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### **In This Issue**

- MPAC Board Positions – Call for Expressions of Interest.
- Register for the AMO 2023 Annual General Meeting and Conference.
- Additional accommodations available for AMO 2023.
- June 9 Deadline to Request your Delegation Meetings at AMO 2023.
- Councillor training: Fall dates.
- Navigating Conflict for Elected Officials: June workshop.
- AMO-OFIFC Indigenous Community Awareness: November few spots available.
- Human Rights and Equity Training: November workshop.
- AMO Webinar: Meet the Partners!
- Canoe Vendor Spotlight: WESCO.
- Important TSSA Advisory for Ontario's Ice Rink Owners.
- Careers: Durham, Niagara, and Simcoe.

### **AMO Matters**

AMO has issued a call for expression of interests for building the AMO 2024 list of nominees. [Applications are due June 30.](#)

### **Eye on Events**

AMO is excited about this year's Conference hosted by the City of London at RBC Place London and DoubleTree by Hilton, August 20-23. [View the preliminary program](#) and [register](#) now for this important event.

AMO continues to work to meet your accommodation needs for the 2023 Conference. 65 additional rooms are now available at the Ivey Spencer Leadership Centre. Make your reservation [here](#).

Delegation meetings are a unique opportunity to meet with provincial ministers and staff on matters of local interest. The request for delegations through MMAH is opened until June 9, 2023. To request a delegation meeting, click [here](#).

Secure your spot in AMO's iconic councillor training this fall. This training provides councillors in all stages of their careers information, insights, and the necessary tools to be an effective local leader. [Register today](#).

AMO has designed its training to support members in your leadership roles. Our training offers skills to navigate the many relationships you encounter as an elected official. [Navigating Conflict Relationships for Elected Officials](#) is a top-rated course you shouldn't miss. Register for the June 27-28 training.

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## **LAS**

Canoe keeps growing to serve you better! We're pleased to welcome WESCO as a supplier in our [Facility MRO category](#), offering a range of products including electrical supplies, telecom, security hardware, A/V, and energy efficiency solutions. [Contact Sarah](#) to learn more.

## **Municipal Wire\***

The Ontario Recreation Facilities Association (ORFA) shares the following TSSA Advisory for owners/operators of ice rinks. The Advisory reminds senior municipal staff and elected officials of their legal obligations under the Operating Engineers Regulation. [Read all about it here](#).

## **Careers**

[Manager, Waste Technical Services - Regional Municipality of Durham](#). Supervise and implement daily activities related to waste management facilities including processing contracts, waste management facility operations, policy development and communications. [Apply online](#) by June 21.

[Deputy Chief Administrative Officer - Niagara Region](#). Provides a high level of strategic leadership in the facilitation and delivery of a portfolio of programs and services focused on delivering and fulfilling legislative duties, government stakeholder relations and strategic communications for the Niagara Region. Apply to [arthur@wmc.on.ca](mailto:arthur@wmc.on.ca) by July 7.

IPAC Specialist - County of Simcoe. Responsible for providing oversight and leadership to the infection, prevention and control (IPAC) program for the LTC Homes and Seniors community programs. Apply online by June 17.

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# 2023 Awards Program

June 15, 2023

## AMCTO 2022-2023 Award Recipients

**Thursday, June 15, 2023 – Mississauga, ON** – The Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO) is proud to announce the recipients of the 2022-2023 AMCTO Awards program. Award recipients were honoured during the 2023 AMCTO Conference Awards Gala Dinner that took place in-person at the Niagara Fallsview Resort & Casino on Tuesday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Joined by family and friends and their municipal peers, participants were recognized for their outstanding achievements.

"This year we are excited to celebrate our 85<sup>th</sup> anniversary and our members and municipal professionals who have supported us in cultivating municipal excellence over the years," said AMCTO Executive Director, David Arbuckle. "The Awards Gala Dinner is our chance to recognize

those who have helped to shape our Association, the sector, and the municipal profession in a positive way. This year's award recipients' dedication to improving their own personal professional development through education, through their zone activities, and by giving back to their communities through the development of innovative projects is inspiring and raises the bar for municipal excellence in Ontario."

In addition to recognition at the AMCTO Awards Gala Dinner, 2023 award recipients will also be recognized in the upcoming edition of the AMCTO *Municipal Monitor*. Recipients' municipal councils are encouraged to share this announcement and celebrate the successes of their staff.

## **2023 Award recipients include:**

### **E.A. Danby Awards**

Named after AMCTO's inaugural President, the E.A. Danby Awards recognize and honour municipalities that have demonstrated outstanding achievement through innovation with respect to municipal management activities or practices. The E.A. Danby Awards focus on the three broad categories of municipal finance, municipal administration and the implementation of legislation, across municipalities of greater than 20,000 residents, and less than 20,000 residents. Recipients of this award have demonstrated tangible results related to the efficiency and effectiveness of the municipal corporation.

#### **Municipalities of 20,000 or more:**

##### **City of Markham**

Category: Municipal Administration

Project: Innovating Democracy - the 2022 Markham Municipal Elections

#### **Municipalities of under 20,000:**

##### **Township of Conmee**

Category: Implementation of Legislation

Project: Aging and Health Seminar series

##### **Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula**

Category: Municipal Administration

Project: Modernization of Digital Records Management System

#### **Certificate of Merit - Municipalities of 20,000 or more:**

##### **County of Frontenac**

Category: Municipal Administration

Project: Lean Implementation Frontenac Team (LIFT) program

### **Town of Ajax**

Category: Municipal Administration

Project: Council Decision Dashboard

### **City of Windsor**

Category: Municipal Administration

Project: CityROVER Pothole Detection and Manhole Inspection Automation

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## **Prestige Award**

AMCTO presents the Prestige Award annually to a current or past AMCTO member who has contributed on an ongoing basis to the activities and objectives of the Association and to other endeavours which raise the profile of municipal professionals in the community. Leading by example, the Prestige Award recipient is someone who has given freely of their time and expertise and who, through their efforts, has enriched AMCTO and the municipal profession.

### **2023 Recipient:**

***Chris Wray, AMCT***

*Chief Administrative Officer, Township of Black River-Matheson*

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## **Zone Awards**

AMCTO Zone Awards recognize at the discretion of each AMCTO Zone Executive, the efforts of those who have made significant contributions at a local level towards the success of their respective Zones or to the advancement of the municipal profession.

### **Zone 1**

***Laura Moy, AMCT, Dipl.M.M.***

*Town of Tecumseh (Retired)*

**Zone 3**

**Angela Morgan, CMO, AOMC**

*City of Burlington (Retired)*

**Zone 6**

**Kim Bulmer, AMCT**

*Town of Renfrew (Retired)*

**Zone 9**

**Krista Power**

*Clerk, City of Thunder Bay*

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**Academic Awards**

AMCTO academic awards recognize the academic achievements of students in AMCTO education programs.

**Dr. C Richard Tindal Award for Excellence in Municipal Administration Program (MAP)**

**Krystin Stitt**

*Public Administration Diploma (PAD) Student, Seneca College*

**Award for Excellence in Municipal Accounting & Finance Program (MAFP)**

Sponsored by Watson & Associates Economists Ltd.

**Laura Scott**

*Real Estate Law Clerk, Town of Whitby*

**Award for Excellence in Employment Law & Human Resources (HR)**

Sponsored by Cunningham Swan Lawyers

**Emily Cartlidge**

*Deputy Clerk/Records Management Coordinator, Township of Hamilton*

**Award for Excellence in Municipal Law Program (MLP)**

Sponsored by Thomson Rogers

**Heather Kearney**

**Award for Excellence in Diploma, Municipal Administration**

***Carolyn MacCulloch, Dipl.M.A.***

*Payroll & Benefits Coordinator, United Counties of Stormont Dundas & Glengarry*

**Award for Excellence in Executive Diploma, Municipal Management**

***Tanya N. Daniels, Dipl.M.M.***

*Director of Corporate Services/Clerk, Town of Tillsonburg*

***Kevin Okimi, Dipl.M.M.***

*Director of Parks & Open Space, Town of Halton Hills*

***Sarah White, Dipl.M.M.***

*Manager of Public Services, Scugog Memorial Public Library*

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***“On behalf of the Board, congratulations to all of the 2023 award recipients!”  
- Elana M. Arthurs, CMO, AOMC, 2022-2023 AMCTO Board President***

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**[About the Awards](#)**



AMCTO is committed to promoting and encouraging continuous improvement and the pursuit of excellence in the municipal profession. AMCTO recognizes the achievements of members and other municipal professionals through an annual awards program where dedication, hard work and commitment to the municipal sector, continuous learning and professional development is celebrated.

### **About AMCTO**

The Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO) represents excellence in local government, management and leadership. Over the past 85 years, AMCTO has provided education, accreditation, leadership, and management expertise for Ontario municipal professionals. With 2,200+ members working in municipalities across the province, AMCTO is Ontario's largest association of local government professionals, and the leading professional development organization for municipal professionals.

Known as 'The Municipal Experts', AMCTO offers a breadth of expertise and knowledge through year-round education and professional development programming, and through its members across a range of municipal operation areas and legislative issues. AMCTO is recognized as an influential voice for local government professionals regarding key management and legislative issues affecting the sector.

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- New incentives for your lighting projects!
- Canoe vendor spotlight: Generac.
- Careers: Ministry of Finance, Simcoe, and Elliot Lake.

### **AMO Matters**

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### **Provincial Matters**

Organizations are invited to provide submissions to the [Electrification and Energy Transition Panel](#) via email at [energypanel@ontario.ca](mailto:energypanel@ontario.ca) until June 30 at 5:00 pm. Feedback will inform the Panel's report to the Minister of Energy.

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Are you considering LED upgrades at your municipal facilities? They may qualify for new incentives. IESO's [custom track incentives](#) have returned offering \$0.13/kWh or \$1200/kW in some cases! Contact [Christian Tham](#) to find out how you can take advantage of these through the [LAS Facility Lighting Service](#).

Need back-up power for your buildings? We're pleased to welcome Generac to the [Electrical Energy Power Generation](#) category. Save time and money while keeping your critical facilities operating when you need them. [Contact Sarah](#) to learn more.

### **Careers**

[Assistant Deputy Minister - Ministry of Finance](#). Provide advice on policy, legislation and operational initiatives that support the government's strategic objectives. [Apply online](#) by June 21.

[Policy & Committee Coordinator - County of Simcoe](#). Develop, coordinate, and maintain a corporate policy framework (policies, procedures and work instructions). [Apply online](#) by June 30.

[Planner III - County of Simcoe](#). Assemble and analyse information and prepare recommendations regarding planning and development applications. [Apply online](#) by June 30.

[Chief Administrative Officer - City of Elliot Lake](#). Seeking an innovative leader with great people skills who is able to collaborate, make decisions, communicates well, able to prioritize and manage change. Apply to [la@tdobbie.com](mailto:la@tdobbie.com) by June 30.

[Deputy Treasurer - City of Elliot Lake](#). General management of the Treasury Department, including tax collection, development of the annual corporate budget, financial reporting requirements. Apply to [la@tdobbie.com](mailto:la@tdobbie.com) by June 30.

Chief Building Official - City of Elliot Lake. Responsible for examining plans, building, and plumbing inspections, and issuing permits. Apply to [la@tdobbie.com](mailto:la@tdobbie.com) by June 30.

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June 21, 2023

## Advocacy Update: Strong Mayor Powers Expanding to More Municipalities

Following a meeting with Ontario Big City Mayors this morning, Minister Clark has announced that the Government is expanding “strong mayor powers” to 26 additional municipalities beyond the City of Ottawa and the City of Toronto, **effective July 1, 2023**. This extension would be made by adding municipalities to [O. Reg. 530/22](#) under the *Municipal Act*.

Once the regulation is in effect, a head of council of a listed municipality can choose whether to use these permissive authorities.

The municipalities that will be added to the regulation include:

Town of Ajax  
City of Barrie

City of Markham  
Town of Milton

City of Brampton  
City of Brantford  
City of Burlington  
Town of Caledon  
City of Cambridge  
City of Clarington  
City of Guelph  
City of Hamilton  
City of Kingston  
City of Kitchener  
City of London

City of Mississauga  
City of Niagara Falls  
Town of Oakville  
City of Oshawa  
City of Pickering  
City of Richmond Hill  
City of St. Catharines  
City of Vaughan  
City of Waterloo  
Town of Whitby  
City of Windsor

These 26 additional municipalities are single- or lower-tier municipalities with a population over 100,000 or projected to grow to 100,000 by 2023. These municipalities have also submitted a [housing pledge](#) to the Province.

Of note, during media availability following the announcement, Minister Clark indicated that more municipalities will be receiving a letter inviting them to sign a housing pledge and consideration will be given to adding more municipalities to the regulation.

Minister Clark also confirmed that the additional powers given to these 26 municipalities are the same as what was given to Ottawa and Toronto, and that the Provincial priorities prescribed in [O. Reg. 580/22](#) remained unchanged.

AMCTO has long advised that without providing reasonable timelines to implement Provincially mandated changes to structures, governance or other matters, the Province continues to place undue administrative and operational burden on municipal staff who must implement these initiatives.

In August of 2022, AMCTO presented to the Standing Committee on Heritage, Infrastructure and Cultural Policy regarding Bill 3: *Strong Mayors, Building Homes Act, 2022*. [Our submission](#) expressed concerns about the effective removal of non-partisan local government management professionals, especially the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO), and the impact this could have on the politicization of senior and other local government officials. We also emphasized the additional undue administrative burden this change could have on our members and other municipal staff.

In addition, we also responded to the Government's regulatory proposals regarding prescribed [Provincial priorities](#) related to the *Act*, and [matters that bring Part VI.1](#) of the *Act* into effect. We once again urged the Province to consider how implementation of these changes would work on the ground, including impacts on local governance, operational matters, and already limited municipal finances, resources and staff capacity.

As an Association representing municipal staff, we play an important role in facilitating conversations on the practical considerations regarding the implementation of 'strong mayor' authority. With this in mind, we will continue to work together with Toronto and Ottawa to bring

information and considerations for implementing 'strong mayor powers' to our members and other affected municipalities. Stay tuned for more information on this to come.

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