

**NORTHWEST MUNICIPAL CONFERENCE**

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**NWMC Board  
Agenda  
Wednesday, October 14, 2015  
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 – September 9, 2015 (Attachment A)**
- V. President’s Report – Tom Rooney, NWMC President and Mayor, City of Rolling Meadows**
  - A. Northwest Water Planning Alliance Funding**  
The Northwest Water Planning Alliance (NWPA) has requested an annual \$750 contribution to fund its operations. The NWPA was formed in 2010 as a voluntary partnership among five councils of government and five counties to focus on cooperative water planning for non-Lake Michigan water users. The Executive Board recommends approval of the request and further recommends including NWPA funding in future NWMC budgets.  
**Action Requested:** Approve Recommendation
  - B. NWMC Fall Surplus Vehicle and Equipment Auction**  
The fall NWMC live surplus vehicle and equipment auction will be held on Tuesday, October 27 at America’s Auto Auction Chicago in Crestwood. Announcements have been sent to NWMC Public Works Directors, Fire Chiefs, Police Chiefs, Managers and Finance Directors. America’s Auto Auction Field Sales Representative Fred Uhter has contacted all NWMC members to discuss the program in detail and we encourage all members to participate in the auction. To date, the following NWMC members have indicated that they will participate: *Antioch; Evanston; Glenview; Lincolnwood; Morton Grove; Northbrook; Skokie; Skokie Library, Wilmette; and Winnetka.* We are still waiting for confirmation from *Glencoe, Lake Forest, Rolling Meadows.*  
**Action Requested:** Informational
- VI. Priority Issues**
  - Legislative Committee – Sandra Frum, President, Village of Northbrook, Co-Chair and Harriet Rosenthal, Mayor, Village of Deerfield, Co-Chair**
    - A. Legislative Update**  
The General Assembly is not scheduled to return to Springfield until October 20. Staff is working with the Legislative Committee and regional councils of government

to be prepared for further threats to local government revenues as the state seeks solutions to the budget impasse. Staff will provide a report.

**Action Requested:** Discussion

**B. Veto Session**

The General Assembly typically holds a short veto session during the fall months; however, staff does not anticipate that there will be a designated veto session this year due to the ongoing budget impasse. The General Assembly has addressed nearly all vetoes while meeting this summer.

**Action Requested:** Informational

**VII. Finance Committee - Juliana Maller, Manager, Village of Hanover Park, Chair  
FY2014-2015 Audit Draft (Attachment B)**

A. Knutte & Associates P.C., has completed a draft of the audit report for the year ending April 30, 2015. The Finance Committee and Executive Board recommend approval of the audit.

**Action Requested:** Approve Recommendation

**B. Authorization to Change Banking Services and Investment Vehicle (Attachment C)**

According to the attached letter from State Treasurer Frerichs to Governor Rauner, the ongoing budget stalemate has reached the point where “critically important banking and investment contracts remain unpaid which threaten to disrupt operations” which could lead to a disruption of banking services such as depository services and electronic payments for state operations and reach a point where “our office may be forced to liquidate all investments”. NWMC currently utilizes an Illinois Funds account, which is operated through the State Treasurer’s office, as both its checking account and primary investment vehicle.

The NWMC Finance Committee discussed making changes to both the Conference’s banking services arrangement with Illinois Funds and overall investment strategy during its September 9 meeting. Based upon the information in the Treasurer’s letter, the Executive Board recommends that the Board authorize the Finance Committee to take whatever actions are necessary to prevent NWMC assets and operations from being jeopardized.

**Action Requested:** Approve Recommendation

**VIII. Transportation Committee - Dean Argiris, Village of Wheeling, Chair  
Resolution to Extend Positive Train Control Deadline (Attachment D)**

The Executive Board and Transportation Committee recommend approval of the attached resolution which urges Congress to extend the December 31, 2015 deadline for railroads to install Positive Train Control (PTC) systems. All Class I Railroads in the Chicago area plus Metra have indicated that they will not meet the deadline and be forced to cease operations without an extension.

**Action requested:** Approve Recommendation

**IX. Consent Agenda (Attachment E)**

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

**X. Other Business**

**XI. For the Good of the Order**

**XII. Next Meeting**

The next Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 18, 7:00 p.m. at Oakton Community College, Room 1604, in Des Plaines.

**XIII. Adjournment**