

Calgary Construction Association (CCA) Report for GAMA Board Meeting-2023-03-02

Since the GAMA Board meeting, 2023-02-02, I have attended the CCA LEAN Coffee events 2023-02-02 and the CCA Meet the GC event, where I ran into a number of CCA board members. These two events were well attended and provided excellent networking opportunities and some great conversations. The key issue for most is the increase in business opportunities, offset by a shortage of qualified people and the inability to find or hire more.

There was no Calgary Regional Trades and Labour Action Committee meeting, for January or February. Hopefully they will reconvene in March.

Upcoming CCA events include the CCA Lean Coffee on 2023-02-13, a CCA Meet the GC on 2023-03-15, that I will miss as I am out of town, and the Calgary Regional Trades and Labour Coalition (date TBD. Of note, at the CCA's AGM is 2023-05-17

I spoke to both Bill Black and Frano Cavar, at the Meet the GC event to discuss their presentations for our 2023-03-09 dinner meeting.

Lastly, I was approached by Chris Simeniuk of PayScore (www.payscore.ca) with regard to his new credit check tool for the construction and energy sectors. PayScore allows vendors to look up and monitor payment reliability of various companies. I.e. is the general contractor paying people on a regular basis and at what number of days. They have tried to hit organizations for endorsements, via the Alberta Trade Contractors Coalition (ATCC) and also through the CCA which is how he got to me. While PayScore is apparently being endorsed by the Painting Contractors (APCA) and the Wall Contractors (AWCA) I do not see that there is anything but liability for us to endorse this unknown to our members. It also seems to fly in the face of prompt payment where contracts (prime after 2022-08-28) will be impacted by the new legislation. Thoughts?

The Alberta Construction Association also released their third plain language guide to Adjudication, under the Prompt Payment Act [Adjudication-Vol-3-Prompt-Payment-and-Construction-Lien-Act-PLG-1.pdf \(albertaconstruction.net\)](http://albertaconstruction.net) a copy of which is attached.

Attachments: PayScore Features and Benefits, Plain Language Guide to the Prompt Payment Lien Act-Volume 3: Adjudication

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