



September 15, 2014

## AMM Board meets

The AMM Board of Directors met on August 28, 2014 at the AMM office in Portage la Prairie.

Greg Tramley of McCandless Tramley and Associates attended the meeting to present his legal opinion regarding the proposed by-law changes that will be submitted to the Annual Convention for membership voting.

The Board then reviewed the AMM and MTCML year end estimate for 2013/14, as well as the proposed 2014/15 budget. The Board also reviewed the proposed 4-year education program that will run from 2014-2018.

A number of municipal policy issues were also reviewed. President Dobrowolski provided an update on the Small Communities Fund of Building Canada, noting the selection committee has met and made its recommendations.

Regarding amalgamation, the Board was informed that Executive Director Joe Masi and Manitoba Municipal Government have discussed financial support for human resources in amalgamating municipalities, and a proposal is forthcoming.

The 2014 flood was discussed at length, and the Board recommended that the AMM request a meeting with Premier Selinger to discuss flooding assistance and mitigation.

The Board also discussed the cosmetic pesticide ban and agreed to send a meeting request to Minister Mackintosh to discuss cost implications of the cosmetic pesticide ban legislation.

Other policy issues discussed included the Proposed Surface Water Management Strategy, the 2014 Municipal Road Improvement Program, Fire Safety Task Force recommendations, federal broadband internet fund, the Environment Act consultation, and the proposed School Site Act.

The next meeting of the AMM Board of Directors will take place on October 2, 2014.

Non-amalgamated municipality			
Category	Eligible to attend Convention?	Voting delegate?	Eligible to run for AMM Executive positions?
Newly or re-elected	Yes	Yes	Yes
Amalgamated municipality			
Category	Eligible to attend Convention?	Voting delegate?	Eligible to run for AMM Executive positions?
Current + Re-elected	Yes	Yes	Yes
Newly elected	Yes	No	No
Current + Non-elected	Yes	Yes	No

## Voting Information AMM Annual Convention

Preparations are well underway for the 2014 AMM Annual Convention. Electronic voting will again be used for resolutions sessions and elections. This year, elections will take place for President and two Vice-Presidents.

Because municipal councils in amalgamated municipalities will not be officially sworn in until January 1, 2015, the AMM obtained a legal opinion on voting delegate privileges. Eligibility for municipal officials to vote is limited by the AMM's By-law to a member of council holding an elected municipal office. Please review the table at left see which category you will fall under:

Regarding amalgamated categories, please note:

1. Current and Re-elected municipal officials are those who held office during the previous (2010-2014) term, regardless of whether they are in the same position or a different position.
2. Newly elected officials are those who did not serve during the previous (2010-2014) term.
3. Current and Non-elected officials are those who served during the previous (2010-2014) term and either did not seek re-election or were defeated.
4. Current CAOs will still be eligible to vote.

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



## Coming Events



### AMM 16th Annual Convention

November 24-26, 2014  
RBC Convention Centre, Winnipeg

Visit our website for news on:

\* registration \* speakers \* program  
\* Gala \* sponsors \*  
and much more!

[www.amm.mb.ca/events\\_convention.html](http://www.amm.mb.ca/events_convention.html)

## Notices



### Attention CAOs!

Your Senior Election Official's credentials to log in to the [Manitoba Votes](http://Manitoba Votes) website were emailed to them on September 10.

They now have everything they need to input your local election information into the system.

For more information, please contact:

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## Coming Events

### The 2014 Manitoba Excellence in Sustainability Awards *Celebrating Success in Sustainability*

The Manitoba Excellence in Sustainability Awards recognize and honour people, projects and ideas that successfully turn the principles and guidelines of sustainable development into lasting achievements.

Any individual, business, institution, organization, community group and youth in Manitoba is eligible to apply or be nominated in various categories.

The deadline for submitting an application or nomination is **12:00 noon, Friday, September 26, 2014.**

For more information, please visit:  
[www.manitoba.ca/conservation/susresmb/mrtsd/mesa/index.html](http://www.manitoba.ca/conservation/susresmb/mrtsd/mesa/index.html)

Or contact:

**Manitoba Round Table for Sustainable Development**  
**Telephone: 204-945-4391**  
**Toll-Free: 1-800-282-8069**  
**E-mail: [mrtsd@gov.mb.ca](mailto:mrtsd@gov.mb.ca)**

### The 20th Annual Manitoba Labour Law Review

October 28 & 29, 2014  
Hotel Fort Garry  
Winnipeg

Are you a Supervisor or HR Manager from a unionized town or city and need to stay on top of the latest developments in labour and human rights law affecting your unionized employees?

Attend this practical state-of-the-law conference presented by leading Manitoba labour lawyers:

For a list of topics, presenters and registration information, please visit our website:

[labourlawonline.ca/main.jsp?p=seminar\\_desc&seminarid=212&bn-did=2&st=3](http://labourlawonline.ca/main.jsp?p=seminar_desc&seminarid=212&bn-did=2&st=3)

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### SAVE THE DATE:

### Manitoba Community Recycling & Waste Reduction Forum

Tuesday, November 4, 2014  
Best Western Plus Airport Hotel  
1715 Wellington Avenue, Winnipeg

The Manitoba Association of Regional Recyclers (MARR) is pleased to announce the 2014 Manitoba Community Recycling & Waste Reduction Forum.

The annual Forum offers practical information and training to help communities deliver successful recycling and waste reduction programs.

The Forum is open to all. Please mark your calendar today and share this information with all members of Your Community Recycling Team.

Details will be sent directly to MARR members soon and posted at:

[www.marrrmb.com](http://www.marrrmb.com)

### Freedom in Forgiveness



In 2008, journalist Amanda Lindhout was kidnapped and held captive for 460 days in Somalia while researching a story.

If you missed Lindhout's keynote address during last year's AMM Convention, here is your opportunity!

CDEM has engaged Lindhout to give a keynote address on Thursday, September 18th at 7:00 pm as well as a half day workshop (her first ever!) on the 19th of September entitled Freedom in Forgiveness.

**For keynote tickets, workshop registration and information:**

**204.925.2320 ext 108 or via email to [admin@consultjtm.ca](mailto:admin@consultjtm.ca)**