

MONDAY MEMO



All the NSFM News You Need for the Week

TO: Mayors, Wardens, Councillors and CAOs, All Units

FR: Amy Pugsley Fraser, Communications Advisor

RE: *YOUR MONDAY MEMO SEPTEMBER 23*



- AIM NETWORK WORKSHOP
- Take Part in the Climate Goals Survey
- Fall Debenture Deadline
- NSFM Staff Hit the Road
- Board of Directors Meets

● **AIM NETWORK WORKSHOP**

The **Atlantic Infrastructure Management (AIM) Network** is hosting a workshop this Friday at the Holiday Inn Express Halifax Bedford on Parkland Drive.

The day-long workshop is called Building Asset Management Practices in Nova Scotia.

It's an opportunity for municipal leaders in the province, both politicians and staff, to hear from colleagues and peers on how they've integrated asset management practices into the way they do business.

Look for insight from NSFM members **Councillor Loren Cushing** (District of Yarmouth); **Mayor George Harding** (Lockeport); **Mayor David Devenne** (Mahone Bay); **Mayor Karen Mattatall** (Shelburne); and **Mayor Danny MacGillivray** (Stellarton).

Debbie Nielsen, NSFM's Infrastructure & Sustainability Officer, will also provide an asset management initiatives update.

The workshop will be held 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 27 at the Holiday Inn Express at 980 Parkland Drive., Halifax.

To register, click on <https://www.aimnetwork.ca/event-reg>

● **CLIMATE SURVEY**

With Hurricane Dorian in our rear-view mirrors, here's a chance to influence the province's new climate goals legislation.

The province is working on new legislation called the **Sustainable Prosperity Act**.

The proposed new legislation would replace the Environmental Goals and Sustainable Prosperity Act (EGSPA), which was passed in 2007.

Recently, the Nova Scotia government took the first step towards setting new goals – an online public consultation. Until September 27, you can help shape Nova Scotia’s climate agenda.

<https://novascotia.ca/sustainable-prosperity-act-consultation/>

● **GET YOUR FUNDING DUCKS IN A ROW**

Are you planning to participate in fall debenture issue with Municipal Finance Corporation?

The cutoff to participate is noon, October 25th.

Their quarterly report is included as an attachment to your Monday Memo. Page eight includes information for your municipal unit to participate.

● **RESOLUTIONS SESSIONS**

Your **NSFM staff team** hits the road today for the first of three Resolutions sessions to prepare for the fall conference in Halifax.

NSFM President **Waye Mason**, NSFM CEO **Juanita Spencer**, policy advisor **Will Brooke** and communications advisor **Amy Pugsley Fraser** are in **Port Hawkesbury** from 1-3 p.m. at the Civic Centre, 606 Reeves Street in the Bearhead Room.

On Friday, Sept. 27 the team – including **NSFM Vice President Pam Mood** – will be in **Coldbrook** at the Kings County Municipal Building, 181 Coldbrook Village Park Drive, from 10 a.m.-12 noon in the Orchards/Vineyards Room.

And on Sept. 30 the sessions wrap up in **Truro** at the Holiday Inn Truro, 437 Prince Street, 3-5 p.m. in the Birch/Aspen Room. **Past President Anna Allen** is hoping to attend that meeting.

Are you able to attend a session this week? Please send an email to **Amanda Bell** abell@nsfm.ca to let us know you’ll be there.

- **BOARD MEETING**

Members of your **NSFM Board** met last Thursday for four hours at the Westin Nova Scotia Hotel, and there were 16 items on the agenda.

A summary of the meeting will be circulated to the membership so you can keep up to date on all the decisions made by your board. The next meeting will be held in November right before the annual conference.

Here's a link to your NSFM board of directors: <https://www.nsfm.ca/board-of-directors.html>

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The NSFM office is streamlining communications to you. All our news, notes, messages and reminders will now come in one weekly package.

If you have something to share, please reach out to apugsleyfraser@nsfm.ca for a future Monday Memo publication.

