

## **HIGHLIGHTS – PMA Board Meeting & Eastern Regional Meeting held October 15-16, 2009**

### **Board of Directors Meeting**

PMA held its first Board meeting under the direction of President Derrick Bragg. A number of items were discussed but most prevalent were committee structures and assignment of members.

#### *Communications and Public Awareness:*

Blanche Bennett (Chair), Kimberly Reid and Martina Gale.

#### *Professional Development, Practices and Standards:*

Rodney Cumby (Chair), Martina Gale and Blanche Bennett.

#### *Education and Training:*

Derrick Bragg (Chair), Vida Greening and Kimberly Reid.

#### *Finance, Administration, and Alternate Sources of Revenue*

Rodney Cumby (Chair) and Martina Gale

#### *Human Resources/Respectful Workplace:*

Kimberly Reid (Chair), Blanche Bennett and Rodney Cumby.

#### *Convention 2010:*

Derrick Bragg (Co-Chair) and Vida Greening (Co-Chair)

#### *Other External Appointments:*

Trio – Rodney Cumby

Municipal Assessment Agency – Blanche Bennett

MTDC – Derrick Bragg

CCRC – Derrick Bragg

Other Issues:

**Vacant Board Positions**

Dave Strong finished his term with PMA on September 18, having accepted employment outside of the municipal sector. The PMA constitution states that, in light of these events, the existing Vice-President will automatically resume the role of President.

Three Board members were interested in the VP position. However, in order to remain a unified Board, and eliminate any possible conflict that choosing may create, it was a unanimous decision to defer filling the seat until the 2010 AGM.

Marie Pretty, our previous Avalon Director, has also accepted employment outside of the municipal field, leaving the Director's seat vacant. An election process will take place via submitting nominations to the association and candidates will be selected with a mail-in ballot that will be sent to all towns/cities in the Avalon region. The deadline to submit nominations is October 30, and the deadline for mailing in your ballot will be November 13.

**ICSP and PSAB Education Session**

- Approximately 30 people in attendance for the education session.
- Copies of the presentations are available at the PMA office. Please call Krista at 726-6405 and one will be forwarded to you.

**Municipal Infrastructure Lending Program Presentation**

Glenn Furlong, Corporate Representative, CMHC, was also present to provide information to municipalities on a lending program they provide for housing-related infrastructure. Information pertaining to this is also available at the PMA office or by contacting Mr. Furlong at 772-4949 or gfurlong@cmhc.ca.

**Eastern Regional Meeting**

- Membership was informed that Marie Pretty has recently resigned as the PMA Avalon Director and the process that will be conducted for filling this seat.
- A discussion took place around the municipal elections and outcomes.
- Topics around the 2010 Convention were discussed:
  - hospitality suite
  - education topics
  - shirts/jackets

- Membership was also informed that Krista Planke has resumed her position as Administrative Officer with the organization.

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