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**Alberta Rural Municipal Administrators’ Association**

**KEEP CALM …… LEAD ON**

**2017 Annual Conference**

**Best Western Plus Hotel & Casino**

**CAMROSE**

**September 6 – 8, 2017**

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**Alberta Rural Municipal Administrators’ Association**

**September 06, 2017**

**Golf Tournament**

There will be bus transportation to and from the Golf Course from both the Best Western Plus Hotel & Casino and the Canalta. Pick up times will be posted in the hotel lobbies the evening of September 5th.

**Social Evening**

We will be hosting a Social Evening at the Best Western Plus Hotel & Casino from 6:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. the evening of September 6th. Registration for the Conference will take place at this time as well. Come and join your colleagues for refreshments and snacks.

**Hospitality Room**

ARMAA will host a Hospitality Room at the Best Western Plus Hotel & Casino September 5, 6, and 7th . Details will be posted in the Best Western Lobby

**Transportation from the Canalta**

**Please note that ARMAA is not providing transportation from the Canalta to the Best Western.**

**Breakfast**

**Breakfast will be served at the Golf Course on September 6th and each morning of the Conference at the Best Western. This is included in the Registration and you do not require the Hotel Coupon.**



**Alberta Rural Municipal Administrators’ Association**

**September 07, 2017**

**Conference Theme: “ KEEP CALM … LEAD ON”**

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Registration & Breakfast

# Session Chair President Rod Hawken

8:30 – 9:00 a.m. Conference Opening

 In Memory of: Gary Popowich

Greetings - Alberta Municipal Affairs

Greetings – Reeve Don Gregorwich Camrose County

 Greetings - Mayor - City of Camrose

**Introduction of Fraternal Delegates**

Fraternal Delegate - Saskatchewan – Guy Langrandeur

Fraternal Delegate - Manitoba - Dale Toews

Fraternal Delegate - B.C.

SLGM –

LGAA – Michelle White

**Session Chair: Al Hoggan , Director Zone 2**

9:00 – 9:30 a.m. AAMDC –

9:30 – 10:00 a.m. Reynolds Mirth Richards & FarmerLLP –

 Bill 17 – The Fair & Family Friendly Workplaces Act

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**Alberta Rural Municipal Administrators’ Association**

**September 07, 2017**

10:00 – 10:30 a.m. Coffee Break

10:30 – 12:00Keynote Speaker – Paul Huschilt

12:00 – 1:00 p.m. Lunch

**Session Chair Luc Mercier, Director Zone 3**

1:00 pm – 2:30 p.m.

Discussions with Deputy Ministers

 Municipal Affairs, Transportation and Solicitor General

2:30 pm – 2:45 pm Coffee

2:45 pm – 3:15 p.m. Brownlee LLP - Medical Marijuana & The Work Place

 Colin Fetter

3:15 pm – 3:45 p.m. Brian Austrom – ICF Process

**Session Chair President Rod Hawken**

3:45 pm – 4:00 p.m. Business Meeting – Nominations & Elections

 Nominations for President

 Nominations for Vice President

 District Meetings

* Nominations & Election of Directors for:

 Districts : 2 & 4



**Alberta Rural Municipal Administrators’ Association**

**September 07, 2017**

6:00 – 6:30 p.m. Cash Bar

6:30 pm - Banquet

**Sponsored by Reynolds Mirth Richards & Farmer LLP**

Member reports from Fraternal Conferences

 Introduction of Interns

 Introductions of Fraternal Delegates

Presentations to New Members

Presentations to Retiring Members



**Alberta Rural Municipal Administrators’ Association**

**September 08, 2017**

**7:30 a.m.** Breakfast –

**Session Chair Vice President Cindy Vizzutti**

8:30 am –11:00 am Municipal Affairs

**Session Chair President Rod Hawken**

11:00 am – 11:30 am **Annual General Meeting**

Adoption of Minutes:

September Business Meeting

September Annual General Meeting

Financial Report December 31, 2016

(Hand out at the Conference)

President’s Report – Rod Hawken

Municipal Health & Safety Association

**New Business & Discussions**

Location of 2018 Conference – Zone One

**Election Results**

 Results of District Elections

 **Adjournment**

**CONFERENCE NOTES**

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| Financial Statements of |
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| **ALBERTA RURAL MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATORS ASSOCIATION**  |
| *December 31, 2016* |
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| **REVIEW REPORT** |
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| In accordance with the Alberta Rural Municipal Administrators Association (ARMAA) Constitution and Bylaws, we have reviewed the financial statements as at December 31, 2016. |
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| In our opinion, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the association. |
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| *Cheryl McRae* |  |  |  | *Mike Morton* |  |  |
| *ARMAA Member* |  |  |  | *ARMAA Member* |  |  |
| *County of Two Hills* |  |  |  | *Kneehill County* |  |  |
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| **Alberta Rural Municipal Administrators' Association** |  |  |  |
| **Income Statement** |  |  |  |
| **December 31, 2016** |   |   |   |
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|  |  | **2016** |  | **2015** |
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| **REVENUE** |  |  |  |  |
|  | Grants |  $ 10,000  |  |  $ 5,000  |
|  | Career marketing strategy |  -  |  |  -  |
|  | Membership fees |  20,650  |  |  21,225  |
|  | Conference fees |  11,963  |  |  35,230  |
|  | Conference donations |  29,250  |  |  20,040  |
|  | Golf fees |  4,875  |  |  5,975  |
|  | Golf donations |  17,630  |  |  21,619  |
|  | Interest and dividends |  312  |  |  370  |
|  | Miscellaneous |  800  |  |  2,450  |
|  |  |  **95,479**  |   |  **111,909**  |
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| **EXPENSES** |  |  |  |
|  | Annual conference |  33,990  |  |  30,595  |
|  | Golf tournament |  21,314  |  |  20,271  |
|  | Special projects |  5,003  |  |  1,366  |
|  | Executive committee  |  -  |  |  11,155  |
|  | Management expense |  16,200  |  |  16,800  |
|  | Meetings and conferences |  7,452  |  |  -  |
|  | Insurance |  694  |  |  890  |
|  | Audit |  -  |  |  -  |
|  | Bank charges & interest |  -  |  |  -  |
|  | Bad debts expense |  -  |  |  -  |
|  | Stationary & supplies |  332  |  |  1,659  |
|  | Telephone, postage & miscellaneous |  4,370  |  |  192  |
|  | Deferred expense |  -  |  |  -  |
|  | Charitable Donation |  -  |  |  -  |
|  |  |  **89,354**  |   |  **82,926**  |
|  |  | **6,126** |   | **28,983** |

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| **Alberta Rural Municipal Administrators' Association** |  |  |  |  |
| **Balance Sheet** |  |  |  |  |
| **December 31, 2016** |   |   |   |  |
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|  |  | **2016** |  | **2015** |  |
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| **ASSETS** |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Cash |  $ 136,570  |  |  $ 126,668  |  |
|  | Accounts receivable | 2,350 |  | 5,700 |  |
|  | Prepaid expenses | 639 |  | 1,066 |  |
|  |  | **139,559** |  | **133,434** |  |
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| **LIABILITIES** |  |  |  |  |
|  | Accounts payable | 0 |  | 0 |  |
|   | Deferred revenue | 0 |  | 0 |  |
|   |   | 0 |   | 0 |  |
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| **EQUITY** |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Beginning balance | 133,434 |  | 104,451 |  |
|  | Prior Period Adjustment | 0 |  | 0 |  |
|  | Surplus/(deficit) | 6,126 |  | 28,983 |  |
|   | Ending balance | 139,559 |   | 133,434 |  |
|  |  | **139,559** |  | **133,434** |  |

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| **Alberta Rural Municipal Administrators' Association** |  |  |  |  |
| **Statement of Changes in Financial Position** |  |  |  |  |
| **December 31, 2016** |   |   |   |  |
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|  |  | **2016** |  | **2015** |  |
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| **Cash from operations:** |  |  |  |  |
|  | Net income |  $ 6,126  |  |  $ 28,983  |  |
|  | (Increase)/decrease in accounts receivable | 3,350 |  | -582 |  |
|  | (Increase)/decrease in prepaid expense | 426 |  | -289 |  |
|  | Increase/(decrease) in accounts payable | 0 |  | -932 |  |
|  | Increase/(decrease) in deferred revenue | 0 |  | 0 |  |
|  | Increase/(decrease) in prior period revenue | 0 |  | 0 |  |
|  |  | **9,902** |   | **27,179** |  |
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| **Cash at beginning of year** | **126,668** |   | **99,489** |  |
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| **Cash at end of year** | **136,570** |   | **126,668** |  |
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| **Increase (Decrease) in cash account** | **9,902** |   | **27,179** |  |

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| **Alberta Rural Municipal Administrators' Association** |
| **Notes to the Financial Statements** |
| **December 31, 2016** |
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| **Scope of Operations** |
| The Alberta Rural Municipal Administrators Association was founded in 1922 as a fraternal organization which brings the senior administrative staff of Alberta's rural municipalities for the purpose of improving the profession service delivery to all Albertans. Objects of the association include working with other organizations to the betterment of all branches of municipal government; protecting the interests of councils of Alberta's rural municipalities; mutual assistance amongst members in resolving issues arising from legislation; promoting professionalism, educational standards, and professional development; and obtaining recognition of the importance and responsibility of rural municipal administrators. The association is exempt from income tax. |
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| **Basis of Accounting** |
| The financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Expenses are recognized as they are incurred and are measurable based on the receipt of goods or services and/or the legal obligation to pay. Revenues are accounted for in the period in which the transactions or events that gave rise to the revenues. |
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| **Prepaid expenses** |
| Prepaid expenses represent insurance and the deposits provided to secure conference and related facilities. |

**ALBERTA RURAL MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATORS ASSOCIATION**

**BUSINESS MEETING**

**SEPTEMBER 08, 2016**

The Business meeting was called to order at 3:45 p.m. on September 08, 2016 at the Pomeroy Hotel & Conference Centre, Grande Prairie, Alberta.

President Rod Hawken outlined sections of the ARMAA Bylaw as it pertained to the Election of Officers. The required 25% of the membership was present for the meeting.

**ZONE DIRECTOR ELECTIONS**

Rod Hawken announced that Zone Meetings will be held for elections in Zones 1, 3 and 5.

The Business Meeting was adjourned at 3:47 p.m.

**Alberta Rural Municipal Administrators’ Association**

**Annual General Meeting**

**September 09, 2016**

The Annual General Meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. at the Pomeroy Hotel & Conference Centre in Grande Prairie, Alberta. It was noted that a quorum of the membership was in attendance.

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES – Annual General Meeting**

Moved by Frank Coutney that the Minutes of the September 10, 2015 Annual General Meeting be adopted as circulated.

 Carried

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES - Business Meeting**

Moved by Frank Coutney that the Minutes of the September 09, 2015 Business Meeting be approved as circulated.

 Carried

**ADOPTION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

Moved by Leo Ludwig that the Financial Statement for year ending December 31, 2015 be approved, as presented.

 Carried

**PRESIDENTS REPORT**

Rod Hawken gave his report for the year.

Moved by Al Hoggan that the Presidents Report for 2015 be adopted for information.

 Carried

**MUNICIPAL HEALTH AND SAFETY REPORT**

Moved by Terry Hager that the 2016 Municipal Health and Safety Report as submitted by Charlie Cutforth be accepted for information.

 **Carried**

**Alberta Rural Municipal Administrators’ Association**

**Annual General Meeting**

**September 09, 2016**

**ARMAA STRATEGIC PLAN**

Moved by Frank Coutney that the ARMAA Strategic Plan be adopted as presented.

 Carried.

**2017 ARMAA CONFERENCE AND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The 2017 ARMAA Conference & Annual General Meeting will be held September 6 to 8th in Camrose with the golf tournament being held at the Camrose Golf & Country Club

**2016/2017 ARMAA EXECUTIVE**

Rod Hawken President (2015 – 2017)

Cindy Vizzutti Vice President (2015 – 2017)

Director Zone 1 Doug Henderson (2016 – 2018)

Director Zone 2 Al Hoggan (2015 – 2017)

Director Zone 3 Luc Mercier (2016 – 2018)

Director Zone 4 Peter Thomas ( 2015 - 2107)

Director Zone 5 Tyler Lawrason (2016 - 2018)

**Adjournment**

The Annual General Meeting was adjourned at 11:37 a.m.

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President, Rod Hawken Executive Director, I Cooper

**President’s Report – 2017**

***Stay Calm, Lead On*** – what a fitting theme for this years’ conference. Major changes in both the Federal and Provincial governments have required our municipalities to review current and future directions. We are in the midst of a major review of the *Municipal Government Act* (MGA) and nearly 60 regulations that need to follow. The timeline for these amendments remains very aggressive and as such the board and membership have been attending and reviewing many draft versions of the MGA amendments. The Friday session with Municipal Affairs “Regulations, the devil is in the details” will give members the opportunity to not only provide input to their development, but also to hear of experiences from all of our areas.

Your members have been very busy this year with the Municipal Sustainability Strategy (MSS) Viability reviews. At the time of writing this report there were 14 reviews begin undertaken. The Minister has put a moratorium on meetings until after the 2017 election.

There are a number of other committees that your executive and members have been appointed to. Thank you to all who have volunteered your time to help with the committee work.

The 5 year strategic plan was reviewed and passed at the 2016 annual meeting. Attached to my report is a scorecard relating to the plan to ensure the Vision, Goals and Strategies are on track.

A big thank you goes out to anyone who helped with the conference and to Martin Buckley and his golf committee.

I would also like to acknowledge Irene Cooper, Executive Director of your association. Irene has spent countless hours preparing for board meetings, arranging members to attend provincial committee meetings and of course this great conference. Thank you Irene.

To the membership, thank you for allowing me the opportunity to serve as your President for the past 2 years. Since 1922 there have been many great people serve on the executive and I can confidently say that there will be many more in the years to come. Happy 95th ARMAA.

Stay Calm!

Lead On!

Rod Hawken

President