

## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Bruderheim CAO wins prestigious award**

Bruderheim CAO, Patty Podoborzny, is the first woman to be awarded the Technologist of the Year Award with the Association for Science and Engineering Technology of Alberta (ASET). The award showcases an ASET member who has demonstrated an outstanding level of professionalism and excellence in making a significant contribution to technology.

“On behalf of Bruderheim Town Council and staff, I am happy to congratulate Patty for this prestigious accomplishment,” says Bruderheim Mayor, Karl Hauch. “We are very proud of her accomplishments and are privileged to be part of the many contributions she’s made over the years. She is a mentor, an advocate, and a very valuable asset to our community.”

Patty is currently Past President of the Alberta Public Works Association, Director for the Canadian Public Works Association, and Liaison Officer for the Alberta Emergency Management Agency. Her passion for asset and emergency management has motivated her successful career, which is highlighted with many achievements. Recently, she reached out to First Nations communities to offer assistance with infrastructure maintenance training, and connected emergency responders to public works professionals across North America.

“I am honoured to be recognized as Technologist of the Year by over 18,000 of my peers in the Association for Science and Engineering Technology of Alberta,” says Podoborzny. “I am truly blessed to be supported by my employers, the Town of Bruderheim and Strathcona County, who encourage my passion for the power of Public Works.”

“Patty’s passion and dedication is evident in Bruderheim every day,” adds Hauch. “We know her career will continue to bring positive impacts everywhere she goes.”

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