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*Affiliate Member

NWMC Board Minutes
Wednesday, March 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 7:00 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, Trustee Tim Roberts
 Buffalo Grove, President Jeffrey Braiman
 Carpentersville, Assistant Manager Joe Wade
 Crystal Lake, Manager Gary Mayerhofer
 Deerfield, Manager Kent Street
 Elk Grove Village, Trustee Jim Petri, Manager Ray Rummel
 Glencoe, Trustee Lawrence Levin
 Glenview, President Kerry Cummings
 Hanover Park, Trustee Ed Zimel
 Hoffman Estates, Mayor Bill McLeod
 Lincolnshire, Manager Bradley Burke
 Morton Grove, Administrator Ryan Horne
 Mount Prospect, Mayor Irvana Wilks
 Niles, Trustee Louella Preston
 Northbrook, President Sandy Frum
 Northfield, President Fred Gougler
 Prospect Heights, Administrator Anne Marrin
 Rolling Meadows, Mayor Tom Rooney, Manager Barry Krumstok
 Schaumburg, Director of Community Services Kathleen Tempesta
 Skokie, Trustee Randall Roberts, Assistant Village Manager John Lockerby
 Wheeling, Manager Jon Sfondilis
 Winnetka, President Jessica Tucker, Manager Rob Bahan

Members Absent:

Antioch	Lake Zurich
Bartlett	Libertyville
Cary	Lincolnwood
Des Plaines	Northfield Township
Evanston	Palatine
Fox River Grove	Park Ridge
Grayslake	Streamwood
Highland Park	Vernon Hills
Kenilworth	Wilmette
Lake Forest	

Others in Attendance

Ylda Capriccioso, CMAP (Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning)
Ellen Dayan, NWMC Program Manager
Rebecca Darr, WINGS (Women In Need of Growing Stronger)
Marina Durso, NWMC Program Associate
Mark Fowler, NWMC Executive Director
Tim Grzesiakowski, MPC (Metropolitan Planning Council)
Diane Kopterski, NWMC
Christopher Staron, NWMC Program Associate
Mike Walczak, NWMC Program Manager
Larry Widmer, NWMC Deputy Director

IV. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes – February 13, 2013

Motion to approve the Regular Minutes of the February 13, 2013 Board meeting was made by Mayor Mulder. It was seconded by Trustee Levin and approved.

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

A. March Board Meeting Presentation

President McLeod introduced WINGS (Wings in Need Growing Stronger) Executive Director Rebecca Darr who discussed the role of her organization in the community. She stated that WINGS addresses the needs of women and children who are homeless or suffering from the effects of domestic violence in the suburbs. She stated that WINGS helps about 1,000 women and children each year by providing emergency shelter and helping clients with jobs and career guidance with the goal of helping them become self sufficient.

B. Membership Petitions – Bannockburn and Deer Park

President McLeod stated that the Villages of Bannockburn and Deer Park have petitioned the Conference for membership. He stated that the Executive Board recommended approval of the membership petitions.

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

C. FY13-14 NWMC Officer Nominations

President McLeod stated that FY13-14 NWMC Officer Nomination Form were sent to membership and are due back by Friday, March 15. He stated that the NWMC Nomination Committee will present a recommended slate of candidates at the April 10 NWMC Board meeting. He noted that the Nomination Committee is comprised of the following individuals:

Current NWMC President:	Mayor William McLeod, Hoffman Estates
NWMC Past President:	President Chris Canning, Wilmette
At-large Mayor/Supervisor:	President Karen Darch, Barrington
At-large Mayor/Supervisor:	Supervisor Jill Brickman, Northfield Township
At-large Mayor/Supervisor:	President Al Larson, Schaumburg

D. 2013 NWMC Board Meeting Schedule

President McLeod stated that the NWMC Board meeting schedule for the remainder of 2013 was included in the packet and noted that the May 8 meeting has been rescheduled to May 15 at the Mount Prospect Village Hall.

E. Northwest Water Planning Alliance: CMAP Local Technical Assistance

Mr. Staron stated that the Northwest Water Planning Alliance (NWPA) secured support through the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning’s Local Technical Assistance program. He stated that CMAP’s assistance will be in the form of staff time in NWPA strategic planning efforts, collaborative management and drought preparedness. He stated that a memorandum of understanding with CMAP was approved and that no local funding match is required.

VI. Priority Issues

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

1. Pension Reform Strategy

Mr. Fowler stated that Serafin & Associates (S&A) has submitted a proposal to conduct public relations efforts on behalf of the Pension Fairness for Illinois Communities Coalition (PFIC) through the next session of the General Assembly to advocate for public safety pension reform. Mr. Fowler stated that initially Serafin was asked to put together a plan the coming year. He stated that based on feedback from leadership that the General Assembly will deal with the state systems prior to dealing with the municipal systems and the City of Chicago, they asked Serafin to develop a two-year proposal to take us through the entire 98th General Assembly.

Mr. Fowler stated that the PFIC partners are meeting on March 18 to review the proposal with Serafin and begin discussions about what components we feel are important. Mr. Fowler stated that, in the interim, the Executive Board recommended authorizing up to \$30,000 in “seed” money to re-launch the efforts of the Coalition. The Executive Board further recommended that funds be expended to begin work on a new website prior to the full campaign launch.

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

2. *Recommended Bill Positions*

Mr. Fowler discussed four additional bill recommendations made by the Legislative Committee at their meeting earlier in the day. He stated that Mr. Bury sent legislative alerts out on Senator Link's RTA-CMAP merger bill and that HB 1377, which provides duty disability for injuries for firefighters participating in, or traveling to/from training exercises, is being held. The Executive Board and Legislative Committee recommended approval of the four bill positions attached to the meeting packet.

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

3. *NWMC Legislative Days in Springfield*

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

VII. Consent Agenda

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

- Monthly Budget Report and Warrant List for January 2013

VIII. Other Business

Trustee Preston stated that the Village of Niles has a concern regarding early voting and the ability to campaign outside early voting venues. President Braiman stated that early voting is treated the same way as regular voting but the signs must come down at the end of the day and put up again the next day. Trustee Roberts stated that Skokie received a letter from the States Attorney's office which he offered to share with Trustee Preston.

IX. For the Good of the Order

None.

X. Next Meeting

The next Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 10, 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 President Frum and approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

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