



RMAA Review

News from the Rural Municipal Administrators' Association of Saskatchewan

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Discussions are always better than arguments, because an argument is to find out who is right, and a discussion is to find out what is right.

FUN FACT

There is a 50% chance that in a group of 23 people that two will share the same birthday!
 Hmm...this sounds like it should be tested at convention!



RMAA Convention 2023

Don't forget to REGISTER and PAY for the 2023 Convention by **April 21**. We are looking forward to seeing you all in Saskatoon in May! Once again we will be at the Saskatoon Inn. We hope you have taken the time to sign up for Monday's networking events. Turn to page 3 to see a summary of the draft agenda. There are also a couple of Bylaw amendments requiring a membership vote. Director Hvidston has outlined these changes and the background for these changes on page 4.

Humanitarian Services Foodbank

This convention we are collecting food and cash donations for the Saskatoon Food Bank. With the increase cost of groceries lower income families, students and seniors are really struggling being able to put food on the table. Food Bank use is at the highest level that it has ever been with almost 1.5 million visits to food banks in Canada in March of this year. Please consider bringing baby food, baby formula, canned soups or vegetables, pasta, whole grains, canned protein, peanut butter or fruit juice as a donation or give a gift of money. Tax receipts will be issued by Saskatoon Food Bank for cash donations of \$20 or more.



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Welcome to our newest members. We encourage everyone to reach out to our new members and welcome them to our association!

Certificate Name	Municipality	Certification Date	
1662	Tracy Joorisity	No. 94 Hazelwood	December 29, 2022
1663	Richard Levesque	No. 588 Meadow Lake	February 16, 2023
1664	Tracy Edwards	No. 131 Baidon	February 16, 2023
1665	Erin Robertson	No. 464 Leask	February 16, 2023
1666	Lorrie Champ	No. 309 Prairie Rose	February 16, 2023
1667	Jessica Dyck	No. 561 Loon Lake	February 21, 2023
1668	Donna Flavel	No. 221 Sarnia	February 23, 2023
1669	Krystal Graham	No. 229 Miry Creek	February 23, 2023
1670	Carrie Jansen	No. 228 Lacadena	March 12, 2023

25 YEARS STRONG!

Congratulations to the following members who have reached a milestone 25th Anniversary! The following will be included in the 2023 convention program but we didn't want to miss this opportunity to say **CONGRATULATIONS!**

Tammy Franks - R.M. of Stonehenge No. 73

Diane Jensen Watt - R.M. of Victory No. 226



Convention Information 2023

****NOTE** Business dress attire from Tuesday onward**

DRAFT 2023 RMAA CONVENTION AGENDA

MONDAY, MAY 15

- 10:30 Bus Leaves Saskatoon Inn & Conference Centre for the 'Annual RMAA Golf Tournament'
11:15, 12:45 Busses #1 and #2 Leave Saskatoon Inn & Conference Centre for the 'Admin on the Go Tour'
7:30 p.m. Registration & Welcome Reception

TUESDAY, MAY 16

- 8:30 Registration & Tradeshow
9:00 Convention Opening and Call to Order
9:15 Saskatchewan Municipal Hail Insurance Association Rodney Schoettler, CEO
9:30 Saskatchewan Municipal Hail Insurance Presents:
KEYNOTE PRESENTATION – TBD
11:00 Induction of New Members
Board of Examiners - Presentation of Advanced Certificates
Presentation of 25 Year Membership Pins
11:50 Luncheon and Guest Delegate Remarks
2:00 Executive-Director Report, Rose Zimmer
2:15 President's Address, Guy Lagrandeur
2:30 RMAA Executive Committee Reports
3:00 SARM President Address, Ray Orb, President of SARM
3:15 SARM Update, Jay Meyer, Executive Director of SARM
4:30 Adjourn

Free Evening for Delegates

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17

- 8:30 Registration & Tradeshow
9:00 Government Relations Workshops
11:45 Lunch Buffet
1:00 LA FOIP and Employee Rights Workshops
3:45 Adjourn
5:30 Member Reception for All Delegates ****NEW**** Enjoy cocktails before the banquet!
6:30 Convention Banquet (Doors open @ 6:00, Dinner @ 6:30)

THURSDAY, MAY 18

- 8:45 RMAA Humanitarian Presentation – Saskatoon Food Bank
9:00 Municipal Peer Mentorship, Tanya Mengel
9:15 Advanced Mentorship Program (AMP) Jill Palichuk AMP Coordinator
9:30 Sask Power -Future Supply Plan – 2030 and Beyond, Lara Ludwig, Nanette Salamon
10:30 Update on the RMAA Salary Schedule Review (tentative)
10:45 Divisional Meetings *NOTE: Elections will be held in Divisions 2, 4 & 6*
11:30 Introduction of New RMAA Executive
• Resolutions and Bylaw Amendments
• Any other Business
Noon Adjourn

Bylaw Changes - The Board will be presenting two amendments to bylaws at the 2023 RMAA Convention for a vote of the membership.

Bylaw 9

Bylaw 9 is a bylaw to divide the province into 6 divisions for the purpose of electing directors of the Association.

The purpose of the Bylaw amendment is to clean up the existing Bylaw. There are a few Municipalities within this Bylaw that no longer exist.

There is no proposed changes in boundaries of the individual divisions.

Bylaw 13

Removal of the following Section:

S.5 Any member who has had at least twenty-five years of recognized experience in Rural Municipal Administration shall participate in a minimum of eight (8) hours of professional development each year.

During the 2022 Convention, there was a vote to remove the above section. This amendment must be approved by the membership at the 2023 Convention.

By removing this section, every Administrator, regardless of years of service, must have a minimum of 16 credit hours of professional development each year.

Retirements

Congratulations to the following individuals who have announced their retirements since the last newsletter!

Linda Boser—R.M. of Swift Current No. 137

Sherry Huber — R.M. of Redford No. 379 and R.M. of Buffalo No. 409

Betty Johnson—R.M. of Battle River No. 438

Brenda Kasas —R.M. of Grass Lake No. 381

Frances Olson—R.M. of St. Philips No. 301

Gary Vargo—R.M. of Hazelwood No. 94

We will miss you!
