# **EXECUTIVE MINUTES**

Urban Municipal Administrators' Association of Saskatchewan

Verdi Room – Delta Regina – Regina, SK 7:30 p.m. – Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015

PRESENT President: - Rodney Audette
Vice President: - Jason Chorneyko

Directors: – Joni Mack, Kim Gartner, Aileen Garrett,

Ronda Heisler, Therese Chartier, Nicole

Lerat, Chris Costley

Executive Director: - Rick Dolezsar

Ministry of Gov't Relations:

- Keith Comstock, Assistant Deputy Minister

- Sheldon Greene, Executive Director

SUMA: - Sean McEachern,

Director Policy & Communications

- Steven Dribnenki, Policy & Legal Advisor

### CALL TO ORDER

President Rodney Audette called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

#### **DISCUSSION TOPICS:**

- Alternative Model for Compliance with Building and Accessibility Standards
  - General disapproval of proposal from UMAAS and SUMA representatives.
- 2) Employee Code of Conduct and Updated Council Declarations and Procedural Bylaws new proposals put forward.
  - Model Code of Ethics & Declaration of Office for Council yet to be consulted on.
  - Additional steps relating to protection of "whistle blower" in terms of administration bringing Council issues to task has to be addressed.
- 3) Boundary Alterations Principles
  - Intent is well designed and has good content.
  - However not totally prescriptive.
  - Guideline principles only.
- 4) Future of Municipal Structures
  - Existing non-compliance issues.
  - Municipal Districts legislation already in place.
  - Need for funding incentives to encourage restructuring was suggested by UMAAS.
  - Critical mass/size are key to promoting CAO profession and attracting new qualified and competent people.
- 5) Infrastructure Funding
  - Waiting for word from new Federal Government
  - Would like to issue more approvals prior to provincial election call.
  - Original approvals represented approximately 6% of ten year fund hopefully more before provincial election call.
- 6) SUMA Issues
  - Recycling programs update.
  - SGI/Fire Dept. accident response rates
  - Formal consultation protocol with Government of Saskatchewan desired
  - Essential Services legislation effects on municipalities.

#### **EXTENDED APPRECIATION**

President Audette extended appreciation from UMAAS for attendance and open dialogue between all groups and SUMA and Government Relations representatives reciprocated.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m

President		
Executive D	irector	