

## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Bruderheim CAO Elected President Elect of Canadian Public Works Association**

At the American Public Works Conference in Seattle, Washington on September 9th, Bruderheim CAO Patty Podoborozny was elected as President Elect for the Canadian Public Works Association (CPWA). Patty will serve as President from September 2020 to September 2021.

Patty has been on the CPWA National Board of Directors for two years and is currently Past President of the Alberta Chapter of the CPWA. She has served on the Alberta Board for twenty years, holding various roles, including Liaison Officer for the Alberta Emergency Management Agency. She continues to advocate in Alberta for the power of public works through her work with asset management and breaking down barriers between First Nations and local government agencies.

“On behalf of Bruderheim Town Council and staff, I am thrilled to congratulate Patty for another incredible accomplishment,” says Bruderheim Mayor, Karl Hauch. Patty also recently became the first woman to be awarded the Technologist of the Year Award with the Association for Science and Engineering Technology of Alberta (ASET). “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 will advance her passion for public works at the national level with this role. “I am thankful for the opportunity to support our CPWA members across Canada and raise awareness of the public works profession to all levels of government,” says Patty. The CPWA Board of Directors advocates for public works at the federal level and promotes infrastructure as one of the economic drivers for the nation. The Board identifies public policy and advocacy issues, works in collaboration with other stakeholders to highlight issues of mutual concern, and builds relationships with government agencies and Parliament to provide input on policies and programs affecting public works.

“Patty has been CAO for the Town of Bruderheim for nearly five years, and she is well respected among her peers within municipal government,” adds Mayor Hauch. “The Town is blessed to have her as our CAO. We appreciate her passion and efforts tremendously and expect that she will continue to achieve the very best.”

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