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Everyone at AMO wishes you, your friends and family, and your community a happy and safe holiday season!

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AMO Matters

AMO President Jamie McGarvey gives listeners a primer on the Association, including updates on advocacy work related to cannabis and double hatters. [Listen now.](#)

The AMO Office will be closed from December 24, 2018 to January 1, 2019 and will re-open on January 2, 2019. The next issue of the WatchFile will be on January 3, 2019.

Eye on Events

Andrea Horwath, Leader of the Official Opposition, and the Ontario NDP Caucus look forward to meeting with municipal representatives during the 2019 ROMA Conference. To arrange a delegation, please send a request to [Ryan Gurcham](#), Office of Andrea Horwath, Leader of the Official Opposition, including attendees, preferred timing, and topics.

As a member of Council what do you need to know? The ABC's of municipal government; limiting your risk; budgeting; planning; impacts of new legislation and much more. Learn what it takes to be an effective team member and a municipal leader at this full day session in 2019. [Space is limited, register today.](#)

The Land Use Planning: Beyond the Basics workshop will reinforce the central role that municipalities play in implementing and managing the land use policy framework. It will include a review of the relevant elements of the *Ontario Planning Act* as well as a run-down of key planning tools and how they are applied in the municipal context. [Register today](#) and receive access to the new Land Use Planning: The Basics online course for free (launching January 2019).

Elected officials live in the spotlight. The rise of social media and decline of local news have changed the communications landscape. This workshop will help you learn how to promote good news, manage issues professionally, and leverage traditional and social media. Most of all, this session will help elected officials communicate effectively and sleep soundly. [Click here](#) for more details and to register.

The 2019 AMO AGM and Annual Conference will be held in Ottawa from August 18 - 21, 2019. AMO has negotiated Conference rates at eight hotels. In order to ensure the booking process goes smoothly

please read the [details in full](#) and make note of all deposit and cancellation policies for the individual properties. Call-in numbers and online reservation links are being posted as they become available. Reservations made before January 9, 2019 will not be honoured.

LAS

Las Blog: 2018 has been a great year for LAS, and we're working hard to continue that momentum in 2019. Read the [LAS Blog](#) for a look back at 2018 from LAS Director Judy Dezell.

Careers

[Capital Asset Coordinator/Analyst - City of Port Colborne](#). Reports to: Capital Asset Supervisor. Please visit Port Colborne [Employment Opportunities](#) for more details. Please apply with resume and cover letter quoting 2018-73 by 4:00 pm on January 4, 2019 to: Human Resources, City of Port Colborne, 66 Charlotte Street, Port Colborne, Ontario L3K 3C8. Email: careers@portcolborne.ca Fax: 905.835.2969.

[Director of Corporate Services/City Treasurer - City of Port Colborne](#). For full details, please see the job description available at [City of Port Colborne](#). To confidentially explore this opportunity, please submit your resume and cover letter by January 25, 2019 and quote 2018-81, to: City of Port Colborne, 66 Charlotte Street, Port Colborne, Ontario L3K 3C8. Attention: Tammy Morden, Human Resources, or by email to: careers@portcolborne.ca, fax: 905.835.2969.

[Chief Administrative Officer - Town of New Tecumseth](#). For a detailed candidate profile and to explore this exciting opportunity in strict confidence, e-mail or call Tim Dobbie Consulting Ltd. at 905.637.0000. To submit resumes email tim@tdobbie.com by January 18th, 2019. We thank all applicants and advise only those to be interviewed will be contacted directly.

[Development Implementation Technologist - Township of Clearview](#). Reports to: Director of Public Works. The preferred candidate must be willing to provide consent for the Township to conduct a criminal background and vulnerable sector check prior to finalizing an employment offer. Interested candidates are invited to forward their resume and covering letter quoting job # 2018-030 to Human Resources by January 11, 2019 to: hr@clearview.ca.

[Municipal Treasurer - Township of Lucan Biddulph](#). Reports to: Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk. A copy of the job description is available on the [Township's website](#). Applicants are invited to submit a cover letter and detailed resume in confidence no later than 4:30 p.m., January 11th, 2019, to: Ronald J. Reymer AMCT, Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk, Township of Lucan Biddulph, P.O. Box 190, Lucan, ON N0M 2J0. Phone: 519.227.4491; Fax: 519.227.4998; Email: rreymer@lucanbiddulph.on.ca.

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