45th Annual Municipal Institute

Clerks, Treasurers, Finance Officers | May 4–8, 2025

Fairmont Hot Springs, 1500 Fairmont Rd, Anaconda, MT 59711

Sunday – May 4			
9:00 – 3:30	ATHENIAN DIALOGUE Location: Sapphire Register: https://www.montana.edu/extension/localgov/newsandevents/2024- institute-clerk-registration.html	Dr. Lydia Maunz	
12:00 – 4:00	CHECK-IN & REGISTRATION Location: Meeting Area Foyer		
4:00 - 6:00	RECEPTION & ORIENTATION Location: Cutthroat/Grizzley	Education Committee	
	Monday – May 5		
8:00 – 9:00	ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF MT MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT Location: Bitterroot/Sapphire	Dan Clark & Ashley Kent	
9:00 – 10:00	CLERKS ROLES IN OPEN MEETINGS Location: Bitterroot/Sapphire	Dan Clark & Ashley Kent	
10:15 – 11:15	BUDGET BASICS Location: Bitterroot/Sapphire	Jodie Campbell & Jodi Rogers	
11:15 - 12:00	MUNICIPAL TRIVIA & SCAVENGER HUNT	Education	

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3:15 – 4:00	MINUTES, COUNCIL PACKETS, MEETING NOTICE, PUBLIC HEARING Location: Bitterroot	Dan Clark & Ashley Kent	GASB 101 (3:15 – 4:00) Location: Sapphire	Darla Erickson
4:00 – 5:00	MONTHLY BALANCING & BANK RECONCILLIATION Location: Bitterroot/Sapphire		Tammy Comer & BMS	
6:00 - 8:00	2025 BLACK MOUNTAIN SOFTWARE INSTITUTE USER DINNER* Location: Meadowlark Register: https://support.blackmountainsoftware.com/support_index.cfm?tc=2089 *Only BMS users are invited to attend the training dinner.		Black Mountain	

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BREAKOUT SESSIONS				
8:00 – 9:10	MANAGING BOARDS & COMMITTEES Location: Bitterroot	Dannai Clayborn	GRANTS 101 (8:00 – 8:50) Location: Sapphire	Jodie Campbell
9:10 – 10:00	WORK-LIFE BALANCE & STRESS MANAGEMENT Location: Bitterroot	Dr. Lydia Maunz	UTILITY BILLING (9:00 – 10:00) Location: Sapphire	Tom Frownfelder
10:10 - 11:00	COUNCIL ORIENTATION PACKETS Location: Sapphire	Liz Roos	BASICS OF DEBT FINANCING (10:10 – 11:00) Location: Bitterroot	Dan Semmens & Courtney Ellis
11:00 – 12:00	ORDINANCES v. RESOLUTIONS Location: Bitterroot	Dan Clark	FINANCE FUNDAMENTALS (11:00 – 12:00) Location: Sapphire	Katie Thompson
1:00 – 1:30	CLERK/TREASURER TO CLERK/TREASURER Location: Bitterroot/Sapphire			Education Committee
1:30 – 2:30	RECORDS RETENTION Location: Bitterroot/Sapphire			Mike Maas
2:45 – 3:50	EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION PRACTICES Location: Bitterroot/Sapphire			Ashley Kent
4:00 – 5:00	PLANNING DOCUMENTS: GROWTH, POLICY, PARK PLAN, CIP, ADA Location: Bitterroot/Sapphire			Jerry Grebenc
6:00 - 8:00	MMCT&FOA HOSTED PIZZA NIGHT & GAMES			

Wednesday - May 7

8:00 – 8:50	MUNICIPAL FUNDING: ENTITLEMENT SHARE, MILS, SID, 15-10-420, TIF Location: Bitterroot/Sapphire	TBD
9:00 – 10:00	AUDIT Location: Bitterroot/Sapphire	TBD
10:00 – 11:00	ETHICS AREN'T FOR THE BYRDES IN OZARK (Joint Session) Location: Bitterroot/Sapphire	Daniel Porter
11:00 – 12:00	FUNDING LAW ENFORCEMENT Location: Bitterroot/Sapphire	TBD & Local Gov. Center

MMIA EMPLOYEE BENEFITS & ALLEGIANCE SPONSORED LUNCH—MMIA EMPLOYEE BENEFITS PRESENTATION, APT, & MMCT&FOA MEETING

12:00 – 1:15 *Location: Cutthroat/Grizzley*





1:15 – 2:15	THE RADAR PHENOMENON (Joint Session) Location: Bitterroot/Sapphire	Daniel Porter
2:15 – 3:00	SUBMITTING A CLAIM Location: Bitterroot/Sapphire	MMIA
3:00 – 5:30	INTERACTIVE TOUR Location: Trolley tour of Butte, Underground Mines, and Fairmont Fun	
6:30 – 8:00	PAYGOV SPONSORED DINNER Location: Three Amigos Mexican Restaurant	PayGOV.U5

Thursday - May 8

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8:00 – 9:00	HR: PROGRESSIVE DISCIPLINE (Joint Session) Location: Bitterroot/Sapphire		Derrek Shepherd	
9:00 – 10:00	LEGISLATIVE UPDATE (Joint Session) Location: Bitterroot/Sapphire		Kelly Lynch & Jennifer Olson	
10:15 – 11:15	THE 3 MILLION DOLLAR RIBBON (Joint Session) Location: Bitterroot/Sapphire		Daniel Porter	
11:15 – 12:00	PROCUREMENT POLICIES (Joint Session) Location: Bitterroot/Sapphire		Mike Maas	
12:00 - 1:00	LUNCH HONORING GRADUATES Location: Cutthroat/Grizzley			
1:00 – 2:00	FRAUD INVESTIGATIONS FROM A TO Z Location: Bitterroot/Sapphire		Daniel Porter	
BREAKOUT SESSION				
2:00 – 3:00	SPECIAL EVENT COVERAGE MMIA Location: Bitterroot	AFR Overview (2:00 – 3:00) Location: Sapphire	Darla Erickson	
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3:30 – 4:00	CLOSING & CELEBRATION Location: Bitterroot/Sapphire		Education Committee	



