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**NWMC Board
Agenda**

**Wednesday, January 9, 2013
7:00 p.m.
Oakton Community College
Room 1604
1600 East Golf Road
Des Plaines, IL
(map attached)**

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Roll Call**
- IV. Approval of Regular and Executive Session Meeting Minutes – December 12, 2012 (Attachments A & B)**
- V. President’s Report – William McLeod, NWMC President and President, Village of Hoffman Estates**
 - A. NWMC 2013 Legislative Brunch**
The Legislative Brunch will be held on Saturday, January 26 from 10:00 a.m. to Noon at the Stonegate Conference and Banquet Centre in Hoffman Estates. The Brunch will highlight the introduction of the Conference’s 2013 Legislative Program and will feature discussion with area legislators about the NWMC’s legislative priorities and other initiatives to be introduced in the upcoming session of the General Assembly. Invitations have been sent; therefore, please RSVP to Marina Durso, 847-296-9200 ext. 22, or mdurso@nwmc-cog.org by Wednesday, January 16, 2013.
Action Requested: RSVP
 - B. IMET Board Appointment**
The Executive Board recommends appointment of Buffalo Grove Finance Director Scott Anderson as the NWMC representative to the Illinois Metropolitan Investment Fund (IMET) Board of Directors. The appointment will fulfill retiring Skokie Finance Director Bob Nowak’s remaining term, which ends in January 2014.
Action Requested: Approve Recommendation
- VI. Priority Issues**
 - A. Legislative Committee – Elizabeth Tisdahl, Mayor, City of Evanston, Co-Chair and Jerry Turry, Mayor, Village of Lincolnwood, Co-Chair**
 - 1. Public Safety Pension Reform Strategy**
Reports are that the General Assembly will not take up any pension reform legislation during the lame duck session. The Pension Fairness for Illinois Communities Coalition is in the process of determining a legislative strategy for the 2013 spring session. Staff will provide an update.
Action Requested: Review and Discuss

2. *Lame Duck Session Update*

While pension reform appears to be off the table during the scheduled lame duck session, there are two issues that may advance that have impacts on local governments. Senate Bill 2643, which would require bidders on public works contracts to be subject to responsible bidder rules (i.e. participate in an approved apprenticeship program), would have a dramatic impact on contracting costs and local small contractors. The Conference is working to defeat this bill.

House Bill 5019 could be amended to become the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Pilot Program Act. Although the Legislative Committee recommends not taking a position on the bill, if approved this bill will limit the ability to regulate the location and operation of the proposed medical marijuana distribution facilities to zoning authority and includes a home rule limitation to prevent any more stringent regulation. Materials were distributed to the membership in December to assist municipalities in advance of the bill's possible adoption.

Action Requested: Review and Discuss

3. *2013 NWMC Legislative Program (Attachment C)*

The Executive Board and Legislative Committee recommend approval of the proposed 2013 Legislative Program.

Action Requested: Approve 2013 NWMC Legislative Program

B. Finance Committee – Wally Bobkiewicz, Manager, City of Evanston, Chair

NWMC Strategic Plan Update

Since the October 10 strategic planning session, staff and NWMC Treasurer, Evanston City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz have developed a Strategic Plan Action Framework that includes initiatives, goal statements, action plans and status reports. The framework directly correlates with the four main topics of discussion at the strategic planning session:

- Conference Events and Services
- Elected Officials Communications
- Financial Stability
- Legislative Program

Staff will provide an update at the meeting.

Action Requested: Review and Discuss

VII. Consent Agenda (Attachment D)

Items on the Consent Agenda are considered routine by the Board and will be enacted in one motion. There is no separate discussion of these items unless a Board member requests, in which event the item(s) will be removed from the General Order of Business and considered during the Other Business portion of the agenda.

Action Requested: Approve Consent Agenda

VIII. Other Business

IX. For the Good of the Order

X. Next Meeting

The next Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 13, 7:00 p.m. at Oakton Community College, Room 1604, in Des Plaines.

XI. Adjournment