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MEETING MINUTES, JULY 15, 2021 BOARD MEETING

Chairman Bill Barnes, Plainfield Fire called the June 15, 2021 meeting of the WESCOM Executive Board to order at 6:12 pm. The meeting was held at WESCOM and also conducted via telephone/Zoom conference for attendees and Facebook Live for the public pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order 2020-07.

Roll Call: Bill Barnes, Plainfield Fire; David Clark, Minooka Fire; Missey Schumacher, Village of Channahon; Colleen Prieboy, Elwood Fire; Paul Siegel, Lockport Fire; Ray Soliman, City of Crest Hill; Jim Kuzma, Northwest Homer Fire; John Argoudelis, Village of Plainfield; Clarence DeBold, Village of Shorewood; Ben Dietz, City of Wilmington and Bill Long, Wilmington Fire.

Not present – Village of Bolingbrook, Braidwood Fire, Channahon Fire, Village of Elwood, City of Lockport, Rockdale Fire, Troy Fire and Homer Fire.

Also present –Bob Baish Plainfield Fire Trustee; Chief Klima, Shorewood Police; Chief Stratton, Plainfield Fire; Chief Doyle, Troy Fire; WESCOM Executive Director Steve Rauter, WESCOM Deputy Director Pam Buzan, WESCOM Supervisor Erich Sommer along with WESCOM's Finance Assistant Brittany Lough and Executive Assistant Cindy Tooley.

Roll Call:

Village of Bolingbrook	<u>Absent</u>
Braidwood Fire Protection District	<u>Absent</u>
Channahon Fire Protection District	<u>Absent</u>
Village of Channahon	<u>Aye</u>
City of Crest Hill	<u>Aye</u>
Elwood Fire Protection District	<u>Aye</u>
Village of Elwood	<u>Absent</u>
Homer Twp Fire Protection District	<u>Absent</u>
City of Lockport	<u>Absent</u>
Lockport Twp Fire Protection District	<u>Aye</u>
Minooka Fire Protection District	<u>Aye</u>
Northwest Homer Fire Protection District	<u>Aye</u>
Plainfield Fire Protection District	<u>Aye</u>
Village of Plainfield	<u>Aye</u>
Rockdale Fire Protection District	<u>Absent</u>

Village of Shorewood	<u>Aye</u>
Troy Twp Fire Protection District	<u>Absent</u>
Wilmington Fire Protection District	<u>Aye</u>
City of Wilmington	<u>Aye</u>

Quorum established.

Public Input – None

Consent Agenda Items – January 21, 2021 Annual meeting minutes, Receive, accept, and place on file the retirement notification from Executive Director Steve Rauter effective September 24, 2021, and rescission of Resolution No. R-2020-03-31-01, a resolution to declare a civil emergency relative to the novel corona virus pending state and county action to cancel the Declaration of Disaster.

A motion was made by Dave Clark, Minooka Fire to approve the consent agenda as presented seconded by Bill Long, Wilmington Fire.

Roll Call Vote:

Village of Bolingbrook	<u>Absent</u>
Braidwood Fire Protection District	<u>Absent</u>
Channahon Fire Protection District	<u>Absent</u>
Village of Channahon	<u>Aye</u>
City of Crest Hill	<u>Aye</u>
Elwood Fire Protection District	<u>Aye</u>
Village of Elwood	<u>Absent</u>
Homer Twp Fire Protection District	<u>Absent</u>
City of Lockport	<u>Absent</u>
Lockport Twp Fire Protection District	<u>Aye</u>
Minooka Fire Protection District	<u>Aye</u>
Northwest Homer Fire Protection District	<u>Aye</u>
Plainfield Fire Protection District	<u>Aye</u>
Village of Plainfield	<u>Aye</u>
Rockdale Fire Protection District	<u>Absent</u>
Village of Shorewood	<u>Aye</u>
Troy Twp Fire Protection District	<u>Absent</u>
Wilmington Fire Protection District	<u>Aye</u>
City of Wilmington	<u>Aye</u>

Aye 11 Nay 0 Present 0 Not Present 8

Motion carried.

Unfinished Business – None

New Business – Discussion on the replacement/hiring plan for Executive Director Position. May need to hold a Special Executive Board meeting to present selection to Board.

A motion was made by Paul Siegel, Lockport Fire to enter into a closed meeting pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120, Section 2, (c) 11 to discuss the status of litigation and the wage and benefits of employees seconded by Dave Clark, Minooka Fire.

Roll Call Vote:

Village of Bolingbrook	<u>Absent</u>
Braidwood Fire Protection District	<u>Absent</u>
Channahon Fire Protection District	<u>Absent</u>
Village of Channahon	<u>Aye</u>
City of Crest Hill	<u>Aye</u>
Elwood Fire Protection District	<u>Aye</u>
Village of Elwood	<u>Absent</u>
Homer Twp Fire Protection District	<u>Absent</u>
City of Lockport	<u>Absent</u>
Lockport Twp Fire Protection District	<u>Aye</u>
Minooka Fire Protection District	<u>Aye</u>
Northwest Homer Fire Protection District	<u>Aye</u>
Plainfield Fire Protection District	<u>Aye</u>
Village of Plainfield	<u>Aye</u>
Rockdale Fire Protection District	<u>Absent</u>
Village of Shorewood	<u>Aye</u>
Troy Twp Fire Protection District	<u>Absent</u>
Wilmington Fire Protection District	<u>Aye</u>
City of Wilmington	<u>Aye</u>

Aye 11 Nay 0 Present 0 Not Present 8

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Paul Siegel, Lockport Fire to reconvene to open session seconded by Bill Long, Wilmington Fire.

Roll Call Vote:

Village of Bolingbrook	<u>Absent</u>
Braidwood Fire Protection District	<u>Absent</u>
Channahon Fire Protection District	<u>Absent</u>
Village of Channahon	<u>Aye</u>
City of Crest Hill	<u>Aye</u>
Elwood Fire Protection District	<u>Aye</u>
Village of Elwood	<u>Absent</u>
Homer Twp Fire Protection District	<u>Absent</u>
City of Lockport	<u>Absent</u>
Lockport Twp Fire Protection District	<u>Aye</u>
Minooka Fire Protection District	<u>Aye</u>

Northwest Homer Fire Protection District	<u>Aye</u>
Plainfield Fire Protection District	<u>Aye</u>
Village of Plainfield	<u>Aye</u>
Rockdale Fire Protection District	<u>Absent</u>
Village of Shorewood	<u>Aye</u>
Troy Twp Fire Protection District	<u>Absent</u>
Wilmington Fire Protection District	<u>Aye</u>
City of Wilmington	<u>Aye</u>

Aye 11 Nay 0 Present 0 Not Present 8

Motion carried.

No action to be taken as a result of closed session.

For the Good of the Order – Dan Anderson is no longer an officer on our Board and his seat will need to be replaced.

Missey Schumacher thanked Executive Director Rauter for his years of service and all his time put into WESCOM.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Bill Long, Wilmington Fire to adjourn the meeting at 6:36p.m. seconded by Dave Clark, Minooka Fire all in favor.

Roll Call Vote:

Village of Bolingbrook	<u>Absent</u>
Braidwood Fire Protection District	<u>Absent</u>
Channahon Fire Protection District	<u>Absent</u>
Village of Channahon	<u>Aye</u>
City of Crest Hill	<u>Aye</u>
Elwood Fire Protection District	<u>Aye</u>
Village of Elwood	<u>Absent</u>
Homer Twp Fire Protection District	<u>Absent</u>
City of Lockport	<u>Absent</u>
Lockport Twp Fire Protection District	<u>Aye</u>
Minooka Fire Protection District	<u>Aye</u>
Northwest Homer Fire Protection District	<u>Aye</u>
Plainfield Fire Protection District	<u>Aye</u>
Village of Plainfield	<u>Aye</u>
Rockdale Fire Protection District	<u>Absent</u>
Village of Shorewood	<u>Aye</u>
Troy Twp Fire Protection District	<u>Absent</u>
Wilmington Fire Protection District	<u>Aye</u>
City of Wilmington	<u>Aye</u>

Aye 11 Nay 0 Present 0 Not Present 8

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Mike Dillon, Secretary
WESCOM Executive Board