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Wakefield's Dick Bolen Joins Michigan Municipal League Board of Trustees

LANSING, Michigan (May 2, 2011) – Wakefield City Councilmember Dick Bolen has been selected to serve in a statewide position as a member of the Michigan Municipal League Board of Trustees.

Mr. Bolen was appointed to the Board during the group's April meeting in Lansing, Michigan, announced Alpena Mayor and League Board President Carol Shafto. He was appointed to serve out a seat that had been vacated on the 19-member Board. His term is effective immediately and will expire October 2011.

Mr. Bolen is serving his fourth term on the Wakefield City Council. He served his first three council terms as mayor, beginning in 2004. As a councilmember, he has represented the city on various authorities and commissions. He is also a past member of the Wakefield School District Board of Education where he served as board president for nine years.

Mr. Bolen has been actively involved in economic development in Gogebic County where he has been a Gogebic County Economic Development Commission Board member since 1988. He served as EDC Chairman from 2004 to 2005.

Mr. Bolen is very active in veteran's affairs as a member of the Wakefield VFW and American Legion posts. He is also president-elect of the Wakefield-Bessemer Rotary Club. In December of 2010, he retired from Gogebic County where he served as the county forester from 1978 to 2000 and as director of forestry and parks from 2001 to 2010.

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