

26th Annual Municipal Law Seminar

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TIME		AGENDA
8:00 am – 8:45 am	Registration	Registration and Continental Breakfast – Pembina Room, Main Floor
8:45 am – 9:00 am	Welcome	Allan Farmer, Opening Remarks – Pembina Room, Main Floor
9:00 am – 9:30 am	Plenary Session	Representative from the Government of Alberta and opportunity for questions
9:30 am – 9:45 am	Break	Coffee Break – Pembina Room, Main Floor
9:45 am – 10:45 am	Panel Discussion	<p>Update on the "Alberta Land Stewardship Act" Panel Discussion</p> <p>This session will provide an opportunity to learn from individuals who are working with the "Alberta Land Stewardship Act". Speakers will include Assistant Deputy Minister of Sustainable Resource Development Morris Seiferling, and Doug Parrish of the City of Cold Lake. Mr. Parrish was a member of the Advisory Council for the Lower Athabasca Regional Plan and will offer a municipal perspective</p> <p>Panel Chair: Sheila McNaughtan, Q.C.</p>
10:45 am – 12:00 Noon	Binary Sessions	<p>**Select EITHER Session A or Session B** (Note: Sessions A and B are only offered once today)</p> <p><u>Session A – Pembina Room</u></p> <p>When Does a Municipality Have a DUTY TO CONSULT a First Nation, and What Does it Mean! Bill Barclay, Kristel Fournier</p> <p><u>Session B – Rainbow Room, 2nd Level</u></p> <p>Contracts: Moving Beyond the Boilerplate</p> <p>We will review the essential elements necessary to create a binding agreement and what can go wrong. We will explore common "boilerplate" provisions and their applicability in various situations.</p> <p>Nick Parker, Mark Hildebrand, Katharine Williams</p>
12:00 Noon – 1:15 pm	Buffet Lunch	Pembina Room
1:15 pm – 2:30 pm	Concurrent Sessions	<p>**Select two of the three Concurrent Sessions**</p> <p><u>Session C – Rainbow Room, 2nd Level</u></p> <p>Roads - Caution Ahead: Municipal Roles, Responsibilities and Liability Issues</p> <p>A discussion on municipal responsibilities in statute and at common law, and on the treatment of those obligations by the Courts.</p> <p>Cherisse Killick-Dzenick, Paul Greep, Aisling Ryan</p> <p><u>Session D – Bonnie Glen Room, 2nd Level</u></p> <p>The New Assessment Review Boards - One Year Later</p> <p>A brief overview of the MGA amendments and some of the key decisions from the last year.</p> <p>Carol Zukowski, Nayha Acharya, Ian Hanson</p> <p><u>Session E – Turner Valley Room, 2nd Level</u></p> <p>Employment Update - Just Cause, Bullying and Pornography</p> <p>When thinking of terminating an employee for cause, employers want to be sure they can establish the existence of just cause. We will discuss what is and is not just cause, and some of the risks employers need to consider. We will also discuss some specific types of employee misconduct, including bullying, intimidation and pornography in the workplace, and the factors the Court will consider in determining whether or not summary dismissal is justified.</p> <p>Albert Lavergne, Kelsey Becker Brookes, Daina Young</p>
2:30 pm – 2:45 pm	Break	Coffee Break - Pembina Room (Main Floor)
2:45 pm – 4:00 pm	Sessions	Concurrent Sessions - as above
4:00 pm – 4:15 pm	Pembina Room	Bill Barclay – Closing Remarks
4:15 pm	Cellar Lounge	Reception – Lower Level