



MEMBERS

Antioch
Arlington Heights
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Elk Grove Village
Evanston
Fox River Grove
Glencoe
Glenview
Golf*
Grayslake
Hanover Park
Highland Park
Hoffman Estates
Kenilworth
Lake Forest
Lake Zurich
Libertyville
Lincolnshire
Lincolnwood
Morton Grove
Mount Prospect
Niles
Northbrook
Northfield
Northfield Twp.
Palatine
Park Ridge
Prospect Heights
Rolling Meadows
Schaumburg
Skokie
Streamwood
Vernon Hills
Wheeling
Wilmette
Winnetka

President
Kerry D. Cummings
Glenview

Vice-President
Chris Canning
Wilmette

Secretary
Jill Brickman
Northfield Township

Treasurer
Robert Kiely
Lake Forest

Executive Director
Mark L. Fowler

*Affiliate Member

NWMC BOARD MINUTES
Wednesday, November 15, 2010
7:30 p.m.
Crowne Plaza Hotel
2875 N. Milwaukee Avenue
Northbrook, IL

I. Call to Order

President Cummings called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

President Cummings led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Roll Call

Diane Kopterski called the roll.

Members Present

Arlington Heights, Mayor Arlene J. Mulder
Barrington, President Karen Darch
Buffalo Grove, Manager Dane Bragg
Cary, Mayor Tom Kierna
Deerfield, Manager Kent Street
Des Plaines, Mayor Marty Moylan
Elk Grove Village, Trustee James Petri
Evanston, Manager Wally Bobkiewicz
Fox River Grove, Trustee Duane Figurski
Glencoe, President Scott Feldman
Glenview, President Kerry Cummings
Hanover Park, Trustee William Cannon
Hoffman Estates, Manager Jim Norris
Kenilworth, Manager Brad Burke
Lake Forest, Manager Bob Kiely
Lincolnwood, Mayor Jerry Turry, Administrator Tim Wiberg
Morton Grove, Trustee Larry Gomberg, Administrator Joe Wade
Mount Prospect, Mayor Irvana Wilks
Niles, Trustee Louella Preston
Northbrook, President Sandra Frum
Palatine, Mayor Jim Schwantz
Prospect Heights, Mayor Dolly Vole, Administrator Anne Marrin
Rolling Meadows, Manager Sarah Phillips
Skokie, Trustee Randall Roberts, Assistant Manager John Lockerby
Streamwood, Manager Gary O'Rourke
Wheeling, Manager Jon Sfondilis
Wilmette, President Chris Canning, Manager Tim Frenzer

Members Absent

Antioch	Libertyville
Bartlett	Lincolnshire
Carpentersville	Northfield
Crystal Lake	Northfield Township
Golf	Park Ridge
Grayslake	Schaumburg
Highland Park	Vernon Hills
Lake Zurich	Winnetka

Others in Attendance

Larry Bury, NWMC Policy Director
Janet Bright, CMAP
Ellen Dayan, NWMC Program Manager
Marina Durso, NWMC Program Associate
Mark Fowler, NWMC Executive Director
Diane Kopterski, NWMC Executive Secretary
Andrew Lichterman, Deerfield
Andy Plummer, RTA
Chris Staron, NWMC Program Associate
Jim Tansor, NICOR
Mike Walczak, NWMC Program Manager
Kitty Weiner, Cong. Peter Roskam's Office
Larry Widmer, NWMC Deputy Director

IV. **Approval of Meeting Minutes – October 13, 2010**

Motion to approve the October 13, 2010 Meeting Minutes was made by Manager Street. It was seconded by Trustee Petri and approved.

V. **President's Report – Kerry Cummings, NWMC President and President, Village of Glenview**

A. **NWMC Financial Procedures and Controls**

President Cummings stated that the Executive Board recommended that the Finance Committee conduct a review of the NWMC financial procedures and controls with the assistance of municipal finance directors and other experts. The Executive Board further recommended that staff update the NWMC personnel manual.

Motion to approve the Executive Board recommendations was made by President Canning. It was seconded by President Darch and approved.

President Cummings also stated that the Executive Board suggested that the Conference By-laws and any other foundational documents be reviewed.

Motion was made by Manager Kiely to approve the formation of a subcommittee to review the Conference By-laws and any foundational documents and bring any recommendations back to the membership. The subcommittee will be comprised of President Chris Canning as Chair; Mayor Jerry Turry, President Sandy Frum and President Karen Darch. The motion was seconded by Trustee Preston and approved. President Cummings expressed her thanks to all those who were going to work on the document review.

B. NWMC Committee Appointments

President Cummings stated that the Executive Board recommended the appointment of Des Plaines Alderman Matt Bogusz to the Legislative Committee and Arlington Heights Civil Engineer Briget Schwab to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee.

Motion to approve the recommendations was made by President Frum. It was seconded by Mayor Mulder and approved.

C. Northwest Water Planning Alliance Technical Advisory Committee Nomination

President Cummings stated that the Northwest Water Planning Alliance is assembling a Technical Advisory Committee comprised of municipal and county public works directors and engineers and each member of the Alliance is afforded one representative to this committee. Barrington Public Works Director Dennis Burmeister volunteered to fill the position on the committee and the Executive Board recommended his appointment.

Motion to approve the recommendation was made by Mayor Mulder. It was seconded by Mayor Turry and approved.

D. IMET Board Appointment

President Cummings stated that Skokie Finance Director Bob Nowak has represented the Conference on IMET's Board since its inception. The Finance Committee and Executive Board recommended the reappointment of Mr. Novak for another three-year term.

Motion to approve the recommendation was made by President Schwantz. It was seconded by Mayor Turry and approved.

E. Sewer Infiltration/Inflow in Cook County

Mr. Staron stated that in response to a draft Illinois Environmental Protection Agency permit, the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago is considering changes to its infiltration/inflow removal program. The large majority of Cook County NWMC members with a separate sewer system have been operating under the I/I Corrective Action Program (ICAP) since 1985, and changes to ICAP could have a dramatic impact on municipalities.

Mr. Staron stated that on October 29, NWMC held a meeting with municipal public works directors and engineers to discuss what the changes would mean to municipalities and to develop an NWMC position. The draft letter distributed to members urges MWRD and IEPA to work collaboratively with municipalities and that any new regulations or standards should be driven by engineering and science. The other councils of government have approved and signed the letter and another meeting with MWRD and IEPA will be held in December to discuss the issue.

Before moving on the next agenda item, President Cummings acknowledged Manager Street who introduced Andrew Lichterman, an intern who is working for the village of Deerfield.

VI. Priority Issues

A. Legislative Committee – Chris Canning, Village of Wilmette, Co-Chair and Bill McLeod, President, Village of Hoffman Estates, Co-Chair

1. Public Safety Pension Reform Update

President Canning stated that the Conference is working with Pension Fairness for Illinois Communities Coalition to make plans for the veto session.

Mr. Fowler stated that 44 municipalities placed a referendum on the ballot and the average approval was 83%. He stated that the House Public Safety Pension Reform Sub-committee is expected to introduce public safety reform legislation during the veto session. The Pension Coalition has retained Grisko and Associates to handle the public relations through the veto session and the immediate result was an editorial in the Sun Times making a positive statement on the plight of public safety pensions. Mr. Fowler stated that they are also following up with other editorial boards and that the Coalition partners have called a meeting to discuss the veto session strategy. He said there will be a briefing at IML and a noon press conference in the Capitol on November 16. The Coalition will prepare talking points and legislative packets for all those who are coming down to Springfield. Mr. Fowler urged members to join them in Springfield.

President Canning urged members to call and meet with their legislators and to educate any newly elected officials about the pension reform issue.

2. Veto Session Preparation

Mr. Bury reviewed some of the other issues pending in Springfield. He said the issue of pension borrowing to cover the state's pension is still active and Governor Quinn applied an amendatory veto to the FOIA personnel evaluations exempting only police personnel evaluations. It is anticipated there will be a motion to override that amendatory veto so that all employee evaluations are treated as confidential. He stated that there are not a lot of other veto items in this session.

B. Transportation Committee - Ken Nelson, Mayor, City of Rolling Meadows, Co-Chair and Sandy Frum, President, Village of Northbrook, Co-Chair

1. Stop For Pedestrians Law

President Frum reviewed Public Act 96-1165 (House Bill 43) which requires vehicles to stop for pedestrians in crosswalks rather than the previous provisions requiring that vehicles yield to pedestrians.

2. NWMC Bike Plan Update

President Frum stated that NWMC and Active Transportation Alliance (ATA) staff presented draft components of the Conference's 2001 Bicycle Plan at the October committee meeting. The committee will review and consider approval of the draft plan and NWMC staff will present the plan to the Transportation Committee on November 18 for approval of the plan. The plan would then be forwarded to the NWMC Board for consideration in December.

C. Program Services Committee – Tim Wiberg, Manager, Village of Lincolnwood, Chair

NWMC Fall Auction Results

Mr. Wiberg thanked the village of Wheeling for hosting the recent NWMC Surplus Vehicle and Equipment Auction in which 201 vehicles and pieces of equipment were sold.

VII. Consent Agenda

Motion was made by Manager Street to approve the items on the Consent Agenda. It was seconded by Mayor Wilks and approved. The following items were approved on the Consent Agenda:

- Monthly Budget Report and Warrant List for September
- Changes to the Northwest Council of Mayors Surface Transportation Program

VIII. Other Business

None.

IX. For the Good of the Order

Mayor Wilks commented that the Prevailing Wage and TIFs bill places pressure on condominium owners. Mr. Bury will research the issue.

X. Next Meeting

The next Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 8, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at the Crowne Plaza Hotel.

XI. Adjournment

There being no further business, motion to adjourn was made by Mayor Vole. It was seconded by Mayor Mulder and approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.