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Agenda

Wednesday, January 15, 2014

7:00 p.m.

Oakton Community College

Room 1604

1600 East Golf Road

Des Plaines, IL

(map enclosed)

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Roll Call**
- IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes – December 11, 2013 (Attachment A)**
- V. President’s Report – Sandra Frum, NWMC President and President, Village of Northbrook**
 - A. Get Covered Illinois (Attachment B)**
Get Covered Illinois is the state’s official website to assist individuals, families and small businesses shop for health care coverage. Mr. Giovanni Gomez from Get Covered Illinois will attend the NWMC Board meeting to explain the program and its benefits.
Action Requested: Approve recommendation
 - B. 2014 NWMC Board Meeting Dates (Attachment C)**
Attached are the scheduled 2014 dates for the NWMC Board meetings. Please note that a location for the May meeting needs to be determined.
Action Requested: Informational
 - C. NWMC Legislative Brunch (Attachment D)**
The 2014 Legislative Brunch will be held on Saturday, January 25, 2014 at the Hilton Chicago/Northbrook. The Conference will introduce its 2014 Legislative Program at the event. Attached please find the current legislator attendance list. Members are requested to contact their legislators and encourage them to attend. Please RSVP by Thursday, January 16 to Marina Durso, 847-296-9200, ext. 122 or mdurso@nwmc-cog.org.
Action requested: Informational
- VI. Priority Issues**
 - A. Legislative Committee – Jerry Turry, Mayor, Village of Lincolnwood, Co-Chair and Matt Bogusz, Mayor, City of Des Plaines, Co-Chair**
 - 1. Pension Reform Strategy**
Staff will provide an update on the pension reform strategy being crafted by the Pension Fairness for Illinois Communities Coalition.
Action Requested: Discussion

2. *2014 Legislative Program (Attachment E)*

The Executive Board and Legislative Committee recommend approval of the draft 2014 NWMC Legislative Program (attached). The Legislative Program will be introduced at the January 25 Legislative Brunch.

Action Requested: Approve recommendation

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

2013 NWMC Strategic Plan Implementation

1. *Evaluation and Growth of Joint Purchasing (Attachment F)*

The Executive Board and Finance Committee, in consultation with the NWMC Managers Committee, recommend continuing to work through the Suburban Purchasing Cooperative (SPC) Governing Board to increase participation in the existing SPC programs and expand product offerings as opportunities emerge. The Executive Board and Finance Committee further recommend continuing participation in the Municipal Partnering Initiative to assist where appropriate and monitor any need for the Conference to expand its role and/or explore opportunities to partner with existing or potential SPC programs.

Action requested: Approve recommendations

2. *Long-term Financial Planning*

The Executive Board and Finance Committee, as requested in the NWMC Strategic Plan, recommend the following policies to ensure the long-term financial stability for the organization:

i. *Program Subsidization Policy (Attachment G)*

The Executive Board and Finance Committee recommend approval of the program subsidization policy as outlined in the attachment.

Action requested: Approve recommendation

ii. *Rolling Five-Year Plan Policy (Attachment H)*

The Executive Board and Finance Committee recommend approval of the Rolling Five-Year Plan Policy as outlined in the attachment.

Action requested: Approve recommendation

C. Transportation Committee - Jeff Braiman, President, Village of Buffalo Grove, Chair

Northeastern Illinois Public Transit Task Force Update

The Governor's Northeastern Illinois Public Transit Task Force last met on December 12 and discussed the process for appointing transit board members with various appointing authorities. Additionally, Thomas F. Prendergast, Chairman and CEO of New York's Metropolitan Transportation Authority, testified and answered questions about the components of a world class transit system. Given the complexity of the issues under review, the task force agreed to delay its final recommendations until the end of March. Staff will provide an update.

Action requested: Informational

VII. Consent Agenda (Attachment I)

Items on the Consent Agenda are considered routine by the NWMC Board and will be enacted in one motion. There is no separate discussion of these items unless an NWMC 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 12, 7:00 p.m. at Oakton Community College, Room 1604, in Des Plaines.

XI. Adjournment