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NWMC Board Minutes
Wednesday, February 13, 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 7:10 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, Manager Dane Bragg
Carpentersville, Assistant Manager Joe Wade
Cary, Mayor Tom Kierna
Deerfield, Manager Kent Street
Elk Grove Village, Trustee Jim Petri, Manager Ray Rummel
Evanston, Manager Wally Bobkiewicz
Glenview, President Kerry Cummings
Hanover Park, President Rodney Craig, Trustee Ed Zimel
Highland Park, Deputy Manager Ghida Neukirch
Hoffman Estates, Mayor Bill McLeod
Morton Grove, Assistant to the Village Administrator Peter Falcone
Mount Prospect, Mayor Irvana Wilks
Niles, Trustee Louella Preston
Palatine, Mayor Jim Schwantz
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
Streamwood, Manager Gary O'Rourke
Wilmette, President Chris Canning

Members Absent:

Antioch	Libertyville
Bartlett	Lincolnshire
Crystal Lake	Lincolnwood
Des Plaines	Northbrook
Fox River Grove	Northfield
Glencoe	Northfield Township
Grayslake	Park Ridge
Kenilworth	Vernon Hills
Lake Forest	Wheeling
Lake Zurich	Winnetka

Others in Attendance

Mark Baloga, DuPage Mayors & Managers Conference
Larry Bury, NWMC Legislative Director
Ellen Dayan, NWMC Program Manager
Marina Durso, NWMC Program Associate
Jesse Elam, CMAP
Mark Fowler, NWMC Executive Director
Larry Hartwig, Mayor Village of Addison
Diane Kopterski, NWMC
Andy Plummer, RTA
Wayne Serbin, Des Plaines Citizen
Christopher Staron, NWMC Program Associate
Mike Walczak, NWMC Program Manager
Larry Widmer, NWMC Deputy Director

IV. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes – January 9, 2013

Motion to approve the Regular Minutes of the January 9, 2013 Board meeting was made by Mayor Mulder. It was seconded by Mayor Schwantz and approved.

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

A. February Board Meeting Presentation

President McLeod introduced Addison Mayor and Metropolitan Mayors Caucus Diversity Issues Task Force Chair Larry Hartwig who discussed the Chicago Council on Global Affairs report on immigration reform. Mayor Hartwig stated that the current system is broken and that the Council formed a task force to establish a framework for comprehensive immigration reform. He stated that some of the task force priorities are border security, a path to citizenship and assistance for immigrants who become Americans. Mayor Hartwig stated that bipartisan support is needed to solve the problems and they want to have leaders in government, business, academia and service providers sign on as supporters of the concepts in the report. He noted that there is no financial commitment to signing on. Mayor Hartwig stated that the Midwest call to action will be rolled out in Washington and urged the mayors to lend their support.

B. NWMC May Board Meeting Date

President McLeod stated that, due to the Illinois Municipal League (IML) scheduling its Lobby Day on Wednesday, May 1, the Executive Board recommended that the May

Board meeting be held a week later, on Wednesday, May 15. Mayor Wilks offered the use of the Mount Prospect Village Hall board chambers for the meeting.

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

VI. Priority Issues

A. Transportation Committee – Tom Rooney, Mayor, City of Rolling Meadows, Chair

1. RTA Getting America to Work Coalition

Mayor Rooney stated that the Getting America to Work Coalition is supported by the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) and designed to educate lawmakers on the importance of transportation funding and the need to repair and replace the nation's transit network. He said that the Executive Board and Transportation Committee recommended that the Conference join the Getting America to Work Coalition.

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

2. *Resolution to Support CMAP's Congestion Pricing Strategy*

Mayor Rooney stated that the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) is seeking Conference approval of a resolution supporting the agency's Congestion Pricing Campaign. Congestion pricing is being considered on new regional expressways and those that will have new lanes added. He stated that congestion pricing may be utilized on regional roads such as the Jane Addams Expressway, the Elgin O'Hare Western Access and the Illinois Route 53 Extension. Mayor Rooney pointed out that congestion pricing has been successful in several areas of the country as well as overseas. He noted that the Executive Board and Transportation Committee recommended approval of the resolution.

Motion to approve the recommendation was made by Mayor Rooney. It was seconded by Mayor Mulder and after discussion by membership concerning increased traffic on local roads, the motion was approved. Carpentersville, Elk Grove Village and Mount Prospect voted no.

3. Elgin O'Hare Western Access CMAQ Application

Mayor Rooney stated that the Executive Board and Transportation Committee recommended Conference support of a joint DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference, DuPage County and Illinois Tollway application for Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds for the Elgin O'Hare / Western Access project. He stated that the grant would fund eligible portions of the project and would close part of the project's funding gap. Mayor Rooney stated that support of the resolution for the funding does not preclude anyone from pursuing smaller projects.

Motion was made by Mayor Rooney to approve the recommendation. It was seconded by Trustee Preston.

Mayor Craig discussed the DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference consensus on the issue and urged members to add their support for the CMAP application. After discussion, the motion was approved by membership.

B. Legislative Committee – Elizabeth Tisdahl, Mayor, City of Evanston, Co-Chair and Jerry Turry, Mayor, Village of Lincolnwood, Co-Chair

1. NWMC Legislative Brunch Recap

Mr. Bury stated that one hundred and thirty-two officials attended the Legislative Brunch on January 26, including 3 congressmen, 12 state representatives and 5 state senators. He asked membership for feedback on ways to improve the event.

2. NWMC Legislative Days in Springfield

Mr. Bury stated that the Conference's Legislative Days in Springfield are set for March 19 through March 21, which coincides with the House and Senate deadlines to advance bills out of committee. He stated that the Conference will host an informal dinner with legislators on Wednesday evening at the Sangamo Club and urged members to register for the event as soon as possible.

3. Metropolitan Mayors Caucus 2013 Legislative Priorities

Mr. Bury stated that the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus' Legislative Priorities mirror those of the Conference and the Executive Board recommended approval of the Caucus' 2013 Legislative Priorities.

Motion was made by Trustee Zimel to approve the recommendation. It was seconded by President Darch and approved.

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

NWMC Strategic Plan

Mr. Bobkiewicz thanked the Board and Finance Committee for identifying issues that went into creation of the plan. He stated that the plan is divided into major themes with sub-themes and goals, action plans and implementation dates. He stated that the targeted implementation for recommendations begins with the FY2013-2014 budget. Mr. Bobkiewicz stated that the Executive Board and Finance Committee recommended approval of the NWMC Strategic Plan.

Motion to approve the recommendation was made by Trustee Zimel. It was seconded by Trustee Preston and approved.

VII. Consent Agenda

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

- Monthly Budget Report and Warrant List for December 2012

VIII. Other Business

None.

IX. For the Good of the Order

None.

X. Next Meeting

The next Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 13, 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 Mayor Mulder and approved. The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

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