Alberta Municipalities Strength In Members

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2024

THE **Daily**



So many education sessions, so little time.

Yesterday's 10 breakout sessions covered a wide assortment of topics. Alberta Municipalities' goal was to deliver sessions that were topical and useful to you, our valued members.

The Water Wisdom: Local contexts & conservation strategies session provided delegates with an overview of ABmunis' updated water conservation policy and then looked at some innovative strategies being implemented by communities to manage water resources in diverse climates with aging infrastructure.

The session on **respectful behaviour in public engagements** provided delegates with practical tips from local elected officials who discuss issues with residents using social media. The Alberta Ombudsman also offered some tips on procedural fairness and how to respond to residents who make a habit of questioning your municipality's decisions.

The session on **building housing to support communities and improve affordability** discussed how, despite record-setting housing starts, supply is not keeping up with Alberta's rapid population growth. The panel discussed what is or can be done in communities across Alberta to address the challenge and ensure municipalities remain affordable places for people to live.

The session on **intermunicipal collaboration** featured a panel of senior representatives from the City and County of Red Deer. The mayors and CAOs shared how they overcame historical tensions through hard work and lots of communication. Residents of both municipalities now benefit from intermunicipal services that will pay dividends well into the future.

We thank everyone who led a session yesterday. Thank you for sharing your knowledge, insights and experiences with us! \blacksquare



We love municipalities. And we love sharing what makes each one special.

What sets your community apart: Vibrant community spirit? A special event? An iconic landmark? A remarkable individual?

Scan the QR code and start sharing. Your story will be showcased on our WE ♥ MUNIS page and on-screen in Exhibition Hall.

Post on Facebook, X (Twitter), or Instagram with #weheartmunis or #welovemunis to join the conversation!

Daily Schedule

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Registration

7:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. Hot Buffet Breakfast PRAIRIE PAVILION

8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Trade Show & Prize Draws © PARKLAND PAVILION

10:05 a.m. Morning Announcements

10:10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Resolutions Part 1 © EXHIBITION HALL

11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Premier's Remarks [©] EXHIBITION HALL

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. Lunch

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12:35 a.m. – 12:50 p.m. ABmunis Award Celebration © EXHIBITION HALL

1:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m. Breakout Sessions

Unpacking EPR: Challenges, Progress, and Next Steps for Waste Management 9 SALON A

Villages and Summer Villages: Innovation in Conversation 9 SALON B

Making the Case: Enhancing Mental Health Supports for Municipal Officials

2 FRONTIER

Cities Gameshow: The Most Mid-Sized Show on Earth

9 HEARTLAND (HARVEST CENTRE)

Towns: Communicating in Times of Trouble © MARQUIS (HARVEST CENTRE)

2:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. Opposition Leader Remarks © EXHIBITION HALL

2:45 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Resolutions Part 2 © EXHIBITION HALL

4:30 p.m. – 4:45 p.m. Municipal Affairs Remarks © EXHIBITION HALL

4:45 p.m. – 6:15 p.m. Municipal Affairs Reception © NEERALTA PAVILION

After 6:00 p.m. Sponsors' Networking Events 2 RED DEER RESORT AND CASINO

7:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. City of Red Deer Reception © RED DEER RESORT AND CASINO



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR Award Recipients

On Tuesday, September 24, we honored our award recipients during the President's Dinner and awards ceremony. Today, they will be celebrated once again during the lunch hour in Exhibition Hall. Join us in congratulating them!

Alberta Municipalities & SLGM Dedicated Senior Team Award: This award recognizes an outstanding municipal team that demonstrates service excellence and dedication to municipal government. This year's recipient is:

Town of Rocky Mountain House

Alberta Municipalities & SLGM Dedicated CAO Award:

This award recognizes a CAO for long-term excellence and dedication to both municipal government and chief administrative management. This year's recipient is:

Thomas Goulden, CAO, Town of Stony Plain

Alberta Municipalities Award of Excellence: The Award of Excellence acknowledges outstanding civic leadership by either past or present municipal elected officials who have held office for at least four years in Alberta. This year's winners are:

- Anna Underwood, Town of Wembley
- Donna Buchinski, Town of Falher
- Ralph Leriger, Town of Westlock

Alberta Municipalities Distinguished Service Award:

Presented to elected officials of Alberta's municipalities who have served 20 or more years on municipal council, this year's recipients are:

- Annabelle Wiseman, Summer Village of Jarvis Bay
- Barry Kletke, Town of Trochu
- Brian Waterhouse, Summer Village of Sundance Beach
- Craig Copeland, City of Cold Lake
- Mark Stannard, Town of Coronation
- Paul Webb, Town of Bowden
- Robb Stuart, Town of Bowden
- Robert Dumanowski, City of Medicine Hat
- Sandi Benford, Summer Village of South View
- Wayne Milaney, Town of Bowden

Life Membership Award: This award recognizes individuals for their extraordinary contributions to Alberta Municipalities over an extended period. This year's recipient is:

Ron Helmhold



This year, Converwill run from part Westerner Park. Will also be availand to the Red Casino for evenir Shuttle schedulen in the lobby of all hotels, and on the App. Please referent two sources for the date schedule, on

THURSDAY: NETWORKING EVENT INFORMATION

Visit tonight's networking events, hosted by our sponsors.

Host:	Location:	Times:
Brownlee	Red Deer Resort and Casino	6:00 p.m. – 10:30 p.m.
City of Red Deer Reception	Red Deer Resort and Casino	7:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.
Alberta Counsel	Red Deer Resort and Casino	7:00 p.m 11:00 p.m.



CONVENTION TRANSPORTATION

This year, Convention shuttles will run from partnering hotels to Westerner Park. Shuttle service will also be available from the hotels to the Red Deer Resort and Casino for evening events.

Shuttle schedules are available in the lobby of all partnering hotels, and on the Convention App. Please refer to one of these two sources for the most up-todate schedule, or talk to one of our staff at Registration for more details.

Please note, the last shuttles back to the hotels will depart the Red Deer Resort and Casino at 12:00 a.m. on both Wednesday and Thursday night.

Win a trip!

Visit booths 211-217 to find out how.

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