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AMCTO Zone 7

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Board News

The latest updates

Spring is in the air. At least it is today when I look outside the office and see sun and the snow banks melting. And then the phone starts ringing and I wish we didn't have sidewalks, culverts or catch basins. If only we had enough funds to buy every resident and visitor rubber boots. I know you understand.

Then, I focus on the screen again and have lots to do. The AMCTO Board has been busy and I am excited about the new Strategic Plan and seeing how membership helps implement it. I was part of the working group and certainly everyone contributed to represent all views.

The Membership Survey also went out and is currently being reviewed to be reported on later this year. The previous one was reviewed last year and overall members are happy with AMCTO but work needs to be done to show new professionals the benefits of joining AMCTO. How has AMCTO made an impact on your municipal life? Is it networking? Education offering? Summarizing new legislation? Please do share.



2020 - 2022 Zone 7 Executive

Representative to the Board: Nicky Kunkel
Chair: Kathryn Scott
Vice Chair: Natalie Bray
Past Chair: Nicky Kunkel
Secretary Treasurer: Kris Croskery-Hodgins
Zone Directors:
Candy Beauvais
Craig Davidson, AMCT
Nicole Gourlay
Peggy Greco
Kimberly Sloss, AMCT
Carol Trainer, AMCT
Vicky Goertzen-Cooke



It's spring! Elections and budgets and Zone 7 meeting time.

Spring Zone Meeting

April 7, 2022 being held by Zoom

The Executive has been busy planning the spring meeting. We've considered a hybrid meeting again and ruled against it as it is audit, budget season and well not everyone is comfortable meeting in person yet. We waited to see what the rules were going to be but knew we needed a meeting in April before Nomination Day so we could refresh our minds before the election period started.

The start of the meeting will be our agencies with updates. MMAH will also speak about Elections. President Sandra MacDonald and Vice President Elana Arthurs will be attending along with Executive Director, David Arbuckle, for the AMCTO updates.

The afternoon sessions will focus on roundtable discussions and panels regarding the questions we've heard the most. However, we know there are more questions out there. PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR QUESTIONS to Zone7AMCTO@gmail.com.

The first Panel will discuss Municipal Elections. Staff experiences will help answer questions. We are all confused about third party advertising, and many other procedures.

The second panel will answer questions about hybrid meetings. We know they are here to stay so what are the best practices, what has worked, what hasn't, and how do we keep them safe and appropriate for all attendees?

Elections are also upon us for this meeting. There are openings on the Executive team. Congratulations to Kimberly Sloss and Peggy Greco who are retiring.

We need a Secretary/Treasurer as Kris Croskery-Hodgins has resigned this post. She is willing to train and may continue as Treasurer if needed but we need a new Secretary to begin for our Fall meeting. Please connect with Kris at the Township of Nipissing for more information on what the position requires for time commitments. We know everyone is busy so thank you for considering.

Secretary Treasurer position

Zone 7 is seeking an individual to fill this position. It provides experience in minute taking, decision making, event planning and working as part of a team. Contact Kris at the Township of Nipissing 705-724-2144 for more details.

Send us questions

Elections and Hybrid meetings are round table discussions in the afternoon - get your questions answered.

Email:

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Fall Meeting - Location

We are excited that in the fall we can meet in person. That means we are looking for a host community. Do you know of a motel/lodge/resort that can accommodate 50-60 people with meeting rooms in your area? Let us know at the spring meeting. Please start thinking of dates as municipal elections are in the fall - do you want before or after?

