

MUNICIPAL Update

December 28, 2020



Call for Executive Committee Nominations

Are you or do you know an elected official interested in running for a position on Municipalities of Saskatchewan's Executive Committee? Elections for three positions on the committee are held at the first convention following municipal elections. Nominations are now open for the positions of President, Vice-President of Towns, and Vice-President of Villages, Resort Villages, and Northern Municipalities.

Those interested in running are required to **submit nomination papers**. Nominees must have their **papers signed by two other elected officials** from any Municipalities of Saskatchewan member municipality in good standing. Nominations must be **submitted 15 days prior** to the election date, with elections scheduled to take place **February 8**.

Nomination papers



Last Chance to Share Your Thoughts on the 2020 Municipal Elections

To learn from the election experiences of municipalities across Saskatchewan, the Ministry of Government Relations created a post-election survey for municipalities. The survey is closing

December 31. Have you responded? The survey is open to municipal staff, election officials, and council members.

The ministry will review the responses and report back on what they heard. A summary of the submissions and next steps will be posted online in late spring 2021.

Take the survey



Municipalities of Saskatchewan 2021 Webinars

On behalf of Municipalities of Saskatchewan, thank you for making 2020 a great year for webinars! This year Municipalities of Saskatchewan expanded its webinar capacity to cover a wide range of topics from governance to Covid-19 and we aren't slowing down for 2021.

In 2021, we are launching three webinar series:

- The Governance 101 Series is designed to help guide new councillors through their first year on council. This series will also be a can't miss for returning councillors as it will provide new insights and refreshed information that everyone can benefit from.
- The Ask and Answer Series is an adaptation of some of 2020's best attended webinars. This series will gather experts on pressing and relevant topics so you can ask your municipal questions.
- In the **Express Webinar Series**, hear from multiple presenters on multiple topics in quick-fire presentation rounds with more time for your questions.

Get ready for a fast paced 2021. Our first webinar is happening **January 12**.



Express Webinar Series: Community and Economic Development

In our first webinar of 2021, learn about:

- Supporting older adults during COVID-19 and beyond. Encouraging an age-friendly community results in a healthier, safer community for all ages.
- The 2018 review of the Urban Highway Connector Program and the changes that are being implemented as part of the review. The changes are happening in 2021 and will require participating municipalities to sign a program agreement.
- The Employee and Family Assistance Program (EFAP) and how municipalities can benefit. EFAP is a 24-hour support system for health, work, and life counselling solutions.

Register for the webinar



2021 Municipalities of Saskatchewan Membership Due this January

Earlier this month we sent members all the information needed to renew your membership for 2021. Please be sure to have your payment and updated information to us by **January 31**. We wouldn't want you to miss out on any membership benefits.

Renewing your membership for another year gives you access to our money saving programs. It also supports our advocacy and capacity-building work. We appreciate your support all year long.

MUNICIPALITIES OF SASKATCHEWAN



Reminder to Submit Your Election Results

Municipalities are reminded to submit their municipal election results to the Ministry of Government Relations.

Section 140 of *The Local Government Election Act, 2015*, requires administrators/city clerks to notify the Ministry of Government Relations of election results. Results can be submitted using the ministry's online Municipal Election Results Form.

Municipalities are also reminded to update the Municipal Directory System with any changes arising from the municipal elections.



LA FOIP Foundation Webinars

The Office of the Saskatchewan Information and Privacy Commissioner is hosting a four part webinar series titled LA FOIP Foundations: Access and Privacy Tips for Local Authorities from February 1-4. Each webinar runs from 1:00-2:30 p.m. daily. Participants can register for one, two, three, or all four webinars.

February 1 - LA FOIP 101: Clarifying the Act for Beginners
February 2 - Municipal Sector:
Practical Tips and Tricks
February 3 - Education Sector:
Practical Tips and Tricks
February 4 - Police Services:
Practical Tips and Tricks

Learn more.

Events



Upcoming Events

Municipalities of Saskatchewan Express Webinar Series: Community and Economic Development January 12

Virtual Convention and Tradeshow February 7-10

Event Insight

Are you planning to attend the 2021 Virtual Convention and Tradeshow?

Yes, I'm planning to attend.

Select

I need more information before I decide.

Select

I'm unable to make it.

No, I'm tired of online events.

Select

VIRTUAL Convention and Tradeshow



Convention 2021

Early-Bird Rates Extended to December 31

Municipal elections, the provincial election, and navigating the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic. We know that 2020, especially these last few months, have been extremely busy for Saskatchewan's hometowns. That's why we've extended the early-bird deadline for Convention registration to **December 31.** Register now to save \$100 per registrant.



Delegates who registered for Convention by the initial early-bird deadline on December 22 were entered for the chance to win one complimentary Convention registration.

The winner of the complimentary registration is **Gerard Parent** from the **Village of Sedley**. Congratulations Gerard!

Reasons to Attend Municipalities of Saskatchewan's 2021 Virtual Convention and Tradeshow

Wondering why you should attend Municipalities of Saskatchewan's 2021 Virtual Convention and Tradeshow? Hear a few great reasons from Convention Chair, Randy Goulden.



Check out the **Convention brochure** to learn more about Convention.

Classifieds and Grants



Classifieds

Positions Available:

- Town of Wynyard: Assistant Administrator (December 31)
- Town of Radisson:
 Administrator (January 8)
- Village of Elbow: *Administrator* (January 8)
- Village of Viscount: Administrator (January 8)
- Town of Fort Qu'Appelle: Facility Operations Manager (January 8)
- Town of Pelly and RM of St. Philips No. 301: *Administrator*



Grants

Upcoming Deadlines:

- SaskCulture Community
 Cultural Engagement and
 Planning Grant (February 16)
- SGI Community Grant Program (February 28)
- Government of Saskatchewan Community Rink Affordability Grant (March 12)
- SGI Traffic Safety Fund Grant (Opens January 1 and closes March 31)
- Investing In Canada
 Infrastructure Program Green

 Stream Landfill

(January 15)

- Town of Shaunavon: Assistant Director of Operations (When filled)
- City of Melfort: City Manager (When filled)
- Town of La Ronge:
 Administrative Assistant (When filled)
- Village of Loon Lake: Joint Municipal Office Administrator (When filled)
- Town of White City Deputy Town Clerk (When filled)

For Sale:

- Garbage Truck
- Portable Radar Speed Sign
- Swenson Spreader

Have a position to fill or an item to sell? Submit your ad on our website.

Find the latest listings by visiting the Classifieds section of our website, under the Programs and Services tab.

Decommissioning (Applications accepted until funding fully allocated)

 Richardson International Ltd. Community Donations (Year round)

For a full listing of grants, check the **Grants** section of our website under the Resources tab.

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