



October 18, 2010

## **News:**

### **SUMA Bylaw Review Committee seeking input from members**

The Bylaw review committee is seeking recommendations to improve the governance of the Association. The Committee will be meeting in early November. Current items on the committee's agenda include: Executive Committee Election Cycle (to reflect new municipal term of office) and Resolutions Process. Suggestions should be forwarded to [SUMA@suma.org](mailto:SUMA@suma.org) no later than November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010. The committee is expected to report to the SUMA Board meeting on December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2010. Any proposed amendment would be considered by the membership at the 2011 Annual General Meeting (2011 Convention in Saskatoon).

### **Free webinar – Carbon Neutral Local Governments**

Funded through FCM's Green Municipal Fund, the free webinar "Carbon Neutral Governments – Spotlight on British Columbia" aims to help municipalities across Canada understand the benefits of carbon neutrality and the emissions management strategies that can help them get there. Scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 28 from 10 a.m. through 11:30 a.m., the webinar is an interactive, web-based workshop to inform and inspire you from the comfort of your home or office. No travel, no cost, no reason to miss out! Click [here](#) to register for this online workshop or contact [registrar@toolsofchange.com](mailto:registrar@toolsofchange.com).

### **Regional Meeting reminder – plan to attend!**

SUMA would like to remind members to attend the upcoming fall round of regional meetings. For more information on dates and locations, and agenda items, please visit the [SUMA website](#).

### **More nurses for Saskatchewan**

As part of its commitment to increase the province's nursing contingent, the Ministry of Advanced Education, Employment and Immigration and the Ministry of Health recently announced the addition of 170 registered nursing training seats for Saskatchewan nursing students. Beginning in 2011-2012, the University of Saskatchewan and the University of Regina, in collaboration with SIAST, will both grant nursing degrees. To learn more, go [here](#).

### **SaskTel continues to add 3G+ coverage to Saskatchewan municipalities**

Construction of the 3G+ network across the province continues, with 33 more locations being added last week, and 25 earlier in October. For a list of the most recently added communities, visit [this page](#).

## **Grant of the Week:**

### **Creative Partnerships Program**

Creative Partnerships gives communities, businesses, schools and other organizations a range of opportunities to partner with artists and tap the creativity of the province. Intended to foster innovative opportunities to benefit the people of Saskatchewan, this grant supports artists-in-the-community experiences. The program provides for grant support through two components: the Partnership Explorations Program and the Partnership Innovations Program.

Partnership Explorations grants assist communities that wish to explore opportunities for arts and cultural development in partnership with a professional artist in any discipline. A Partnership Explorations grant is a planning grant. Success with an Explorations grant may lead to an application for a Partnership

Innovations grant which replaces the former Artist in Residence Grant Program. However that is just one opportunity that may be deemed beneficial to a community in its development planning.

Deadline: The application deadline for the Innovations program is May 15 and the deadline for the Explorations program is November 15, 2010.

Visit the webpage [here](#) for more information.

For more funding opportunities, please check out the grant section of SUMA's webpage by clicking here.

### **Upcoming Events:**

**Building Capacity, Building Communities**  
**November 17-19**  
**Saskatoon, SK**

The Saskatoon Housing Initiatives Partnership is proud to present *Building Capacity, Building Communities: Homegrown Housing Solutions for Saskatchewan*, a provincial housing conference. This event will be held November 17 - 19, 2010 in Saskatoon and will feature guest speakers that will address a wide range of topics related to responsible community growth and development through affordable and entry-level housing initiatives. The registration package can be found [here](#) and the agenda [here](#).

For more events, visit the [SUMA Urban Update Events](#) page.  
For more SUMA events, visit the [SUMA events calendar](#).

### **Classifieds:**

#### Positions Available:

- Village of Abernethy: Village Maintenance/Water Plant Operator – October 15, 2010
- Village of Spy Hill: Administrator – October 18, 2010
- City of Melfort: Facilities Manager – October 22, 2010
- Town of Strasbourg: Utility Maintenance Operator – October 26, 2010
- Town of Gravelbourg: Community Economic Development Officer – October 29, 2010
- RM of Cote: Administrator – When filled
- City of Estevan – Parks Manager – When filled
- Town of Black Diamond: Public Works Equipment Operator II – When filled
- Town of Kindersley: Water Treatment Plant Manager – When filled

#### For Sale:

- 3-Ton Truck c/w compactor, Street Sweeper, John Deere Mower – October 16, 2010
- 1978 Champion 740 Grader – When sold



# Fall Regional Meeting Highlights

An excellent opportunity to hear the latest developments on a number of major policy issues and to ask questions and give your ideas and feedback.

**2010 Fall  
Regional Meeting  
Date & Location:**

**CENTRAL  
REGION**

**Tues. – Nov 9/10**

**Recreation Hall  
222 Diamond Place  
Pilot Butte, SK**

**Registration Fee:  
\$25.00**

**(Includes lunch and  
refreshment breaks)**

**Please register by the  
deadline date of:  
Nov 5/10**

**Mail completed  
form to:**

**SUMA Central Region  
Town of Wynyard  
Box 220  
Wynyard, SK  
S0A 4T0  
Fax: (306) 554-3224**

**Regional Director:  
Mayor Sharon Armstrong  
Tel: (306) 554-2123**



## AGENDA FOR FALL CENTRAL REGION – Pilot Butte, SK

- 8:45 Registration
- 9:15 CALL TO ORDER: REGIONAL DIRECTOR SHARON ARMSTRONG
  - O Canada
  - Greetings – Town of Pilot Butte Mayor Sid Bowles  
- SUMA President Allan Earle
  - Introductions
- 9:30 Multimedia Recycling Program (MMRP)
- 9:35 Presentation on Recycling – Sask Waste Reduction Council
- 10:15 Refreshment Break
- 10:30 SUMA Presentations – Strategic Plan Update, Advocacy Work Up Date, Constant Contact – New Communications Tool
- 11:00 Lionel LaBelle – Sask Trade and Export Partnership (STEP)
- 11:45 Lunch Break
- 12:30 SUMA Presentations – SUMA Advantage Update & Convention Reminder, GeoSpatial, Municipal Awards and MLDP Program Updates
- 1:00 Sector Meetings
- 1:30 Plenary Business Meeting and Resolutions
  - Approval of Agenda
  - Minutes of June 14, 2010
  - Reports – Financial, Chair & Sector Meetings
  - Old Business/New Business
- 2:45 Adjourn

## Registration Form SUMA Central Region

Name(s) of Attendees:

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Municipality: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make cheque payable to: SUMA Central Region