

Urban Update



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Are You Ready for Regionals?

Don't run out of time to register for SUMA's 2014 Regional Meetings. Registration closes a week before each meeting, which means the first deadline is today!

Visit [the Regional Meetings page of our website](#) now to register, and see all the details for each meeting.

Region	Date	Director	Location
Central	September 29	Ron Osika	Lumsden
East Central	September 30	Randy Goulden	Langenburg
Southeast	October 1	Mike Strachan	Radville
Southwest	October 2	Barry Rudd	Maple Creek
West Central	October 6	Al Heron	Wilkie
Northwest	October 7	Ben Buhler	Dalmeny
Northeast	October 8	Glenn George	Melfort

Convention 2015: Call for Resolutions

You are welcome to submit resolutions to SUMA anytime throughout the year, but the deadline for council resolutions for Convention 2015 is Friday, November 21, 2014. Submit them via email to smckenzie@suma.org.

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FAQs on Municipal Governance

Question:

Should a municipality have an approved building bylaw?

Answer:

Yes, an approved building bylaw provides for the control of building construction and allows the

After the Resolution Committee and SUMA's policy committees review the resolutions and combine similar ones, we will provide a package to all members before Wednesday, December 31, 2014. Late resolutions will be reviewed by the Resolutions Committee but only those considered to be newly emergent and urgent will be presented to the Convention as emergency resolutions. Other late resolutions could be sponsored by the Board of Directors or considered after Convention.

The [Call for Resolutions](#) includes the full details on submitting a resolution for Convention 2015, and a basic template for creating your own resolution. You may also want to review the revised [Resolutions Policy](#) before you craft a resolution. Examples of past resolutions are available on [the Resolution Database](#).

We Want to Hear From You: Newly Elected Workshop?

We want to know if you are interested in attending a Newly Elected workshop the Sunday morning before Convention 2015 begins (February 1). The Newly Elected workshop also serves as the Municipal Leaders Roles and Responsibilities module of [the Municipal Leadership Development Program](#). There will be a small cost to participate in the workshop. We need interest from at least 50 people to offer the workshop in 2015. Please take [this short survey](#) to tell us if you are interested in attending.

Equipment Operator Course

Did you know that SUMAssure's #2 source of claims is due to human error/operation of municipal equipment? To combat this, SUMAssure is pleased to provide a one-day, hands-on Power Mobile Equipment Operator Evaluator Course - Train the Trainer.

There are six sessions, held at locations around the province:
October 14 - Melfort
October 15 - Martensville

municipality to issue building permits, collect building permit fees and inspect construction. ([Read more FAQs.](#))

SUMA Classifieds

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Village of Clavet: Administrator
(September 26)

City of Yorkton: City Controller
(September 26)

Town of White City: Administrative Assistant
(September 29)

Town of Wadena: Chief Administrative Officer
(September 30)

Resort Village of Manitou Beach: Public Works Maintenance Person
(October 15)

Town of Moosomin: Director of Public Works and Utilities
(October 20)

Northern Village of Denare Beach: Foreman
(October 20)

City of Moose Jaw: Director of Engineering Services
(October 25)

Spiritwood Area Recreation, Culture and Sport Inc.: Arena Operator/Parks Coordinator
(When Filled)

City of Melfort: Director of Community Services
(When Filled)

RM of Tecumseh: Administrator

October 16 - Meadow Lake

October 21 - White City

October 22 - Shaunavon

October 24 - Carlyle

Enrollment Fee:

Free for SUMAssure subscribers!

Non-SUMAssure subscriber: \$300/person

See the event poster for more details. Space is limited to 20 people per course, so [register today!](#)

The SUMAssure Insurance Reciprocal is a not-for-profit reciprocal insurance exchange owned by its subscribing urban municipalities. SUMAssure is devoted exclusively to providing Saskatchewan's urban municipalities with the best possible insurance program at the lowest possible cost. For more information, visit [the SUMAssure website](#).

Consultation on Consumer Protection Legislation

The Saskatchewan Ministry of Justice is proposing new consumer protection legislation, The Consumer Protection and Business Practices Act and The Consumer Protection and Business Practices Regulations. The ministry is seeking feedback on the new legislation, which is expected to be implemented later this year.

The proposed legislation would exempt suppliers of public utilities from having to comply with certain consumer contracts provisions, such as prescribed disclosure requirements.

Please review [the consultation document](#) and email any responses to [Steven Dribnenki](#) by October 1. We will compile the responses from our members and submit them to the ministry.

Voluntary Compliance Period Ending

(When Filled)

[Town of Spiritwood: Foreman](#)

(When Filled)

[Village of Lipton: Public Works and](#)

[Utilities Person](#) (When Filled)

[Town of Duck Lake: Administrator](#)

(When Filled)

[Village of Edam: Administrator](#)

(When Filled)

[Town of Biggar: Economic](#)

[Development Officer](#) (When

Filled)

[Town of Milestone seeks Town](#)

[Foreman](#) (When Filled)

FOR SALE

[Water and Wastewater Treatment](#)

[Plant Equipment](#)

(When Sold)

For a full listing of ads, visit the [SUMA Classifieds](#)

under the Urban Marketplace tab.

Grants

Upcoming Deadlines:

- [Building Community through Arts and Heritage](#)
(September 30)
- [Cenotaph and Monument Restoration Program](#)
(October 1)
- [Community Grants Program](#)
(October 31)

Amendments to The Land Survey Regulations, 2014 came into force on June 12, 2014. The amendments require all plans to be:

- submitted in an electronic format acceptable to the Controller of Surveys using the web-enabled submission tool;
- accompanied by an AutoCAD file (when necessary, based on plan purpose); and
- contain at least two georeferenced points (when necessary).

The Controller of Surveys has allowed voluntary compliance of these amendments, but the voluntary compliance period will end on October 4, 2014. That day, ISC will introduce changes to its Plan Submissions Online tool. More details on submitting a plan online are [available on the ISC website](#).

- [Lake Winnipeg Basin Stewardship Fund](#) (October 1)
- [Community Grants](#) (October 31)

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

2014 Mayor's Housing Summit

Mayor Michael Fougere invites and encourages housing stakeholders, including non-profits, directly involved in the funding, planning, and policy decisions, to attend the 2014 Mayor's Housing Summit taking place October 21 at the Delta Regina Hotel. Focussing on progress and practical solutions, participants will measure housing progress and work towards identifying housing solutions in the Regina region.

To ensure there is no barrier to attendance at the Summit, registered, non-profit housing organizations, to a maximum of two representatives from each organization, can register free of charge.

Visit [the summit website](#) to register today or for more information.

Urban Update Advertisement

FOIP/LAFOIP Access and Privacy Training, Fall 2014 Series

More Tire Savings!



Kal Tire has a winter special, available only to SUMA members. [See the savings today](#), and act quickly. The sale runs until November 30.

Winter is inevitable, but paying full price for snow tires doesn't have to be!



About Us

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

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Regina, October 28-30 / Saskatoon, November 4-6

- A. FOIP/LAFOIP FUNDAMENTALS WORKSHOP
- B. CORE FOIP/LAFOIP WORKSHOPS

Should have fundamentals training and/or understanding of FOIP/LAFOIP to register.

1. Managing Privacy
2. Access to Information Requests

For more information and how to register, [visit the website](#) or phone 800-387-8797

<http://www.suma.org>

Did You Know...

Willow Bunch has also been known as Hart Rouge and Talle de Saule. The nickname Talle de Saule means Clump of Willow, and likely refers to the red willows found in the area.