Leaders Should Have Final Say Over Developments in Local Communities](#)
- [Speaking Notes: Bill 33: The Municipal Assessment Amendment and Municipal Board Amendment Act](#)
- [2022 Submission: Bill 34: The City of Winnipeg Charter Amendment and Planning Amendment Act](#)
- [2021 News Release: Bill 37 Clears Standing Committee with Amendments, Municipal Concerns Remain](#)
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- [2020 News Release: Bill 37: Much Improved, Although Significant Risks Remain](#)

Medical First Responders Update

Back in April, the Department of Health, Seniors and Long-Term Care proposed changes to the Medical First Response model in Manitoba. For nearly four years, our organization and municipalities have raised concerns about public safety risks and emergency response impacts resulting from the framework established by the College of Paramedics of Manitoba (CPMB) on December 1, 2020. We thank the Province for proposing regulatory amendments to address these concerns and allow communities to operate Community-Based First Response programs.

The public consultation closed on May 25, 2024, and the Department is currently reviewing the feedback as they move forward with launching the new MFR system. We anticipate an announcement in the fall and will keep you informed as updates become available.

Proposed Amendments to Power Engineers Regulation

The AMM and municipalities have voiced concerns about the challenges recreation complexes face in recruiting and retaining sufficient certified staff to keep arenas open due to power engineering certification requirements. Therefore, we welcome and support the proposed amendments, particularly the introduction of a tiered certification system for refrigeration plant operators. This approach ensures that certification requirements are more closely aligned with the responsibilities and expertise required for different types of refrigeration facilities, while still upholding the highest level of safety for all occupants.

Please note that the Department of Labour and Immigration is seeking your feedback on proposed amendments to *The Power Engineers Regulation*. We encourage you to review the proposed amendments and submit your feedback through the consultation portal by **September 22, 2024**.

For more details, please refer to our attached submission, and feel free to incorporate these comments into your own response.

[AMM Submission HERE](#)

For more details, please refer to the [attached letter](#), which includes links to the [Regulation Information Form](#) and the [Power Engineers Regulation](#) on the [Manitoba Regulatory Consultation Portal](#).

Accessible Employment Standard Regulation – Engagement Opportunity

On July 15, the Manitoba government launched an engagement session on EngageMB, as each standard under *The Accessibility for Manitobans Act* must be reviewed every five years to ensure they continue to meet the needs of all Manitobans. The AMM has consistently advocated for increased funding to support the implementation of these standards and for the Department to provide the necessary tools and resources to facilitate a smooth transition to compliance. The engagement session is open until **November 1**, and we encourage you to share your insights on how this standard affects municipal operations and staff time.

To participate, visit <https://engagemb.ca/accessible-employment>.

Executive Committee Elections

The AMM Fall Convention will take place in Winnipeg from November 25-27, 2024. There will be elections at this year's convention for the AMM Executive Committee, consisting of the President and two Vice-Presidents.

Nominations for candidates for a position on the Executive Committee must be submitted in writing, accompanied by a supporting Council resolution, to the Executive Director of the AMM. Please submit these by **November 4, 2024**, which is 21 days before the opening day of the AMM Fall Convention, at:

1910 Saskatchewan Avenue W
Portage la Prairie, MB R1N 0P1
Attention: Denys Volkov, Executive Director
dvolkov@amm.mb.ca

To visit the 2024 Executive Committee elections webpage, please click [HERE](#).

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AMM and MMA members are encouraged to contact AMM staff if they have questions or concerns regarding any municipal policy issue. Please contact Nick Krawetz, AMM Director of Policy and Communications, at **204-856-2371** or nkrawetz@amm.mb.ca.



2024 AMM Fall Convention

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AMM Events is pleased to announce that
REGISTRATION is NOW OPEN
for the AMM 26th Annual Fall Convention!

September 10, 2024 - We want to ensure that your 2024 AMM Fall Convention registration experience is effortless, and we offer these tips for the process.

There is plenty of time for each of your members of council to plan their attendance as online registration will be available until Friday, November 8 at 8:00 am.

This year's registration form is one per delegate not, municipality.

Please have someone from your municipality's administration register each attending delegate. Ensure to use the email address that you wish the confirmation to be sent to.

Registrations are transferable within your municipality, or can be cancelled up until the aforementioned date/time. **Cancellations will not be accepted after 8:00 am on November 8, 2024.**

The Convention registration fee is \$450 plus GST per delegate. A delegate's registration includes:

- Entry to the Trade Show on Nov 25 from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.
- The Pre-Conference Session Nov 25 from 10:30 am to 11:30 am.
- Entry to the Icebreaker Evening (in the Trade Show area!) on Nov 25 from 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm.

Available to order on each registration:

- Icebreaker Guest Pass: \$50 plus GST each

Delegates must have their delegate badge to enter; their guest must have a wristband.

- Gala Ticket: \$78 plus GST each

Delegates must have their ticket to gain entry. General seating.

AMM will invoice your municipality for each registered delegate following the event.

Visit the [Convention webpage](#) to view a high-level agenda and check back regularly for the most current information on the three-day program and watch for email messages from AMM Events and the AMM News Bulletins regarding registration and agenda updates.

If you have any questions regarding the 2024 AMM Fall Convention, please contact Donna Belbin, Events Coordinator, at dbelbin@amm.mb.ca or Linda Hargest, Director of Administration and Marketing at lhargest@amm.mb.ca.

Member Advisory - REMINDER #3: Nomination Information: Executive Committee Election

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MEMBER ADVISORY

Nomination Information: Executive Committee Election

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Executive Committee Nominations:

Municipalities can nominate a municipal official for the President position, Vice-President position, or both, but the official can only accept nomination for and be elected to one position. Nominations for positions on the Executive Committee must be by resolution of Council. Each nomination must be supported by a separate resolution.

Only elected officials of member municipalities are eligible to be President or Vice-President of the AMM Executive Committee.

Nominations for candidates for a position on the Executive Committee must be submitted in writing, accompanied by a supporting Council resolution, to the Executive Director of the AMM. Please submit these by **November 4, 2024**, which is **21 days before** the opening day of the AMM Fall Convention, at:

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Attention: Denys Volkov, Executive Director
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No nomination for an Executive Committee position is effective unless the nominee accepts the nomination by giving written notice to the Executive Director **no later than 14 days** before the opening day of the AMM Fall Convention. For this year's elections, accepted nominations must be received by the Executive Director by no later than **November 12, 2024**.

Any member of the AMM Board of Directors who accepts a nomination for an Executive Committee position vacates their position on the Board effective as of the date the member accepts the nomination.

**** Please note that the AMM Board of Directors made changes to Article 5, Section 2 of By-Law 1998. These changes were approved by members at the AMM Fall Convention in November 2023 and include the following:*

- *THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT nominations for the positions of President and Vice-President shall be made by notice in writing by a Regular Member to the Executive Director no later than **21 days before** the opening day of the AMM Fall Convention. The nomination is ineffective unless accepted by the nominee by notice in writing to the Executive Director no later **than 14 days** before the opening day of the AMM Fall Convention. Nominees can only accept nomination for one position, that is, for the position of President or for Vice-President position, not both.*

These changes will enable all candidates to determine the level of resources they wish to allocate to their campaigns.

Executive Committee election:

President: A candidate for President must receive 50% plus 1 of the total number of votes cast to be elected as President.

Vice-Presidents: The 2 candidates for Vice-President who receive the highest number of votes are elected as Vice-Presidents. There will be a further ballot at the Convention if there is a tie, involving only the tied candidates.

We encourage all municipal officials to attend this year's Fall Convention.

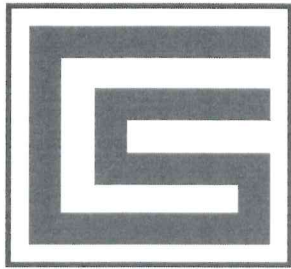
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Do not hesitate to call:

- Harry Giesbrecht @ 204-797-4797
- Lorna Zimmerman @ 204-724-0053

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Sincerely,

Lorna Zimmerman

Great things can happen when organizations come together!

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*Check out the positive impact that was made by one of our first round
Community Collaboration Grant Recipients!*

The Town of Carberry and Municipality of North Cypress-Langford were pleased to receive a \$10,000 Age Friendly grant to enhance our local Drop-In Centre, which serves as a central hub for our senior community. This grant was a crucial step in our effort to ensure a comfortable and welcoming environment for our aging residents.

In late spring, we installed five ductless split heating and cooling units at the Drop-In Centre. The total cost of this project was \$17,312.45. Beyond the \$10,000 grant, we leveraged milestone achievement funds from both the Town of Carberry and the Municipality of North Cypress-Langford to cover the remaining expenses, with the balance funded by both councils.

The new air conditioning units have already made a significant difference, creating a more comfortable space for our seniors and the volunteers who provide weekly lunches. Previously, the high heat in the building made it an uncomfortable place to work and gather. With these energy-efficient units, we expect notable savings on our hydro bill and can continue to offer programming in a space that is both familiar and comfortable for our senior community.

**Great things can happen when organizations come together to
make their communities a better place to live!**

Bill 37 Data Request Follow-Up – August 30, 2024

+WPG139 - MR Community Planning and Development <MRCPD@gov.mb.ca>

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Cc:2024statutoryreview@deloitte.ca <2024statutoryreview@deloitte.ca>

Sent on behalf of Community Planning and Development

Good Afternoon,

The purpose of this email to provide an update on the number of Statutory Review of Planning and Development Legislation – Data Requests that have been completed as of Thursday August 29th at 5:30 PM CST:

- Data Requests **Completed 22** (16% of municipalities)
- Data Requests **Underway 55** (47% of municipalities who have not completed the request)

This represents significant progress since the last update.

Manitoba would also like to bring attention the revised direction to the data request that was released last Friday August 23rd. The deadline to submit the data request has been extended and guidance on planning and development records has been introduced:

- **Timeline Extension:** the deadline to submit the Statutory Review of Planning and Development Legislation – Data Request is at **4:00 PM CST on Friday September 20th**.
- **Records Prioritization:** continue to prioritize records relating to (a) **Zoning-By Law Amendments** (e.g., Rezoning) and (b) **Subdivisions** (Standard and Minor) for the years of **2023, 2022, 2020, and 2019**. Participants are still encouraged to provide all data as originally requested if their resources permit.

Manitoba appreciates the efforts municipalities continue to allocate towards this request. The objective of this review is to identify ways of improving planning and development legislation and to incorporate your municipality's perspectives into any decisions made by the province on existing planning and development legislation. Your participation in this initiative is highly encouraged by Manitoba and the Project Review Team to ensure we are considering your municipality's perspectives into any recommendations made.

Please continue to leverage the Participant Guide that was released on Thursday August 1st, 2024, and contact the Project Review Team at 2024StatutoryReview@deloitte.ca should you have any questions. All emails will be responded to within approximately 24 – 48 hours.

Thank you,

Allison Bednarz

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FCM pinpoints Canadian Communities' Most Vital Needs for 2025

FCM is keenly aware that Canadians are struggling amid an affordability crisis and the cost of living.

That's why, for over a year, we have been making the case that by modernizing how Canada funds municipalities, we can give struggling families a boost in their quality of life, providing them with roads, infrastructure, parks, recreation facilities and essential local services they can rely on.

This urgent need was at the core of the official recommendations we presented two weeks ago to the Standing Committee on Finance (FINA) ahead of Budget 2025.

These recommendations are closely focused on tackling the key issues for Canadian communities, including housing and homelessness, infrastructure renewal and resiliency as well as public safety. These recommendations pinpoint where further federal action is needed to build stronger, better-resourced communities that can grow with scale and ambition.

» [READ THE RECOMMENDATIONS](#)

NEWS

Non-board members are invited to apply for FCM Board standing committees and forums

Non-board members are invited to apply for a limited number of positions to serve on select standing committees and forums that contribute to the work of the FCM Board. The FCM President makes committee appointments based on applicants' experience, expertise and interests, as well as the need to balance regional, community size and demographic representation on each committee.

The deadline to complete the survey is August 23, 2024.

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EVENTS

One-of-a-kind sustainability conference for Canadian municipalities

It's back! FCM is hosting the 2025 Sustainable Communities Conference on February 10-13 in Fredericton, NB—gathering hundreds of sustainability experts and municipal agents from across the country for a unique opportunity to connect and share climate solutions. With workshops, keynote sessions and training on diverse topics, you will walk away with new skills and ideas on how to tackle your community's most pressing sustainability challenges. Registration opens this fall.

» [LEARN MORE](#)

Webinar: Inclusive engagement for net zero acceleration projects

Join us for a lively discussion with top experts on August 22 at 2 p.m. ET to learn inclusive engagement practices for net zero projects. Discover actionable steps to integrate equity concerns, foster meaningful relationships and ensure equitable outcomes in your projects. Gain insights and practical examples to enhance your Green Municipal Fund applications and project development. Don't miss this opportunity to transform your community's approach to sustainable development.

» [REGISTER NOW](#)

Supporting your community building upgrades

Join our upcoming webinar on August 27 at 1 p.m. ET to learn about how the Green Municipal Fund can support your community building upgrades that aim to lower GHG emissions and save on maintenance costs.

Learn more about the Community Buildings Retrofit initiative and its free training, advisory service and resources.

» REGISTER NOW

RESOURCES

Discover funding sources to support your next affordable housing project

Building sustainable and affordable housing can be complex, particularly when it comes to financing. Many projects rely on external funding sources to implement energy-efficient retrofits or new builds. The Green Municipal Fund's Sustainable Affordable Housing initiative offers a funder list that's designed to streamline your search for financial sources at both provincial and national levels, and to serve as a strategic tool to simplify the decision-making process.

» EXPLORE OUR LIST OF FUNDERS

Transform your community buildings with GMF funding

Municipalities can find new ways to use old community buildings while conducting energy-efficient retrofits, such as by turning a former church into a library or adding a public gym to a community centre. This approach will lower the building's GHG emissions and maintenance costs, preserve buildings with value and history and support the local economy and people's quality of life with new services.

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The Canadian Tourism Data Collective: Industry Webinar Recording

Watch Destination Canada's recent industry webinar, celebrating the launch of the award-winning Canadian Tourism Data Collective.

This informative session dives into the platform's dynamic features and products, showcasing how it harnesses the power of



data, research, and insights to boost Canada's competitiveness and fuel economic growth through data-driven decision-making.

» [WATCH THE INDUSTRY WEBINAR HERE.](#)

SOCIAL MEDIA

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Aug 6: FCM's advocacy work has led to real wins for Canadians in the last year, empowering municipalities to build stronger communities of all sizes. We'll keep pushing for a new Municipal Growth Framework, so #CDNMuni can continue building a better quality of life for all Canadians. [Learn more](#)

Aug 9: On this World #IndigenousPeoplesDay, and every day, FCM is committed to doing our part to advance Reconciliation in Canada. In June, we released a new guide supporting #CDNMuni leaders in learning about UNDRIP and how it can be implemented in municipal settings. [Learn more.](#)

Jul 30: FCM is pushing for a new Municipal Growth Framework so #CDNMuni can continue building and delivering infrastructure and services that make a real difference to Canadians' quality of life every day. [More](#)



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Making Canada's Growth a Success

Local leaders know that the need for predictable and adequate funding for municipalities to tackle today's most pressing issues grows more urgent every day. That's why FCM is urging the federal government to bring together all orders of government to discuss and develop a Municipal Growth Framework: a new, more equitable way to fund local governments.

Our advocacy paper, Making Canada's Growth A Success, published in June, addresses the current fiscal context, highlights how this structure is limiting Canada's progress, and offers concrete recommendations for a renewed partnership between orders of government that would enable Canada's long-term growth.

» READ THE PAPER

EVENTS

Tomorrow's webinar: Helping you upgrade your community buildings

Don't miss tomorrow's event, *Find support for your community building retrofits*. Panelists will walk you through the Community Buildings Retrofit (CBR) initiative and how it can help you implement upgrades to your local facilities to lower their GHG emissions and maintenance costs.

Join us on August 27 at 1 p.m. ET to learn more about the CBR initiative and its free resources, workshops and advisory service.

» REGISTER NOW

Discover low-carbon energy solutions for municipalities

Take a free, online and self-paced course to help you plan for district energy systems and renewable energy generation systems. The *Tackling energy use in municipal and community buildings* e-learning series also has three other courses on different topics for you to explore.

When you're done, you can apply what you learned in projects that are eligible for support via GMF's Community Energy Systems funding offers.

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Connection request: pending

Are we connected on social media?

Come find daily updates on breaking news, municipal events, our key advocacy priorities, FCM programs, corporate updates and more. Join our digital network of local leaders and municipal stakeholders on LinkedIn, X (Twitter), Facebook and Instagram!

Urban trees: 7 key resources and up to \$10M in funding

Explore seven new factsheets that provide practical information on urban forestry and tree planting including step-by-step guidance you can follow to ensure healthy trees in your community:

- An urban forestry overview

- Urban forestry technology and tools
- Urban forest planning
- Tree planting process
- Tree stock selection
- Tree maintenance
- Site selection and preparation

If you are considering new tree planting activities, you could be eligible for up to \$10M in funding. Applications due October 15, 2024.

» [DISCOVER THE FUNDING TODAY](#)

Case study: How Winnipeg turns landfill gas into energy

Discover how the City of Winnipeg's Brady Road Resource Management Facility makes a difference! By capturing and using landfill gas, the facility turns waste into clean energy, cutting harmful emissions and supporting the City's green goals. This innovative approach not only helps fight climate change but also brings long-term benefits to municipalities. Learn how Winnipeg leads the way toward a cleaner, greener future for the community.

» [EXPLORE THE CASE STUDY](#)

Empower your community with affordable energy upgrades

In the Town of Bridgewater, NS, the Clean Energy Financing program is making a real difference in the lives of residents facing energy poverty. This Community Efficiency Financing-funded initiative is part of the town's mission to reduce energy poverty by 20% within five years and an impressive 62% within a decade. By providing accessible financing for energy upgrades, the program is empowering homeowners to improve the comfort, health and affordability of their homes. Unlock funding opportunities for your community's energy efficiency projects.

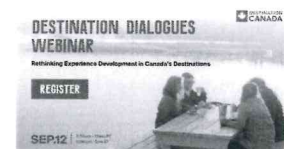
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Destination Dialogues Webinar: Rethinking Experience Development in Canada's Destinations

Destination Dialogues is a virtual event designed to inspire, inform and empower rural destination development professionals. Following the success of the 2023 event, Destination Canada proudly presents the second edition, with a free 90-minute webinar on September 12, 2024.

A report outlining key learnings from this session will be publicly



available on our Destination Development Knowledge Hub in October.

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SOCIAL MEDIA

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Aug 13: Homelessness is an acute issue in Canada that requires an all-hands-on-deck approach. FCM joins @ONBigCityMayors in calling for the provincial and federal governments to step up and work with municipalities to solve the homelessness and mental health crisis in Ontario cities. #SolveTheCrisis <http://solvethecrisis.ca>

Aug 19: #CDNMuni only get 8 to 10 cents for every tax dollar but are responsible for 60% of Canada's infrastructure. It simply isn't sustainable. FCM is calling for a new Municipal Growth Framework, so #CDNMuni can continue building a better quality of life for all Canadians.

Learn more:
<https://rb.gy/sc3rvd>

Aug 20: Canadians are facing an affordability crisis, and local leaders know that the need for predictable and adequate funding for #CDNMuni to tackle this and other pressing issues grows more urgent every day.

FCM will keep pushing for a new Municipal Growth Framework. That's the message FCM President @stewart_geoff brought to #AMO2024 in Ottawa today, and it's what we'll continue advocating for to the federal government this fall.



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Water breakages highlight the need for infrastructure investment

This summer, a series of high profile and highly disruptive water breakages have struck Canada's major cities and impacted millions of Canadian residents and businesses.

These breakages have highlighted the need for much needed infrastructure investment.

FCM has long championed improved investment in our water and wastewater systems. A major concern in urban and rural communities, these breakages are symptoms of stretching local government budgets struggling to maintain approximately 60 percent of our infrastructure and a municipal funding system that isn't fit for a modern, growing Canada.

In **media comments** this week, FCM President Geoff Steward called the issue of aging water infrastructure an urgent one, and advocated for a new **Municipal Growth Framework** to tackle the root causes of the issue.

FCM has highlighted the need for additional federal funding for water and wastewater in our recent **recommendations for Budget 2025**. We will continue to focus closely on this vital issue and call for the federal government to convene all orders of government to negotiate this urgently needed framework.

A Municipal Growth Framework is necessary to prevent a serious infrastructure gap.

» **FIND OUT WHY**

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FCM Voice: Infrastructure investment needed | EDI in municipal climate action | Case studies | and more

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September 3, 2024



Integrating EDI into municipal climate action

Are you looking to get started with incorporating equity, diversity and inclusion (EDI) into your municipality's climate planning? Check out the *Integrating Equity, Diversity and Inclusion into Municipal Climate Action* resource, produced by the Partners for Climate Protection program and delivered by FCM and ICLEI Canada. This introductory resource can help you learn the definitions of equity, diversity and inclusion, understand how EDI considerations fit into municipal climate action and overcome common challenges and concerns.

» **GET STARTED TODAY**

Assess the feasibility of local home-energy upgrade financing

Use the *Community Efficiency Financing market guide* as a starting point to assess the potential of implementing a local financing program for energy upgrade projects in your communities. Designed to assist Canadian municipalities and their partners, the guide will help you determine the size and characteristics of your housing stock, the expected level of program uptake and the potential environmental and socio-economic impacts.

» **EXPLORE THE GUIDE**

Municipal and Indigenous leaders collaborate in Georgian Bay

Coordinated by the Georgian Bay Mnídoo Gamii Biosphere, the Integrated Community Energy and Climate Action Plans (ICECAP) is a collaboration between municipalities and First Nations in the region that seeks cost-effective approaches to energy management and the reduction of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. Through this partnership in Georgian Bay, Ontario—a member of Partners for Climate Protection (PCP)—we see the value in having municipal and First Nations councils building relationships, sharing knowledge and working together toward their shared climate goals.

» **LEARN MORE**

Case study: Waterloo Region uses biogas to fuel wastewater facilities

Waterloo Region's wastewater plants now harness 100% of their biogas for heat and electricity thanks to new cogeneration facilities. This shift eliminates biogas flaring, annually saving \$1.5M and cutting 1,900 tons of tCO₂e. Over 20 years, the project expects \$16M in savings and 38,000 tCO₂e reductions. Winning the 2022 Award of Excellence, this initiative highlights the region's commitment to sustainability and efficient energy use.

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CMHA is Your Trusted Source for Technical Information

The Concrete Masonry & Hardscapes Association (CMHA) represents a unification of the Interlocking Concrete Pavement Institute (ICPI) and National Concrete Masonry Association (NCMA). CMHA is the authority for concrete pavers and segmental retaining walls, which are the best value and preferred choice for resilient pavement, structures, and living spaces. Check out our free technical resources.



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Aug 27: Better public transit. More affordable housing and communities. Improved green spaces and municipal services. A higher quality of life.

That's the future we could have with a new Municipal Growth Framework.

More about our push to help address our most pressing national challenges:
<https://t.co/KOYu1CHvmT>

Aug 29: Across the country, Canadians are struggling amid an affordability crisis and climbing cost of living.

By modernizing how #CDNMuni are funded, we have an opportunity to give families a boost in their quality of life with better municipal infrastructure and services. Learn how:
<https://t.co/KOYu1CHvmT>

Aug 30: Municipalities are tackling 21st century problems with 19th century tools.

That's why FCM is pushing for a new Municipal Growth Framework to help address our most pressing national challenges.

Learn more:
<https://t.co/flvUtTfLI9>



FCM Voice: GMF's 2023-24 Annual Report | Climate action funding and resources | and more

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Annual report: GMF looks back on its most impactful year yet

In 2023-24, FCM's Green Municipal Fund had its most impactful year yet. We secured more than \$820 million in new funding from the Government of Canada and we invested nearly \$200 million in innovative, scalable and replicable local projects that maximized their environmental, economic and social benefits, including addressing critical issues such as housing unaffordability and energy poverty.

We've supported Canadian communities in impactful climate actions that will contribute to Canada's 2030 Emissions Reduction Plan, and we're striving to provide local leaders across the country with the resources, knowledge, and capacity make a real difference in their communities.

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Continental Assessment of Biodiversity and Climate Change

Canada is participating in a continent-wide assessment of biodiversity and climate change, being led by the United States Geological Survey (USGS). The assessment will draw on diverse expertise to identify policy options and potential solutions to conserve biodiversity in the face of climate change.

There will be an opportunity for municipal leaders to take part in an external review of the draft report this fall. Leading up to the review period there will be two informational webinars:

- **Webinar focused on Indigenous Issues:** September 13, 1-3 p.m. (ET)
- **Informational webinar for the general public:** September 19, 2-4 p.m. (ET)

For more information visit the [USGS website](#) or write to anne.munier@ec.gc.ca.

RESOURCES

New database reveals the state of climate action in Canada municipalities

On the route to net-zero emissions, Canadian municipalities need to know where they stand today. The new database and report from the Municipal Net-Zero Action Research Partnership (N-ZAP) provide an important snapshot of the state of climate action in local governments across Canada. These survey findings can guide your decision-making as you set ambitious targets for the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions and continue to move forward on the route to net zero.

» [EXPLORE THE DATABASE](#)

Unlock funding opportunities for your community's energy efficiency projects

The City of Kingston's Better Homes Kingston program is a shining example of how GMF's Community Efficiency Financing (CEF) initiative is driving impactful change in energy efficiency. By incentivizing deep energy retrofits through tiered incentives and personalized energy coaching, the program is reducing greenhouse gas emissions and energy consumption—contributing to a more sustainable future. Discover how CEF is supporting municipalities in their efforts to create a greener, more resilient Canada.

» [LEARN MORE](#)

Case study: Urban density leads to sustainable communities

As a member of the Partners for Climate Protection (PCP) program, the District Municipality of Ucluelet, BC, is dedicated to reducing local greenhouse gas emissions and creating a healthy, dynamic community. To achieve its goals, reduce infrastructure costs and improve energy efficiency, the town is developing a proactive climate action plan that commits to 100 percent renewable energy by 2050 and an urban development strategy rooted in density and walkability.

» [READ THE CASE STUDY](#)

Sept 3: The current municipal funding system in Canada simply isn't fit for our growing communities – and the proof is in the pipes.

<https://t.co/5D30OmrBIM>

#CDNMuni are responsible for 60% of public infrastructure, like water and wastewater systems, while only receiving 8-10 cents per tax dollar collected in Canada.

The issue of aging water infrastructure is urgent, and is one of many issues that a modernized fiscal framework could help tackle. That's why local leaders are pushing for the #GoC to convene all orders of government to negotiate a new Municipal Growth Framework. #cdnpoli

Sept 4: The leaves are turning, the school bus and PSLs are back, and there's a crisp breeze in the air... Fall's around the corner!

As federal decision makers soon start returning to Ottawa, we'll be doubling down on our efforts to highlight the crucial need for a new Municipal Growth Framework – so #CDNMuni can properly fund essential services and ensure Canada's growth is a success story.

Modernized municipal funding can help unlock potential in Canada's communities, and help local leaders tackle today's most pressing issues like...
More.

Sept 6: The time for bold, visionary and impactful ideas has come.

That's why we're calling for a conversation with all orders of government to negotiate a new Municipal Growth Framework.

Learn more:
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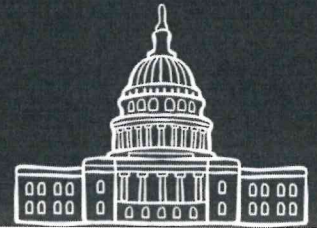
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Hon. Matt Wiebe
Minister of Justice and Attorney General
Room 104, 450 Broadway
Winnipeg, MB
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September 5th, 2024

Minister Wiebe,

I am writing to you today to request additional resources be allocated from your department to Blue Hills RCMP.

Over the summer, serious incidents of property crime have increased at an alarming rate in Westman, causing significant concern about the level of police presence within our communities. My constituency of Spruce Woods is predominantly policed by the Blue Hills RCMP, and these officers do excellent work in our communities, but they need further support from your government.

Following your unilateral decision earlier this year to disband the Rivers Police Service and add Riverdale Municipality to Blue Hills RCMP's area of jurisdiction, you have significantly increased the population and geographic area that Blue Hills RCMP cover, and yet you have added no new resources or positions to support this increased work load. In addition, the Blue Hills area has experienced significant population and economic growth in recent years, adding to the number of property crimes, traffic incidents and domestic calls for Blue Hills RCMP officers.

Your office has received correspondence from two municipal councils within Spruce Woods Constituency and the Blue Hills RCMP area requesting support to address these concerns, and I have no doubt that more will follow. I am adding my voice to urge that you and your government to take action and add new officer positions to the Blue Hills RCMP to ensure this region has the police presence and coverage that residents expect and deserve.

I look forward to your prompt intervention in this matter.

Regards,

Grant Jackson
MLA for Spruce Woods

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Joni Swidnicki

From: Kayla Thiessen <KThiessen@grantmatch.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 20, 2024 1:40 PM
To: Councillor.McGregor; Chelsea Long; Joni Swidnicki
Subject: RE: Municipality of Oakland-Wawanesa

Hello all,

Unfortunately, public works buildings are listed as ineligible under GICB.

Regardless, I would be happy to connect to discuss this project and I can look for some other funding opportunities. Joni and Chelsea, if you would like to suggest some times that work for you, we can set up a call to discuss.

Thank you,

KAYLA THIESSEN | SENIOR FUNDING ANALYST

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To: Kayla Thiessen <KThiessen@grantmatch.com>; Chelsea Long <pw@oakland-wawanesa.ca>; Joni Swidnicki <cao@oakland-wawanesa.ca>
Subject: Municipality of Oakland-Wawanesa

Hi Kayla. I wanted to introduce you to Joni Swidnicki our CAO and Chelsea Long our Public Works Manager.

They are interested in discussing the GICB program and whether a new Public Works shop would qualify under the program. Or if there are any other programs to consider.

I'll leave it to you to connect for a discussion.

Brett McGregor
Councillor, Municipality of Oakland-Wawanesa

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Norma Will

From: Eco-Ouest <info@eco-ouest.com>
Sent: Friday, July 26, 2024 2:08 PM
To: Norma Will
Subject: NEW! Community Buildings Funding & EV Chargers Opportunities

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Funding Bulletin #5

1. Government of Canada - Green and Inclusive Community Buildings

Third Intake

New

The Green and Inclusive Community Buildings (GICB) program is launching its third intake and will be accepting applications as follows:

Small and medium retrofits

Eligible applicants with small and medium-sized projects to retrofit existing

community buildings ranging in total eligible cost from \$100,000 to \$2,999,999 can apply from **August 1, 2024 until October 16, 2024, 15:00 ET.**

Large retrofits and new builds

Eligible applicants with large projects to retrofit existing community buildings or projects to build new community buildings with total eligible costs ranging from \$3 million to \$25 million can apply from **September 4, 2024 until October 16, 2024, 15:00 ET.**

[LEARN MORE](#)

2. Government of Canada: Zero Emission Vehicle Infrastructure Program

This funding opportunity will support:

- the deployment of EV chargers, including fast chargers, in public places across Canada such as highways and public lots.
- the deployment of EV chargers at private locations, including multi-unit residential buildings, workplaces and where on-road vehicle fleets are serviced.

Eligible applicants include:

- Electric utilities
- Companies
- Industry associations
- Indigenous businesses and community groups
- Strata or condo corporations
- Canadian provincial, territorial, regional or municipal governments or their departments or agencies where applicable

There are two streams with different requirements:

1. Public EV Charging - within 1.6 km of Transport Canada's National Highway System

2. Private EV Charging - for installation in existing building such as multi-unit residential

Maximum funding: \$5 million per project depending on the type of charger, covering up to 50% of Total Project Costs

Request for Proposal period: Now to September 19, 2024

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3. Manitoba Government - Electric Vehicle Rebate program

This funding opportunity provides \$25-million for the Manitoba Electric Vehicle Rebate program.

Who can apply:

- Manitoba residents, corporations, businesses, First Nations and municipalities are eligible.
- There is a limit of only one vehicle per purchaser during the duration of the program.
- The vehicle must remain in owner's name and be registered in Manitoba for a minimum of 12 months.
- Crown corporations, federal and provincial governments are not eligible.

Application period: for EVs purchased on or after Aug. 1, 2023, and will run until March 2026.

Funding Amount:

- \$4,000 incentive on new qualifying EV purchases
- \$2,500 incentive on used qualifying EV purchases

Eligible Vehicles:

- Both battery electric vehicles and plug-in hybrid electric vehicles are eligible for the incentive.
- Used EVs must be less than four years old and incentives for leased vehicles will be proportionate to the length of the lease, with a full incentive for a four-year lease.
- Manitobans who already bought an EV between Aug. 1, 2023, and July 1, 2024, can apply for the incentive on the Manitoba Public Insurance website.

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Eco-West Canada is here to help municipalities apply for funding.

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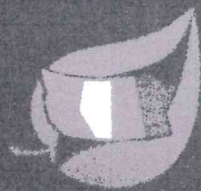
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Norma Will

From: Gordon Stenberg <directory@indigenouschambermb.ca>
Sent: Saturday, August 24, 2024 5:13 PM
Subject: Join Us for the Launching Success with Premier Wab Kinew Luncheon!

Dear Colleagues,

We are excited to invite you to a very special event: the **Launching Success with Premier Wab Kinew Luncheon**. Join us on **September 10 from 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM at the RBC Convention Centre** for an inspiring afternoon celebrating Indigenous Youth Entrepreneurs in Manitoba.

This luncheon is a unique opportunity to hear from Premier Wab Kinew as he addresses the importance of engaging Indigenous businesses in the broader Manitoba economy. We will also be launching the ICC Indigenous Business Directory, a significant step in supporting and connecting Indigenous businesses.

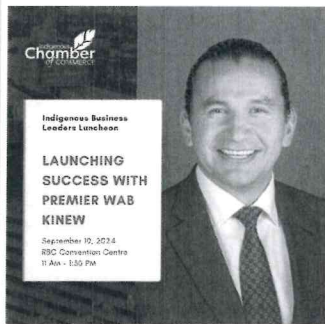
The event will feature a panel discussion with three outstanding Indigenous business owners, all under the age of 30. These young entrepreneurs will share their journeys, successes, challenges, and sources of inspiration. Their stories are sure to motivate and enlighten all who attend.

Don't miss this chance to support and learn from the vibrant Indigenous business community in Manitoba. Your presence will contribute to the success of these young entrepreneurs and the broader initiative to foster economic growth and inclusion.

Event Details:

- **Date:** September 10
- **Time:** 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM
- **Location:** RBC Convention Centre

Please [register](#) today to secure your spot at this important event.



[Launching Success with Premier Wab Kinew](#)

Join us on September 10 from 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM at the RBC Convention Centre for a special luncheon with Premier Wab Kinew, celebrating Indigenous Youth Entrepreneurs in Manitoba and launching the ICC Indigenous Business Directory. This event will feature a panel of three Indigenous business owners. For more information, visit business.indigenouschambermb.ca

Please share this announcement with your circle. We look forward to seeing you there!
Best regards,

Chi-miigwech,

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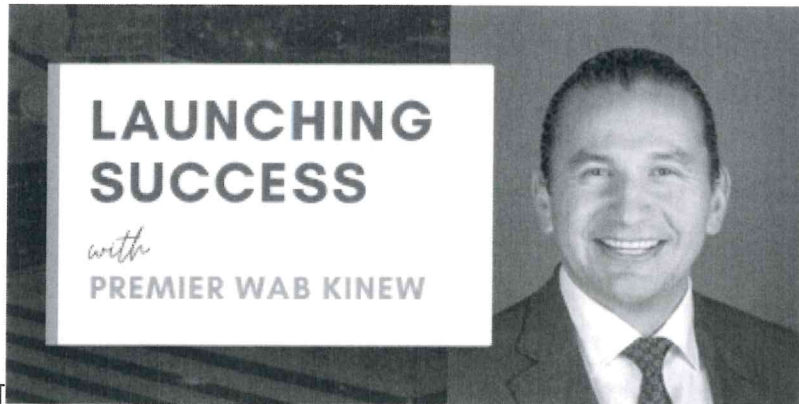
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The Lions Club of Wawanesa
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August 30, 2024

Municipality of Oakland-Wawanesa
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Dear Head of Council Dave and Council Members:

The planning committee for the Wawanesa Lions Children's Fair wishes to thank you very much for your contribution. This has been and will continue to be, a success with your support.

Thank you for being part of making memories for the children of our community and surrounding area.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Mike Fisher'. The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the word 'Sincerely,'.

Lion Mike Fisher
Email: beehappystockfarms@gmail.com
Cell: 204-721-0938



WAWANESA LIONS CHILDREN'S FAIR

certificate of
appreciation
presented to

R. M. of Oakland-Wawanesa

for supporting
the Children's Fair
held in

Wawanesa

on August 17, 2024

Ed Regiers
Lions Club President

Michael J. Davis
Fair Committee Chair





Manitoba Onsite Wastewater
Management Association

Who Are We?

The Onsite Wastewater Management of Manitoba (MOWMA) is a not-for-profit organization with a mandate to support its member authorized persons in providing safe and effective wastewater management for landowners. We do this by delivering in-class and field training opportunities for onsite practitioners, providing networking and learning opportunities for industry stakeholders, forging positive relationships with local and provincial regulators, and educating the public. MOWMA's operating budget is entirely funded through its programs and membership fees.

MOWMA is a provincial chapter of the Western Canada Onsite Wastewater Management Association (WCOWMA). WCOWMA is registered federally as a not-for-profit corporation.

➤ **What Services Do We Provide?**

- Advocacy for the onsite wastewater industry The Association communicates and works with the industry and regulatory authorities to help professionalize and improve service delivery to people in Manitoba who live in unsewered areas.

➤ **Onsite Wastewater Practitioner Training**

- Those working in the onsite wastewater industry in Manitoba are required to complete a training program recognized by Manitoba Environment and Climate. With the changes in technology and the basis of system design in soil science, training in this discipline is needed to meet the regulatory requirements. The training program offered by our organization has been formally recognized by the regulatory authority in Manitoba for over two decades.

➤ **Field Training**

- To improve the quality of installation in the Province, the Association hosts Site and Soil Evaluation Days and when available, System Installation Days. These opportunities to gain hands-on experience promote better installation practices and a higher level of understanding about how wastewater is treated in the soil profile.

➤ **Education Days**

- MOWMA provides annual education days to the onsite wastewater community, to bring environmental officers and contractors together to discuss industry concerns, new rules, regulations, and standards, review system design, and introduce new technologies.

➤ **Public Education**

- The Association's Septic Sense program provides homeowners with information on how to operate and maintain their onsite wastewater system to improve performance and longevity.

➤ **System Design Review**

- The Association provides system design review services for contractors who need help, information, or resources to ensure their designs meet the regulatory requirements. This service is also available for Environmental Officers with questions about a permit application that is under review.

➤ **Consulting and Resources**

- The Association is available to provide consulting services and resources to help promote and maintain the quality of onsite wastewater systems being designed and installed in Manitoba.

We are here for you; not for profit – contact us at info@mowma.org or toll free at 855-872-2659





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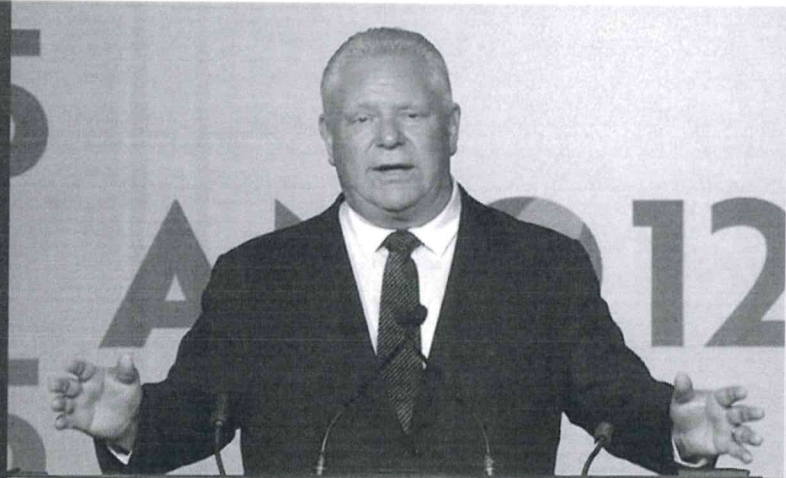
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Today's Top Story
**Local leaders,
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drive AMO 2024
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Ontario Premier Doug Ford, along with the other party leaders, addressed more than 2,500 delegates at AMO 2024 in Ottawa.



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More Stories



Rural municipalities in Western Canada are asking Ottawa to step in and help avoid work stoppages on Canada's two biggest railways. Freight trains across Canada could come to a grinding halt as soon as Thursday. [Read more...](#)



Manitoba Premier Wab Kinew said his NDP government will introduce a "freedom bill" this fall that will allow municipalities to opt out of the Winnipeg Metropolitan Region. [Read more...](#)



For the first time ever, the Victoria and Esquimalt Police Board is now chaired by someone who isn't a mayor. Micayla Hayes became the new chair of the board at their meeting on Tuesday. [Read more...](#)

Coun. Shila Sharps says council didn't disclose its attempts at mediation with Mayor Linnsie Clark because it would've contributed to the drama of the last several months. [Read more...](#)



It could take months just to assess the damages as Jasper looks at rebuilding, but planning for the arduous task is top of mind for the municipality. [Read more...](#)



A plan by the province to invest hundreds of millions of dollars in support hubs to combat homelessness and addictions validates the work London has been doing on the file, the city's mayor says. [Read more...](#)

The mayor of the Municipality of West Grey has been "formally reprimanded" by his fellow councillors for "threatening" comments made about the CEO of the South Bruce Grey Health Centre. [Read more...](#)



The portion of a Montreal water main pipe that broke last week was expected to last another decade, according to an analysis ordered by the city. [Read more...](#)



The Northwest Territories' premier, three cabinet ministers and Yellowknife's mayor have met to discuss how to handle a tent encampment that has moved between various sites in the city's downtown. [Read more...](#)

Featured Job Listings



Project Manager - Capital Projects – Norfolk County

Application Deadline: Sept. 3, 2024

Chief Planning Official – Township of Uxbridge

Application Deadline: Sept. 6, 2024

Manager, Wastewater Collection – City of Abbotsford

Application Deadline: Sept. 10, 2024

Division Manager, Geomatics – City of London

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Application Deadline: Sept. 15, 2024

Senior Development Planner – Waterloo Region

Application Deadline: Sept. 20, 2024

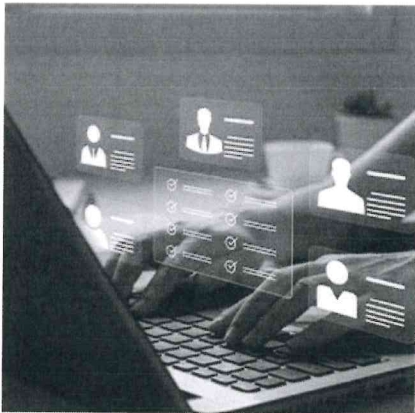
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Surrey to explore creation of city charter

Mayor Brenda Locke recently tabled a motion at council directing staff to prepare a report on how to proceed in the development of a Surrey Charter. City hall says the move aims to recognize Surrey’s rapid growth and unique needs.

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Career announcements are a powerful way to celebrate promotions and new hires. They highlight key staff and profile your organization within the municipal community. And they're free for Executive Members!

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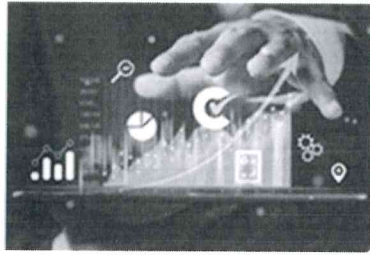
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Successful project delivery stems from ongoing collaboration

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Join this complimentary webinar, "Smart Asset Management for Local Governments: A Step-by-Step Guide," and discover how to optimize resources, reduce costs, and improve service delivery. Gain practical insights and transform your municipality's asset management strategies. [Read more...](#)



Announcing the launch of the Local Government Awards celebrating leaders in Canadian municipal government



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Coming Events

Ontario Municipal Human Resources Association (OMHRA) 2024 Fall Conference

Start Date: Sept. 10, 2024
End Date: Sept. 12, 2024

Association of Municipal Administrators of New Brunswick (AMANB) 2024 Annual Conference

Start Date: Sept. 10, 2024
End Date: Sept. 13, 2024

Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) 2024 Convention

Start Date: Sept. 16, 2024
End Date: Sept. 20, 2024

Cybersecurity for Municipal Councillors – AMO and Rogers Cybersecure Catalyst Training

Start Date: Sept. 24, 2024
End Date: Sept. 24, 2024

2024 Alberta Municipalities Convention & Trade Show

Start Date: Sept. 25, 2024
End Date: Sept. 27, 2024

Ontario Municipal Administrators' Association (OMAA) 2024 Fall Workshop

Start Date: Oct. 16, 2024
End Date: Oct. 18, 2024



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Farm Services

Wawanesa, MB 204-824-4050

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August 30, 2024

Hello Friends:

Our company operates an agricultural supply & distribution facility in this neighbourhood. One of our products is anhydrous ammonia, a nitrogen fertilizer. In high concentrations, ammonia is a hazardous product. A binder was given to you in 2019 to provide information to you about what to do in the unlikely event of an emergency involving ammonia. **Please review this information.**

We are committed to operating our business safely and responsibly. If an emergency did occur at our operation, you may receive a phone call from our personnel if the emergency could affect you. You will be advised of the best course of action at that time.

We are not conducting an "in person" informational meeting on site.

If you have any questions, you are welcome to call us at (204)824-4050.

Please take a moment to update your contact details with Julie at the office number.

Sincerely,

Brock Sutherland,
Manager
Wawanesa Shur-Gro
204-824-4053 office
204-740-0448 cell



AMMONIA or ANHYDROUS AMMONIA

Ammonia is a naturally occurring chemical. Our bodies make it in small amounts as a waste product. Farmers use it in concentrated form as a nitrogen fertilizer. It is also used for refrigeration and to make many industrial products such as adhesives and cleaning products like Windex.

Ammonia is a hazardous product in its concentrated form, so people using ammonia take many precautions to ensure its safe use. If you are near an ammonia facility or operation, it is important that you know about ammonia and what precautions to take in the unlikely event of an emergency.

Ammonia is caustic in nature, and will cause chemical burns if it contacts your eyes or lungs in high enough concentration. Ammonia has a pungent, biting odor that you can easily smell at very low concentrations.

Ammonia fertilizer is transported and stored as a liquid in pressurized tanks. If an accident were to occur, any ammonia spilled quickly turns to vapour and blows with the wind as it dissipates.

WHAT TO DO

If there is an ammonia accident nearby, you should move across wind to get away from the ammonia vapour. In a building, it is best to shelter in place. Quickly close all the windows, doors, and vents and call for help. The smell may become strong inside, but not enough to hurt you.

WHO TO CALL

In an emergency, please call local emergency services (911). You are also welcome to call your local ammonia fertilizer business at any time.

Shur-Gro Farm Services	204-824-4050	
Brian Downie	NH3 Consultant	204-573-3852 (cell)
Brock Sutherland		204-740-0448 (cell)
Julie Friesen		204-371-9018 (cell)

MORE INFORMATION

Your local fertilizer business can provide additional information. Please find attached the Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) on ammonia.

fact sheet



For skin contact:

- Remove contaminated clothing as quickly as possible. Flush exposed skin with large amounts of water for at least 30 minutes. Use warm water if available. If irritation persists, seek medical attention. Dispose of contaminated clothing in a manner that limits further exposure.

For minor inhalation:

- Using appropriate respiratory protection remove the affected individual from the area of overexposure. Allow the person to rest in a well ventilated area. If irritation persists, obtain medical attention.

For severe inhalation:

- Use proper respiratory protection to evacuate affected individuals to a safe area as soon as possible. Loosen tight clothing around the person's neck and waist. If breathing is difficult administer oxygen. If the person is not breathing, perform artificial respiration and obtain immediate medical attention.

For ingestion:

- If the victim is not breathing, begin artificial respiration and continue until the victim is breathing. Do not induce vomiting. Careful removal of the ammonia from the stomach by medical personnel is required. Call a physician or poison control center and seek immediate medical attention. If tolerated and if victim is conscious, give no more than 1 cup of milk or water to rinse the mouth and throat and dilute the stomach contents. No more than 8 ounces (1 cup) in adults and 4 ounces (1/2 cup) in children are recommended to minimize the risk of vomiting.

Where can I get more information?

For more information on this product, or other Agrium products, please call Agrium directly at (403) 225-7000.

Information can also be found at the following websites:

• Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR): www.atsdr.cdc.gov

• Occupational Health and Safety Administration (OSHA): www.osha.gov

• Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety: www.ccohs.ca

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What should you do in the event of a spill?

Follow any special instructions given over the radio, T.V., or by someone in authority.

If there is a fire or an explosion, stay away from the site. Follow standard, marked emergency routes or directions from police to travel to your destination.

If there has been a release of toxic vapors:

- Go indoors immediately and tightly close all doors, windows, and openings.
- Turn on your radio or television to a local news station. (*Be prepared to wait a few minutes for news.*)
- Follow any special instructions given over the radio or television, or by someone in authority.
- Shut off all air conditioning units, fans, ventilation systems and clothes dryers. In winter, turn your furnace to its lowest setting and close fireplace dampers.
- Evacuate only if advised to do so by local authorities.

You may wish to:

- Place wet towels at the base of doors or breathe through damp towels.
- Bring in pets if they are nearby and easily found.

Unless you are told to do so by authorities:

- **DO NOT** evacuate or travel.
- **DO NOT** bring home children from school, or other family members from work.
- **DO NOT** call 911 or any other authority for information. Keep your telephone line free.

When you have been advised of an **ALL CLEAR**, open your house to let it air out. ■

What is Anhydrous Ammonia?

Anhydrous ammonia is a liquefied gas, which is made by putting ammonia gas under pressure and chilling it to below -33°C. The term "anhydrous" means "without water". This product has a sharp odor and is both naturally occurring in the environment and industrially-manufactured.

How is Anhydrous Ammonia used?

Anhydrous ammonia is one of Agrium's key fertilizer products. It is used as the nitrogen source for fertilizer, and also in the manufacture of some specialty fertilizers. It is used by other industries for making refrigerants and household cleaning products.

What are the potential hazards?

Anhydrous ammonia is transported as a liquid at temperatures below -33°C. In the event of a large spill it can form a toxic vapor cloud that is heavier than air until its temperature increases.

Anhydrous ammonia is corrosive to copper, silver, aluminum, zinc, and alloys. It reacts with body moisture, so it may burn body tissue - skin, eyes, mouth, throat, lungs, and stomach - on contact, if inhaled or swallowed.

Ammonia is generally tolerable at concentrations up to 25 parts-per-million (ppm), although the smell is unpleasant and sharp. Above this concentration, irritation of the eyes, nose, and throat may begin. Above 400 ppm, skin burns and coughing occur immediately. The U.S. National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) has established 300 ppm as the concentration that is immediately dangerous to life and health (IDLH); at this concentration a person's ability to escape is impaired.

At concentrations between 1000 ppm and 2500 ppm, increasing chest tightness and severe eye, skin, and lung irritation will result. Immediate suffocation may result at concentrations above 2500 ppm. Effects may be more pronounced at lower concentrations in children, the elderly, and persons with impaired lung function.

Is Anhydrous Ammonia flammable or explosive?

Anhydrous ammonia is a slightly flammable liquid. It is not explosive.

What are the Emergency Response procedures?

In the event of a spill or accidental discharge of anhydrous ammonia, the fire department will assess the scene. Possible actions could include, but are not limited to, evacuating the area or implementing Shelter-in-Place procedures (see the section titled "If there has been a release of toxic vapors"). The emergency responders will attempt to stop the leak of anhydrous ammonia. When anhydrous ammonia is released it maintains its temperature below -33°C (auto-refrigeration) for some time, depending on factors such as outdoor temperature. The product stays in its liquid form, with only the outer layer closest to the air vaporizing at any given time. Emergency responders will not mix water used for firefighting directly with the anhydrous ammonia, as this could result in warming of the product, causing the liquid to turn into a toxic vapor cloud. However, they may use a water spray downwind of the leak source to absorb ammonia gas and dilute the vapor cloud, ensuring the water that is sprayed does not come into contact with the product. The spilled anhydrous ammonia would be recovered using earth moving equipment and sent to a Class 1 landfill for appropriate disposal.

What should you do if you are exposed to Anhydrous Ammonia?

For eye contact:

- Check for and remove contact lenses. **IMMEDIATELY** flush eyes with running water for at least 30 minutes, keeping the eyelids open. Use warm water if available. Obtain immediate medical attention.