

September Board Meeting

The SUMA Board of Directors met September 21 and 22 in Regina. Highlights from the meeting include:

- The Public Safety and Health committee toured the STARS base in Regina.
- SUMA will send a letter to the federal boundaries commission supporting their proposed changes for electoral boundaries in Saskatchewan.
- The Board endorsed the comments provided by the Environment Committee on of the 25 Year Saskatchewan Water Security Strategy. While SUMA is seeking some changes to the draft strategy, the association supports the development of this plan.

More details are available [on the SUMA website](#).

Early Birds Get the Best Deal!

This is your last chance to take advantage of early bird pricing for the MCDP Inter-municipal Conference. You can register for just \$115.50 until the end of the day September 30. Payment can be made by cheque, MasterCard or Visa - payment information can be found on the registration page.

Spots are filling up quickly, so [register today!](#) You can register now, even if you don't know who will be on council.

Instructions on how to do that are in the [August 13 issue of Urban Update](#).

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Quote of the Week:

The harder you work, the luckier you get.

Jerry Barber

SUMA Classifieds

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Village of Riverhurst: Village Maintenance/Public Works Employee (October 4)

Town of Eston: Chief Administrative

The conference, running November 28-29 in Regina, will feature keynote presentations, breakout sessions, and give municipalities the chance to talk with their neighbours during regional discussion sessions. For more information, check the [event website](#).

If you are not from a municipality but wish to attend, please contact Tanya Doucette at tdoucette@sarm.ca or 306-761-3735.

Coming to a Region Near You

We announced the dates of the upcoming Regional Meetings in the *Urban Voice*, and here's a reminder of when and where the meeting will be held this year.

Central Region: November 13 - Lanigan

East Central Region: November 14 - Melville

Southeast Region: November 15 - Stoughton

Southwest Region: November 16 - Gravelbourg

West Central Region: November 19 - Kerrobert

Northwest Region: November 20 - Shellbrook

Northeast Region: November 21 - Tisdale

Meetings are scheduled from approximately 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Lunch will be provided.

The [Regional Meetings page](#) of the SUMA website will contain the most up-to-date information. The final agenda will be posted a month before the meetings. Agenda components include:

- Introduction to SUMA, election procedures and SUMA updates
- Regional discussion
- Lunch
- Educational component
- Elections of SUMA Regional Director, Regional Committee and Regional Vice-Chair

If there are any topics you'd like to see included as education,

Officer (October 5)

RM of Argyle, MB: Chief Administrative Officer (October 11)

City of Moose Jaw: Director of Engineering (October 12)

Town of Mossbank: Chief Administrative Officer (When filled)

Town of Spiritwood: Town Foreman (When filled)

Town of Preeceville: Water and Sewer Foreman (When filled)

MidSask Alliance: Planner/Administrator (When filled)

FOR SALE

Fire Truck (September 30)

For more details on these ads, visit the SUMA Classifieds under the Urban Marketplace tab.

Your Source for Election Supplies

The SUMA Election Supply program provides a one-stop shop. We provide the assurance that supplies will be up to date and a staff member available to answer questions, or refer you to the appropriate contacts at the Ministry of Government Relations.

SUMA offers:

please contact your Regional Director (listed on the [Regional Meetings page](#)). We also want to hear any issues that have come up in your region. Regional meetings are an excellent opportunity to hear the latest developments on major policy issues, to ask questions, and give your ideas and feedback.

Remember: New Voter ID Regulations Apply to Municipal Elections

This year, there are new requirements for voter identification for municipal elections. The new requirements are similar to those put in place for federal and provincial elections. To help you inform your voters, the Ministry of Municipal Relations has created some tools and resources.

- [Information](#) about voter identification options.
- [Information and resources](#) for election officials.
- [Information and resources](#) for municipalities to help voters understand the changes to legislation and what types of identification are now acceptable (**including ready-to-use posters and utility mailers**).

Upcoming Grant Deadlines

Several grants listed on our website have deadlines coming up quickly. Check them out to see if your community qualifies for a little financial help.

[Building Communities through Arts and Heritage](#) (September 30)

[Community Development Program: Building Rural and Northern Partnerships](#) (September 30)

[Community Vitality Program](#) (October 1)

[CIF Physical Activity Grant](#) (October 1)

[Problem Gambling Prevention and Treatment Grants](#) (October 1)

- ballots;
- forms;
- cardboard ballot boxes;
- template for blind voters;
- pencils;
- cardboard polling stations;
- metal seals; and
- paper seals.

Inquire to the SUMA office for pricing.

Order forms are available on the SUMA website. Contact Tania Meier if you have any questions: 306-525-4379 or tmeier@suma.org.



About Us

We'd like to thank you for reading the Urban Update this week and we welcome your comments.

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Did You Know...

Saskatchewan has more golf courses per capita than any other province.

According to [Golf Saskatchewan](#), there are more than 250 golf courses across the province. Maybe it's time to

squeeze in a game before the season
is over!