

Urban Update



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SUMA Office Closed Monday

The SUMA office will be closed Monday, June 30. We suspect that you might also be otherwise occupied the day before Canada Day, so we thought we'd send Urban Update early. Have a fun and safe (extra) long weekend!

Anti-Spam Legislation

For the last few weeks, your inbox has probably been peppered with emails from various organizations asking you to confirm that you want to receive emails. That's because the new [Canadian Anti-Spam Legislation \(CASL\)](#) goes into effect on Tuesday, July 1.

Though [some opinions say](#) that municipalities' activities are excluded, we suggest reviewing your municipality's electronic messaging policy, and be sure you're using email best practices that also ensure compliance - just in case. There are three basic things you need to do:

1. Ensure the recipient has given consent
2. Identify yourself properly in your emails
3. Include an unsubscribe mechanism in your emails

Along with the links above, here are some other resources on CASL we've found useful.

- [Resources from Constant Contact](#), the service we use to send Urban Update and other member communication
- [Resources from the Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation](#)

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FAQs on Municipal Governance

Question:

Can a municipality terminate water service at a residence for non-payment of the account?

[Association](#), one of SUMA's partners

To ensure you continue to receive Urban Update, please [confirm your interest](#).

Recycling Funding Sign Ups Due Monday

Did you register to show your interest in participating in MMSW MMRP funding? Funding Agreements must be emailed to MMSW at info@multimaterialsw.ca or faxed to 1-866-260-0066 by June 30. For more information, visit www.mmsk.ca or contact MMSW at info@multimaterialsw.ca.

Are you interested in setting up a residential recycling program? The deadline for applying for the [Recycling Infrastructure Grant Program](#) for funding to acquire bins, bailers, and mobile scales expires June 30.

Calling All Saskatchewan Mayors

Have you registered for the second annual Mayors Summer School? This exciting and unique two-and-a-half-day workshop will boost your confidence in your role as a mayor as well as fill your tool kit with new skills, knowledge and networks. Join your colleagues at the University of Regina Campus on August 17-19, 2014.

For event details and to register, visit [the event page on our website](#). **Registration deadline is July 16.**

Awards for Long Service and Outstanding Service

Recognize your long-serving employees and elected officials by nominating them for the [Meritorious Service](#) or [Honorary Membership](#) Award.

If you know of an individual who deserves to be recognized for

Answer:

In accordance with bylaws, and after giving reasonable notice, yes. ([Read the full answer](#))

SUMA Classifieds

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

City of Humboldt: Finance Manager
(June 27)

Town of Elrose: Administrator (July 7)

RM of Mariposa: Administrator (July 31)

Town of Elrose: Town foreman
(August 11)

Town of Langenburg: Public Works Operator (When Filled)

Town of Rosetown: Superintendent of Public Works (When Filled)

Village of Vibank: Public Works Foreman (When Filled)

Town of Ituna: Administrator
(When Filled)

Town of Wadena: Director of Public Works and Utilities (When Filled)

Town of Lumsden: Water/Wastewater Operator
(When Filled)

Village of Caronport: Public Works Superintendent (When Filled)

outstanding service in municipal government or administration on a local, provincial, and national basis, nominations are also open for the [Scoop Lewry Award](#).

Award recipients will be honoured at the President's Banquet at [Convention 2015](#) in Saskatoon.

Updated Resolution Policy

The SUMA Board has approved changes to our resolution policies, to provide better guidance to our members on crafting successful resolutions and bringing them forward to the membership at convention. You can find the [new resolution policies document](#) on our website.

Changes to Golf Cart and Power-Assisted Bicycle Regulations

SGI has made a number of legislative and regulatory changes around golf carts and power-assisted bicycles.

In response to SUMA's advocacy efforts, SGI has defined golf carts in the regulations for The Traffic Safety Act, allowing municipalities to pass bylaws governing their use on roads and highways to travel to and from a golf course. The changes **come into effect today** (June 27, 2014). Any new bylaws on golf carts will be subject to SGI review and approval. SGI asks municipalities with existing golf cart bylaws to provide SGI with a copy of the bylaw **before September 25, 2014**.

Registration requirements for power-assisted bicycles have also changed. Power-assisted bicycles no longer require a driver's license or registration, provided they require manual peddling to keep the motor engaged, and do not have powered assistance over 30 km/hour.

Supporting Crime Stoppers

For 27 years Saskatchewan Crime Stoppers has helped Saskatchewan police forces solve crimes, seize drugs, and recover stolen property. Saskatchewan Crime Stoppers has

[SARM: Executive Director](#) (When Filled)

[Village of Dysart: Public Works Foreman](#) (When Filled)

[Town of Biggar: Town Foreman](#) (When Filled)

FOR SALE

[Truck](#) (When Sold)

[Street Sweeper](#) (When Sold)

For a full listing of ads, visit the [SUMA Classifieds](#) under the Urban Marketplace tab.

Grants

Upcoming Deadlines:

[Recycling Infrastructure Grant Program](#) (June 30)

Continuous Intake:

- *[CMHC Seed Funding Program](#)*
- *[Family Violence Initiative](#)*
- *[Green Municipal Fund](#)*
- *[Northern Capital Grants Program](#)*
- *[SaskEnergy Community Fund](#)*
- *[Skills Link](#)*

For a full listing of grants, check the Grants section on [our website](#) under the Resources tab.

continually received financial support from urban and rural municipalities through the voluntary sponsorship program. Your financial contribution of any amount up to and including \$200 ensures Crime Stoppers can continue an effective program to fight crime and educate citizens. Your support helps Crime Stoppers contribute to getting criminals off our streets and recovering stolen property and drugs.

Please send your generous support by mail to:

Saskatchewan Crime Stoppers

RCMP "F" Division

Bag Service 2500

Regina, SK S4P 3K7

For more information, contact Sean McEachern at smceachern@suma.org or 306-525-4394.

Development Appeals Board Workshop

The Saskatchewan Professional Planners Institute is once again providing a Development Appeals Board (DAB) Workshop.

A DAB is required by law when a municipality has a zoning bylaw and these issues can be quite complicated, especially since municipal staff and elected officials cannot sit on these local or joint municipal boards. These workshops will help board members, secretaries to the boards, and administrators/development officers understand the DAB role and responsibilities, and to give attendees a chance to talk to professional planners.

For more information, check [the workshop ad](#), and [registration form](#).

Upcoming MEPP Workshops

If you're excited about planning what you're going to do this summer, imagine how exciting it would be to plan what you'll do when you're done working entirely! The Retire*WithEase*

SUMA Golf Tournament

Don't forget Monday's deadline to register for the 26th Annual SUMA Golf Tournament at the Aspen Links County Club in White City on July 17-18, 2014. Non-golfers are always welcome as well. [Download the 2014 pamphlet](#) for all the details and your registration form. See you there!



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...

James Minifie once called Vanguard home. Minifie worked for the New York Herald Tribune, was the Washington correspondent for the CBC, and was a noted author.

workshops from the Municipal Employees' Pension Plan (MEPP) can help you make your road map to retirement. There are [presentations scheduled](#) all the way through the fall. Register today, and start imagining everything you'll do during retirement.