

NORTHWEST MUNICIPAL CONFERENCE

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Municipalities and Townships
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MEMBERS

- Antioch
- Arlington Heights
- Bannockburn
- Barrington
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- Buffalo Grove
- Deer Park
- Deerfield
- Des Plaines
- Elk Grove Village
- Evanston
- Fox Lake
- Glencoe
- Glenview
- Grayslake
- Hanover Park
- Highland Park
- Hoffman Estates
- Kenilworth
- Lake Bluff
- Lake Forest
- Lake Zurich
- Libertyville
- Lincolnshire
- Lincolnwood
- Morton Grove
- Mount Prospect
- Niles
- Northbrook
- Northfield
- Northfield Township
- Palatine
- Park Ridge
- Prospect Heights
- Rolling Meadows
- Schaumburg
- Skokie
- Streamwood
- Vernon Hills
- West Dundee
- Wheeling
- Wilmette
- Winnetka

- President*
- Daniel DiMaria
- Morton Grove

- Vice-President*
- Kathleen O'Hara
- Lake Bluff

- Secretary*
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- Ray Keller
- Lake Zurich

Executive Director
Mark L. Fowler

**NWMC Board Minutes
Wednesday, March 11, 2020
7:00 p.m.
Oakton Community College
Room 1604
1600 East Golf Road
Des Plaines, IL**

I. Call to Order

President DiMaria called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

President DiMaria lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Roll Call

Karol Heneghan called the Roll.

Members Present:

Arlington Heights, Mayor Thomas Hayes
 Bannockburn, Manager Maria Lasday
 Barrington, President Karen Darch
 Buffalo Grove, Mayor Beverly Sussman
 Deer Park, President Dale Sands
 Deerfield, Mayor Harriet Rosenthal
 Elk Grove Village, Manager Ray Rummel
 Evanston, Acting Deputy City Manager Sharon Johnson
 Glencoe, President Larry Levin
 Glenview, President James Patterson
 Hanover Park, Trustee Bob Prigge
 Hoffman Estates, Mayor Bill McLeod
 Lake Bluff, President Kathleen O'Hara
 Lake Zurich, Manager Ray Keller
 Lincolnwood, Trustee Jean Ikezoe-Halevi
 Morton Grove, Mayor Dan DiMaria, Administrator Ralph Czerwinski
 Mount Prospect, Trustee Michael Zadel
 Niles, Trustee John Jekot
 Park Ridge, Alderman John Moran
 Rolling Meadows, Manager Barry Krumstok
 Schaumburg, Mayor Tom Dailly
 Skokie, Trustee Randall Roberts, Assistant Village Manager Nick Wyatt
 West Dundee, President Chris Nelson

Members Absent:

- Antioch
- Bartlett
- Des Plaines
- Fox Lake
- Grayslake
- Highland Park
- Kenilworth
- Lake Forest
- Libertyville
- Lincolnshire

Northbrook	Northfield
Northfield Township	Palatine
Prospect Heights	Streamwood
Vernon Hills	Wheeling
Wilmette	Winnetka

Others in Attendance:

Marty Sussman, Buffalo Grove Resident
 Larry Bury, NWMC Deputy Director
 Ellen Dayan, NWMC Purchasing Director
 Marina Durso, NWMC Program Associate for Administrative Services
 Mark Fowler, NWMC Executive Director
 Karol Heneghan, NWMC Administrative Assistant/Office Manager
 Kendra Johnson, NWMC Program Associate for Transportation
 Matt Pasquini, NWMC Program Associate for Transportation

IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes – February 12, 2020

Motion to approve the minutes of February 12 was made by President Levin. It was seconded by President Darch and unanimously approved.

V. President’s Report – Daniel DiMaria, NWMC President and Mayor, Village of Morton Grove

A. March Board Meeting Presentation – NWMC Multimodal Plan

Mr. Fowler presented the NWMC Multimodal Transportation Plan, which builds upon the organization’s previous bicycle plans and expands the focus to include pedestrians and those who walk or bike to access transit. He said the backbone of plan is a network of 19 Priority Corridors, spanning 584 existing and potential route miles in the NWMC service territory. Additionally, he said sidewalks in each NWMC community were assessed and mapped to show the existing network as well as areas where sidewalks are absent or barriers impede a continuous network. Finally, he reported that the Plan identifies toolboxes, resources, implementation strategies and funding opportunities to implement projects and improve overall safety.

Mr. Fowler said that staff would work to publicize the plan this spring, including regional events with members, legislators and other stakeholders. President DiMaria said that the Transportation Committee and Executive Board recommended approval of the plan. Motion to approve the recommendation was made by Mayor Rosenthal. It was seconded by President Darch and unanimously approved.

B. FY2020-2021 NWMC Officer Nominations

Mr. Fowler reported that staff emailed the FY20-21 NWMC Officer Nomination Form to the Conference’s chief elected officials on February 20. He said that 8 responses have been received to date and nominations are due back to him by Friday, March 13. Mr. Fowler reported that the nominating committee is comprised of President DiMaria, Mayor Juracek, President Darch, Mayor Bogusz and Mayor McLeod, who will meet after the March 18 Legislative Committee meeting.

C. NWMC Communications Consultant Agreement for Services

President DiMaria reported that the Executive Board recommended approval of the agreement for services with NWMC Communications Consultant Steve Brown. Mr. Fowler reviewed Mr. Brown’s annual report and said that the agreement calls for no change in compensation during the term of the agreement, which runs from May 1, 2020 to April 30, 2022. Motion to approve the recommendation was made by President Levin. It was seconded by Mr. Zadel and unanimously approved.

D. NWMC Agreement for Audit Services

Mr. Fowler reported that the agreement for audit services with Wipfli LLP ended with the 2019 audit and with an oversight to that being the final year of the agreement, staff requested that Wipfli submit a proposal for 2020 audit services. Mr. Fowler noted that staff will send a RFP for audit services later this year. He said that Wipfli’s proposed fee for 2020 audit is \$11,300 which is a

\$200 increase over last year and that the Executive Board recommended approval of the proposal. Motion to approve the recommendation was made by President Levin. It was seconded by Mayor Rosenthal and unanimously approved.

E. NWMC Surplus Vehicle and Equipment Auction

Ms. Dayan reported that the next NWMC Surplus Vehicle & Equipment quarterly auction will be held on Tuesday, April 21 at 2:00 p.m. at America's Auction, 14001 S. Karlov Avenue in Crestwood. She requested that members register for the auction and said that auctions would also be held on July 21 and October 20.

F. IMET Board Appointment

President DiMaria reported that the Executive Board recommended the reappointment of Lake Zurich Innovation Director Michael Duebner to the Illinois Metropolitan Investment Fund Board of Directors. He said Mr. Duebner was appointed on November 25, 2019 to complete the term of new Barrington Village Manager Scott Anderson and that the reappointment would be for a full, three-year term through March 2023. Motion to approve the recommendation was made by President Levin. It was seconded by President Darch and unanimously approved.

VI. Priority Issues

A. Legislative Committee – Lawrence Levin, President, Village of Glencoe, Co-Chair and Arlene Juracek, Mayor, Village of Mount Prospect, Co-Chair

1. FY 2021 Illinois Budget

Mr. Fowler reported on Governor Pritzker's proposed FY 2021 budget that withholds a portion of the Local Government Distributive Fund, pending possible approval of the graduated income tax constitutional amendment on the November ballot. Mr. Fowler said that the Executive Board discussed whether the Conference should take a position on the Fair Tax Amendment. He said that, due to the differing opinions and impacts on NWMC members, the Executive Board did not take a position on the amendment.

2. Legislative Update

Mr. Bury reported on legislation under active consideration in the General Assembly, including: HB 322 Red Light Cameras; HB323 Home Rule Red Light Cameras; SB 2254 Exempt MFT; HB4704 Right to Garden; HB4744 First Responders Liabilities; and, SB2958 Property Tax TIF. Mayor Dailly reported that he met with Senator Gillespie on SB2958 and that she is determined to advance the bill as is.

3. Legislative Positions

Mr. Bury reported that the Executive Board and Legislative Committee recommended positions on bills as indicated in the packet. Motion to approve the recommendation was made by President Levin. It was seconded by Mr. Zadel and unanimously approved.

4. NWMC Legislative Days in Springfield

Mr. Fowler reported that all legislative and lobby days had been cancelled due to the Secretary of State's order limiting gatherings at the state capitol for the foreseeable future. He thanked those members who registered to attend and said that staff would send notice to all participants.

B. Transportation Committee – Rodney Craig, President, Village of Hanover Park, Co-Chair and Joan Frazier, President, Village of Northfield, Co-Chair

Final Reminder: Northwest and North Shore Council Call for STP-L Projects

Ms. Johnson reported that the Northwest and North Shore Councils of Mayors Call for Local Surface Transportation Program (STP-L) Projects applications were due by 5:00 p.m. on March 16. She said the applications should be submitted electronically either to her (for Northwest Council projects) or Matt Pasquini (for North Shore Council projects).

VII. Consent Agenda

Motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Mayor McLeod. It was seconded by Mayor Dailly and unanimously approved.

VIII. Other Business

Mr. Keller said that he and staff discussed the ability of the Conference to act in the event that in person meetings are not possible due to the Coronavirus situation. Mr. Fowler said that staff drafted an emergency power motion and read it to the members. Motion to approve the emergency power motion was made by Mayor Rosenthal. It was seconded by President Darch and unanimously approved.

IX. For the Good of the Order

None.

X. Next Meeting

President DiMaria advised that the next NWMC Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 15 at 7:00 p.m. at Oakton Community College, Room 1604, in Des Plaines. He noted the meeting is a week later than regularly scheduled due to the Passover holiday.

XI. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by President Levin. It was seconded by Mr. Czerwinski and unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.