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NWMC Board Minutes
Wednesday, January 9, 2013
7:00 p.m.
Oakton Community College
1600 East Golf Road
Des Plaines, IL 60016

I. Call to Order
President McLeod called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance
President McLeod led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Roll Call
Trustee Preston called the roll.

Members Present:

Arlington Heights, Mayor Arlene J. Mulder
Barrington, President Karen Darch
Buffalo Grove, President Jeffrey Braiman
Carpentersville, Assistant Manager Joe Wade
Cary, Administrator Christopher Clark
Crystal Lake, Manager Gary Mayerhofer
Deerfield, Manager Kent Street
Elk Grove Village, Trustee Jim Petri, Manager Ray Rummel
Evanston, Mayor Elizabeth Tisdahl, Manager Wally Bobkiewicz
Fox River Grove, President Robert Nunamaker
Glencoe, Trustee Lawrence Levin
Hanover Park, Trustee Ed Zimel
Highland Park, Deputy Manager Ghida Neukirch
Hoffman Estates, Mayor Bill McLeod
Morton Grove, Manager Ryan Horne
Mount Prospect, Trustee Michael Zadel
Niles, Trustee Louella Preston
Northfield, President Fred Gougler
Palatine, Mayor Jim Schwantz
Park Ridge, Manager Shawn Hamilton
Prospect Heights, Administrator Anne Marrin
Rolling Meadows, Mayor Tom Rooney, Manager Barry Krumstok
Schaumburg, Director of Community Services Kathleen Tempesta
Skokie, Assistant Village Manager John Lockerby
Wheeling, Manager Jon Sfondilis
Wilmette, President Chris Canning
Winnetka, President Jessica Tucker

Members Absent:

Antioch	Lake Zurich
Bartlett	Libertyville
Des Plaines	Lincolnshire
Glenview	Lincolnwood
Grayslake	Northbrook
Kenilworth	Northfield Township
Lake Forest	Streamwood
	Vernon Hills

Others in Attendance

Larry Bury, NWMC Legislative Director
Ylda Capriccioso, CMAP
Ellen Dayan, NWMC Program Manager
Marina Durso, NWMC Program Associate
Mark Fowler, NWMC Executive Director
Tim Grzesiakowski, Metropolitan Planning Council
Christopher Staron, NWMC Program Associate
Jim Tansor, Nicor Gas
Mike Walczak, NWMC Program Manager
Kay Whitlock, Christopher Burke Engineering
Larry Widmer, NWMC Deputy Director

IV. Approval of Regular and Executive Session Meeting Minutes – December 12, 2012

Motion to approve the Regular Minutes of the December 12, 2012 Board meeting was made by Trustee Levin. It was seconded by Manager Street and approved.

Motion to approve the Executive Session Minutes of the December 12, 2012 Board meeting was made by Trustee Levin. It was seconded by Mayor Mulder and approved.

V. President's Report – William McLeod, NWMC President and President, Village of Hoffman Estates

A. NWMC 2013 Legislative Brunch

President McLeod stated that 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. He asked members to respond as soon as possible. Mr. Fowler encouraged members to reach out to their legislators to attend the event.

B. IMET Board Appointment

President McLeod stated that the Executive Board recommended 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.

Motion to approve the recommendation was made by President Tucker. It was seconded by President Gougler and approved.

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

President McLeod reported that the legislators feel they will get state pension reform done before they address Chicago and downstate police and fire pension systems.

Mr. Bury provided an update on legislative pension proposals in Springfield. He also stated that the Pension Fairness Coalition will develop a plan for the new session. Mr. Fowler stated that the Coalition should examine all contingencies and take a comprehensive look at what may be needed before requesting additional contributions from municipalities.

2. Lame Duck Session Update

Mr. Bury discussed SB2580 which would transfer $9.6 million out of the local government tax fund and put it in the Illinois State Medical Disciplinary Fund. He expressed the concern that this would set a precedent to use local revenues for state purposes. He said the bill did not advance out of committee but staff will continue to monitor the issue.

Mr. Bury stated that during the lame duck session, there are two issues that may advance that have impacts on local governments. He reported that Senate Bill 2643, which would require bidders on public works contracts to be subject to responsible bidder rules, would have a dramatic impact on contracting costs and local small contractors. He stated that the Conference is working to defeat this bill.

Mr. Bury state that HB5019 could be amended to become the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Pilot Program Act. He stated that the Legislative Committee recommended not taking a position on the bill. He stated that if the bill is approved, it will limit the ability to regulate the location and operation of proposed medical marijuana distribution facilities to zoning authorities and includes a home rule limitation to prevent any more stringent regulation. There was discussion by Mr. Bury and membership on several other bills.

3. 2013 NWMC Legislative Program

President McLeod stated that the Executive Board and Legislative Committee recommended approval of the proposed 2013 Legislative Program.

Motion to approve the recommendation was made by Trustee Levin. It was seconded by Trustee Zadel and approved.

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

NWMC Strategic Plan Update

Manager Bobkiewicz stated that the Finance Committee reviewed the Strategic Plan Action Framework that has been developed which 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, and legislative program. He stated that plan will be brought to the board in February.

VII. Consent Agenda

Motion to approve items on the Consent Agenda was made by President Gougler. It was seconded by Trustee Zimel and approved. The following items were approved on the Consent Agenda:

- Monthly Budget Report and Warrant List for November 2012

VIII. Other Business

Trustee Petri requested an update on IML. Mr. Fowler stated that the work of their committees continues and they have instituted a process to review the executive director and they are continuing to assemble their policies and procedures. Mr. Fowler stated that twelve of our members have paid their dues to IML while ten have not, pending disposition of the IML issues. He stated that IML President Eisenhauer is working to schedule
a meeting with the council of government directors in February to bring them up to date.

IX. For the Good of the Order

None.

X. Next Meeting

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

XI. Adjournment

There being no further business, motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Zimel. It was seconded by Trustee Zadel and approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

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Louella B. Preston, NWMC Secretary and
Trustee, Village of Niles