



### **Member Bulletins**

# Ready for Her: A Guide for Women Running for Municipal Office

The Ministry of Status of Women has recently developed a guide for women considering running for municipal office in the 2017 municipal elections. The *Ready for Her* guide provides some general information and resources that will help prospective municipal candidates.

Learn more...

### **AAMDC Fall 2013 Resolutions Expiring**

Resolutions that were endorsed at the fall 2013 convention are now expiring. Though expired resolutions no longer form part of the AAMDC's formal active advocacy efforts, all relevant resolutions are considered when issues or consultation opportunities arise.

Learn more...

# AAMDC Board Governance Review Committee Set to Begin

In order to operate effectively and remain accountable to members, the AAMDC has committed to undertaking a review of the association's governance structure every four years. The AAMDC is currently undertaking this review and has finalized the selection of the Board Governance Review Committee.

Learn more...

### **Host an EOEP Course in Your Municipality!**

The Elected Officials Education Program (EOEP), a joint venture of the AAMDC and AUMA, is Alberta's only professional education program designed for municipally elected officials.

In order to become more accessible to elected officials, the EOEP has begun to work with individual or groups of







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# Job Postings

**AAMDC** 

Manager of Client Relations

Municipality of Crowsnest Pass

Manager of Community
Services

Big Lakes County
Information Technology
Technician

County of Grande Prairie

Public Works Project Support

Lead

Athabasca County

Development Officer

Sturgeon County

Capital Project Officer

Corporate Capital Project
Officer

Click <u>here</u> to view all current job postings

### **Announcements**

### Cultivating Connections: February 3-5, 2017

Cultivating Connections will gather people from all areas of Alberta's regional food systems to identify tangible opportunities to collaborate, as well as to inspire initiatives for vibrant regional food systems with improved access to local, nutritious food for all.

Learn more...

## Funding Available – Western Diversification Program

On Wednesday, January 25, 2017, Western Economic Diversification Canada (WD) will be launching the next Western Diversification Program (WDP) Call for Proposals (CFP). Applications will be accepted until Thursday, February 23, 2017. The WDP-CFP is targeted at not-for-profit organizations that are eligible for funding under the WDP, including First Nations, Tribal Councils, Métis and Inuit organizations. WD is seeking applications under the 2017 WDP-CFP that directly support one (or more) of the following WD investment priorities: Clean technology; and/or Indigenous economic growth.

Learn more...

#### Apply before March 1: GMF capital project funding

The next deadline to apply for capital project funding from FCM's Green Municipal Fund (GMF) is **March 1**, **2017**. Funding includes loans combined with grants for energy, transportation, waste and water capital projects through GMF.

Learn more...

# December 15 Deadline to Apply for Funding to Address Methane Emissions in Alberta Fast Approaching

Emissions Reduction Alberta (ERA) is making up to \$40 million CAD in funding available to develop technologies that address methane detection, methane quantification, or reduction of methane emissions in Alberta.

## **Upcoming Events**

**District 5 Meeting**January 13, 2017

**District 3 Meeting** January 16, 2017



# Electronic Voting Device Return

If you're still in possession of an electronic voting device from the AAMDC Convention, please have them delivered to the following address:

AAMDC 2510 Sparrow Drive Nisku, AB T9E 8N5

## Reminders

### MGA Emergent Issues Discussion Guide

The Government of Alberta's deadline for feedback on the "Continuing the Conversation" discussion guide is January 31, 2017; however, to ensure the AAMDC has an accurate representation of our members' views on the issues, the AAMDC asks that, in addition to sending your comments to the Government of Alberta, that you also send a copy to AAMDC Policy Analyst Matt Dow at <a href="matt.dow@aamdc.com">matt.dow@aamdc.com</a>. This will inform the AAMDC positions and submissions on these emergent and technical issues. The AAMDC Board of Directors will be discussing this item at the December and January board meetings so, if possible, please provide any comments to the AAMDC by January 13, 2017. The province's deadline for comments is January 31, 2017. Learn more...

### News

- Canada Post should bring back door-to-door delivery, consider email and social network services: panel
- Legalize mail order, storefront pot sales to those 18 and up, says task force
- Task Force on Cannabis Legalization and Regulation presents its advice on a framework for legalization and regulation of access to cannabis
- Billions of litres of raw sewage, untreated waste water pouring into Canadian waterways
- Environment minister reaching out to Albertans
- Regional Leaders Eye Single Governance Model
- PM hails national climate change deal, but without Saskatchewan, Manitoba
- Province moves to cut small towns from divided
   Capital Region Board
- Yedlin: Energy illiteracy alive and well in Canada
- Be prepared for more 'extreme' rainfalls think biblical floods — U.S. climate scientists warn

## **Rural View**



President Al Kemmere in Ottawa.

Share your community on Contact! Email your images to <a href="mailto:aamdc@aamdc.com">aamdc@aamdc.com</a>.

## Local Links

December 16, 2016
Winter Lights Festival
Lethbridge

Want to have your link featured in **Local Link?**<u>Let us know</u>.

# Did You Know?

Northern Lights are viewable most clear winter nights from Fort McMurray.

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