



Moving Forward – The League’s Next Century of Service to Nebraska’s Cities and Villages

LEAGUE OF NEBRASKA MUNICIPALITIES
2010 ANNUAL CONFERENCE
Sept. 22-24, Holiday Inn, Kearney



Conference Program

Wednesday, Sept. 22, 2010

9-11:30 am **Smaller and Larger Cities Legislative Committee Meetings**
(HELD CONCURRENTLY, BUT SEPARATELY)

Room B Smaller Cities

Room C Larger Cities

11 am **Registration** (for Preconference Seminar)

Prefunction Area

11:30 am **Golf: Meadowlark Hills Golf Course, 3300 30th Avenue.**

11:30 am-12:30 pm **Delegate Luncheon**

Ballroom 1

1-4 pm **Preconference Seminar: Coping with Budget Cuts. Thriving in the New Normal:** Ideas and strategies adopted by local governments to thrive in the new world of reduced funding.

Room B&C

By the Fall of 2010, the U.S. economy will be entering year two of the largest economic challenge since the Great Depression. The magnitude of the problem and strategies employed have varied by region and by state. What's a certainty; however, is that nearly all local governments will feel some impact from the economic crisis and all have the opportunity to innovate and change to thrive in the new environment. It's a game changing experience. This is the New Normal.

Martha Perego, International City/County Management Association Director of Ethics and Advocacy

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Thursday, Sept. 23, 2010

8 am **Registration in Prefunction Area**

Room DEF Visit Display Area (Coffee and Rolls Available)

8:30-8:45 am **Welcome**

Ballroom 1 *League President Annie Thomas, Council President, Auburn*

Host City Welcome by Stan Clouse, Mayor, Kearney

8:45-9:45 am **Natural Gas Rate Regulation Update:** What municipal officials need to know for your citizens/ratepayers

Ballroom 1 *Roger Cox, Attorney, Harding & Shultz; Public Advocate for the Nebraska Public Service Commission*

9:45-10 am **Break** (Visit Display Area)

Room DEF

10-11 am **Servant Leadership; Presentation of TeamMates Award to City of Hickman**

Ballroom 1 *Dr. Tom Osborne, Athletic Director, University of Nebraska; former Congressman*

11-11:15 am **Break** (Visit Display Area)

Room DEF

11:15 am-12:15 pm **League Legislative Report**

Ballroom 1 *L. Lynn Rex, Executive Director, LNM*

12:15-12:30 pm **Break** (Visit Display Area)

Room DEF

12:30-2 pm **Delegate Luncheon Honoring League Past Presidents**

Loper Hall *Remarks by League President Annie Thomas, Council President, Auburn*

*Guest Speaker: Lt. Gov. Rick Sheehy: **Emergency Management: Lessons learned from the flood of 2010***

2-2:15 pm **Break** (Visit Display Area)

Room DEF

Conference Program

Thursday, Sept. 23, 2010 (con't.)

2:15-3:15 pm

Ballroom 1

Concurrent Sessions:

A. TeamMates Training Session (Part 1)

To be certified as a mentor, you need to attend this session and Part 2 from 3:30-4:30.
Annette Woodhead, Western Regional Coordinator, TeamMates Mentoring Program

Ballroom 2

B. Labor Relations – CIR Update

(Session repeated at 3:30 pm)

Bill Harding, Attorney, Harding & Shultz; Labor and Employment Law Counsel for LNM; Legal Counsel for LARM

Room A&B

C. If Ethics Is Easy, Why Do So Many Get it Wrong? Interactive session on ethical challenges

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Room C

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Room C

Room 102

Section Meetings

City Managers/Administrators

Clerks

Larger Cities

Smaller Cities

Utilities Section

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Friday, Sept. 24, 2010

8:15 am

Room DEF

Registration in Prefunction Area

Visit Display Area (Coffee and Rolls Available)

8:30-9:30 am

Room A&B

Concurrent Sessions:

A. Regional Economic Development Strategies

(Session repeated at 9:45 am)

Lance Hedquist, City Administrator, South Sioux City

Mary Gohl, Advocating Business Labor Education (ABLE) Coordinator, Dawson Area Development

Room C

B. Drinking Water Protection and Funding Opportunities

(Session repeated at 9:45 am)

Ryan Chapman, Wellhead Protection Coordinator, Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality

Mary Schroer, Source Water Coordinator, Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality

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8:30-9:30 am

Ballroom 1

Concurrent Sessions: (con't.)

C. DEQ Deconstruction Grant Program: Learn about the new regulations to access this funding source
(Session repeated at 11:45 am)

Steve Danahy, Supervisor Waste Planning and Aid Unit, Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality

Ballroom 2

D. Americans with Disabilities Act Update: New ADA Amendments Act Passed by Congress in 2008 with New Requirements Effective Jan. 1, 2009

(Session repeated at 11:45 am)

Rich Sternadori, Nebraska Coordinator, Great Plains ADA Center, University of Missouri in Columbia

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D. Effective Economic Development Strategies: LB 840 programs, Local Civic, Cultural and Convention Center Financing Fund and legal ways to partner with your Chamber of Commerce

(Session repeated at 11:45 am)

Gary Krumland, Assistant Director/Legal Counsel, LNM

Break (Visit Display Area)

10:45-11 am

Room DEF

Annual Business Meeting

11-11:15 am

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Democratic Candidate for Governor Mike Meister

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Have a safe trip home! Please remember to buckle up!

1:30-5 pm

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Fire Chiefs Section Meeting



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Upcoming Conferences and Workshops

2011

Utilities Section Annual Conference, Jan. 12-14, Embassy Suites, Lincoln

Midwinter Conference, Feb. 28-March 1, Cornhusker Marriott Hotel, Lincoln

NLC Congressional City Conference, March 12-16, Washington, D.C.

Nebraska Municipal Clerk Institute and Academy, March 14-18, Holiday Inn Convention Center, Kearney

Municipal Accounting and Finance Conference, June 15-17, Ramada Inn, Kearney

League Annual Conference, Sept. 28-30, Cornhusker Marriott Hotel, Lincoln

NLC Annual Congress of Cities and Exposition, Nov. 8-12, Milwaukee, Wisconsin