

**NORTHWEST MUNICIPAL CONFERENCE**

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**NWMC Board  
Agenda  
Wednesday, October 9, 2024  
7:00 p.m.  
Oakton College  
Rooms 1604 and 1606  
1600 East Golf Road, Des Plaines, IL  
(map enclosed)**

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Roll Call**
- IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes – September 11, 2024 (Attachment A)**
- V. President’s Report – Rodney Craig, NWMC President and Mayor, Village of Hanover Park**
  - A. October Board Meeting Presentation – ComEd: Locating Data Centers**  
ComEd representatives will present at the Board meeting on the challenges and issues related to locating and constructing data centers.  
**Action Requested:** Informational
  - B. NWMC Fall Surplus Vehicle & Equipment Auction**  
The fall NWMC Surplus Vehicle and Equipment Auction is scheduled for October 22 and is the last live auction of the year. Thank you to *Deerfield, Evanston, Glenview, Lincolnwood, Oak Lawn, Olympia Fields, Palatine* and *Tinley Park* for signing up. As always vehicles and equipment can be listed for disposal at the NWMC auction right up to the morning of the auction day. In addition, America’s Auto Auction hosts online sales on par with other government surplus Internet auctions. Please remember that a portion of the proceeds helps support the organization’s operations.  
**Action Requested:** Informational
- VI. Priority Issues**
  - A. Legislative Committee – Eric Smith, President, Village of Buffalo Grove, Co-Chair and Greg Lungmus, President, Village of Northfield, Co-Chair**
    - 1. Veto Session**  
The General Assembly will convene for the fall veto session from Tuesday, November 12 to Thursday, November 14 and Tuesday, November 19 to Thursday, November 21. Staff will provide an update.  
**Action Requested:** Informational
    - 2. LGDF Strategy**  
The Legislative Committee discussed the Illinois Municipal League’s statewide approach to legislative advocacy in support of an 8% increase to the Local Government Distributive Fund (LGDF). IML CEO Brad Cole has been invited to the October NWMC Legislative Committee to discuss. Staff will report.  
**Action Requested:** Discussion

*Executive Director*  
Mark L. Fowler

**3. Pension Fairness Coalition Update**

The Pension Fairness for Illinois Communities Coalition partners, working with Serafin and Associates, have begun preparing the communication infrastructure and draft messaging for the upcoming legislative sessions. Staff will report.

*Action Requested:* Discussion

**B. Finance Committee – John Lockerby, Manager, Village of Skokie, Chair**

**1. FY2023-2024 Audit Draft (Attachment B)**

Seldon Fox has completed a draft of the audit report for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2024. The Executive Board and Finance Committee recommend acceptance of the audit.

*Action Requested:* Approve recommendation

**2. Budget Report and Purchase Journal (Attachments C, D, E)**

a. Budget Report and Purchase Journal from May 2024 (Attachment C)

b. Budget Report and Purchase Journal from June 2024 (Attachment D)

c. Budget Report and Purchase Journal from July 2024 (Attachment E)

*Action requested:* Approve May, June and July 2024 Budget Reports and Purchase Journals

**C. Transportation Committee – Donna Johnson, Mayor, Village of Libertyville, Co-Chair and Rodney Craig, President, Village of Hanover Park, Co-Chair**

**Senate Transportation Committee Transit Subject Matter Hearings**

At the September 19 Senate Transportation Committee subject matter hearing, Barrington Village President Karen Darch testified on behalf of the Conference. Staff will provide an update on the Senate hearing, the newly created House working group and discussions with the Regional Transportation Authority and service boards.

*Action Requested:* Discussion

**VII. Other Business**

**VIII. For the Good of the Order**

**IX. Next Meeting**

The next NWMC Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 13, 6:00 p.m. at the NWMC Offices and via videoconference.

**X. Adjournment**