

**MINUTES of the
SIXTIETH (60th) ANNUAL CONVENTION of the
URBAN MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATORS' ASSOCIATION OF SASKATCHEWAN
Held at the TRAVELODGE HOTEL IN SASKATOON, JUNE 2nd TO 5th, 2015.**

PRESENT WERE: 208 Delegates-9 Spouses-3 Fraternal-48 Sponsors/Exhibitors/Guests = 268

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3rd

CALL TO ORDER

President Rodney Audette called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Wednesday, June 3rd, 2015.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

President Rodney Audette introduced the Head Table and gave his welcoming remarks.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director Richard Dolezsar provided his annual report on the operation of the Association and announcements relating to the 2015 Convention Program.

2014 CONVENTION MINUTES

Moved by Stephen Schury that the 2014 Annual Convention Minutes be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

2014 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Moved by Richard Dolezsar that the 2014 Audited Financial Statement be accepted as circulated.

CARRIED

CONFERENCE KICKOFF SPEAKER – GREG JOHNSON

Greg Johnson, the Tornado Hunter, provided an inspiring conference kickoff presentation entitled "Leaving a Legacy".

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS – VICE PRESIDENT

Phil Boivin, Government Relations, conducted the Call for Nominations for Vice President.

Stephen Schury, Milestone nominated Jason Chorneyko, Wynyard for the position of Vice President.

No further nominations were received upon third call.

Phil Boivin, Government Relations, declared Jason Chorneyko elected Vice President by acclamation.

WORKSHOP – INTERIM & ANNUAL SCHOOL LIABILITY STATEMENT

Monica Chu and Jennifer Peet from Government Relations and Nicole Lerat of Rosthern provided information on the process of completing the Interim and Annual School Liability Statement.

NOON LUNCHEON

The following sponsors provided remarks and fraternal greetings at the noon luncheon:

- Don Poon, SAL Engineering
- Nish Prasad, Sask Water
- Cal Martin, Director SASBO
- Gary Hanna, MMAA Past President
- Kelly Eskeland, Director LGAA

DISTRICT MEETINGS

District meetings took place from 1:00 to 1:30 p.m.

DISTRICT MEETING REPORTS

Respective division directors provided individual reports on issues addressed in their regional meetings which included the following items: Landfills (planning for decommissioning of transfer stations; concerns over new regulations); regional collaboration; bylaw enforcement; discussion on joint projects (ie: fire, planner, waste, monthly admin meetings, recreation, district planning, heavy equipment training); future education session ideas, convention ideas, new legislation that is being proposed.

EMPLOYMENT CONTRACTS

Adam R Touet from W Law Group made a presentation on do's and don'ts of an employment contract and stressed the importance of possessing one.

SUMA – GROUP PROCUREMENT

Mike Dundas of SUMA presented information on group procurement.

MUNICIPAL CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Andrea McKibben, Project Facilitator and Amanda Parkinson, Program Manager made a presentation on the Municipal Capacity Development Program.

ANNUAL BANQUET, RETIREMENTS AND SOCIAL EVENING

Conference participants enjoyed the annual banquet, retirement awards, membership pin presentations, new certificate recognition and performance by James Williams. Honorable Jim Reiter, Minister of Gov't Relations attended as guest speaker.

THURSDAY, JUNE 4TH**ASSOCIATE MEMBERS MEETING**

An Associate members meeting was held and Lori Foster of Osler was elected as Associate Director.

DAVID SIEGAL – LEADERS IN THE SHADOWS: QUALITIES OF SUCCESSFUL CAO’S

David Siegal, Author of Leaders in the Shadows: Qualities of Successful CAO’s gave a powerful presentation of the attributes of successful CAO’s.

INFORMATION SERVICES CORPORATION (ISC)

Information Services Corporation (ISC) made a presentation covering web navigation, maps and basic tax enforcement.

NETWORKING AFTERNOON

Delegates participated in a networking afternoon with a choice of either a Texas Scramble Golf Tournament at Rosthern Valley Regional Park or Women on the Go Tour at Watrous/Manitou Beach/Mineral Springs Resort and more. This was followed by a social evening and entertainment featuring a DJ.

Winners of the Texas Scramble were a team of:

Brad Hvidston, Cam Thauberger, Karalee Davis, Colleen Digness

GOVERNMENT RELATIONS WORKSHOP

During the networking afternoon, some chose to stay for a workshop on “Everything You Didn’t Learn in LGA” and an open question session with Government Relations.

FRIDAY, JUNE 5TH**SASKENERGY – GREETINGS AND SAFETY VIDEO**

Neil Barron, Customer Solutions Leader of SaskEnergy presented greetings and a safety video, emphasizing the safety of calling before you dig.

SUMASSURE – RISK MANAGEMENT

Robin Daddar and Brett Christie of SUMAssure presented on risk management in the workplace.

GOVERNMENT RELATIONS – LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

Phil Boivin, Municipal Advisor of Government Relations gave an update on legislative amendments and additions.

SPRA

Rob Boulding and Clint McConell of SPRA gave a presentation on what SPRA is, and does including some grant information.

INTRODUCTION OF 2015 - 16 EXECUTIVE

Division 1	Ronda Heisler, Vibank
Division 2	Chris Costley, Mossbank/Gravelbourg
Division 3	Joni Mack, Jansen
Division 4	Aileen Garrett, Unity
Division 5	Brad Hvidston, Tisdale
Division 6	Nicole Lerat, Rosthern
Division 7	Therese Chartier, Buffalo Narrows
Associate	Lorie Foster, Osler
Vice President	Jason Chorneyko, Wynyard
President	Rodney Audette, Bethune
Past President	Kim Gartner, Macklin
Executive Director	Richard Dolezsar, Hudson Bay
Executive Assistant	Teresa Parkman, Hudson Bay

PRESIDENT’S ADDRESS

President Rodney Audette thanked the Delegates and Executive Members for their support and looked forward to working with the new Executive and membership in the coming year. He invited delegates to communicate regularly with Executive members.

ADJOURNMENT

President Rodney Audette declared the Convention adjourned at 11:40 a.m.