

MINUTES OF MEETING OF JUDICIARY & LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE
February 10, 2016
KCAB 2ND FLOOR COUNTY BOARD COMMITTEE ROOM

Members Present: Daniel Esposito, Ronald Johnson, John Poole, David Arrington, Boyd Frederick, YIG Sage Holloway, YIG Rianna Hrycay

Others Present: Capt. Ken Weyker, Lt. Gil Benn, Lt. Ken Urquhart, Sgt. Rory Zuerlein, Nancy Otis, Pat Maddox, Jesse Downing, Pat Juliana

Meeting Called to Order: 6:33 p.m. by Chairman Daniel Esposito

Citizen Comments: 6:33: None

Supervisor Comments: 6:33: None

Chairman Comments: 6:33: None

Minutes Read: 6:34: January 13, 2016 Meeting

Motion by: Frederick **Seconded by:** Poole **Approved:** unanimously

Resolutions from the Kenosha County Sheriff's Department:

1) Probationary Cabaret License – Grumpy's Pub & Grub

Motion by: Frederick **Seconded by:** Poole **Approved:** unanimously

6:34: Capt. Weyker presented the resolution. Grumpy's owner, Pat Maddox, attended the meeting. Weyker reported that there were no problems with the inspection. Karaoke style entertainment is planned. There have been no incidents to note. The Sheriff's Department has no objection to approval of this resolution. Chairman Esposito asked if this is the first application for the owner. Weyker replied yes, that he knows of.

2) Probationary Cabaret License – Tarbender's Bar & Grill

Motion by: R. Johnson **Seconded by:** Arrington **Approved:** NO

6:37: Capt. Weyker presented the resolution, accompanied by Lt. Urquhart and Sgt. Zuerlein. Weyker reported that the owner on the license changed, so a new application needed to be submitted. There have been issues over the past two years involving large groups and a hip hop style DJ. They are primarily open Thursday through Saturday. Incidents provided include shootings; and owners and security arm themselves. Milwaukee classifies this location as one with gang activity during events. Deputies have responded and been overwhelmed with the crowds, henceforth, compromising officer safety. City of Kenosha has been needed for backup.

Weyker does not know details of the new private security. He stated that he cannot offer his endorsement because he doubts that the business practice will change. They remain open and still have a liquor license. Incidents recalled included pepper spray deployment; a fight in March 2015 with an unmanageable crowd size; and a shooting in August 2015 with a male being shot. Thirty to forty rounds have been fired. An attempt at a thorough investigation was only met with uncooperative witnesses. People will not leave the roadway and do not listen to officers.

Supr. Poole directed Capt. Weyker to a deputy's statement that he does not see a reason that the cabaret license should not be approved. Capt. Weyker explained that this is in reference to the results of inspections that look at areas such as valid liquor license, floor plan, and licensed bartenders. The facility itself passes; it is the crowds that present the problems. Over the holidays they requested a special event license, however, the notice was too short to receive an approval.

Supr. R. Johnson asked for more information about the change in ownership. Weyker replied that the owner was listed as Jessie Downing's wife, now it is under Jessie's name. Supr. Arrington asked for details on changes to security and precautions taken. J. Downing reported that they hired a professional security group and that they are licensed to carry guns. Weyker stated that the timespan has not allowed any test of the new security company. Downing continued that the security firm was hired in mid-December. Weyker expressed his continued concerns of armed security needed at alcohol induced parties. He did state that past issues were with the previous security staff. This is not necessarily the establishment, and their ability to escort people out of the building; issues then also occur on the streets.

Esposito emphasized that he does not want to prevent anyone from making a living, however, this is a different matter when public safety is involved; this becomes a responsibility for County Representatives. Esposito asked if there have been any altercations since the new security company started. Downing replied no. He went on to say that after the pepper spray incident, they met with the Town of Somers Board, who told them that they need to clear the parking lot. They have complied with this.

Poole asked if the Lt. and Sgt. present had anything to add. Zuerlein commented as to needing to ask other departments for assistance, even up to five KPD squads. Urquhart added traffic issues such as controlling egress and hit and runs. They have worked with Downing in the past and asked them to add better cameras, however, they were not added. They were not legally allowed to carry pepper spray. Ongoing procedure is now the responsibility to see if the bar is open, and then to assign deputies to check the crowd and monitor.

Resolution was not approved based on a vote with R. Johnson and Arrington approving; Esposito and Poole dissenting; and Frederick abstaining.

3) 2015 Traffic Control for Amazon Fulfillment Center, Recognize Revenue Earned and Modify Expenditure Budgets

Motion by: Frederick **Seconded by:** Arrington **Approved:** unanimously

7:04: Nancy Otis presented the resolution to apply \$42,700.76 in revenue from Amazon to the Overtime and Benefit budgets of the Patrol Division. Traffic control was provided at the employee parking entrances to control congestion at shift changes during their busy season beginning November 16, 2015 and ending December 23, 2015. Esposito asked for confirmation that this did not affect taxpayers and Otis confirmed. This is just to account for the revenue in the budget.

4) WI D.O.T. Bureau of Transportation Safety (BOTS) – Alcohol Enforcement Grants 2015-2016

Motion by: Frederick **Seconded by:** Arrington **Approved:** unanimously

7:06: Otis presented this resolution to accept a total of \$8,407 through a partnership with Racine County Sheriff's Department to participate in traffic control enforcement. Esposito asked for confirmation that no tax dollars are needed. Otis confirmed and reported that any unspent money would be carried over to next year.

Kenosha County Sheriff's Department Fourth Quarter and Year End Federal Inmate/Detainee Revenue Report:

7:08: Handout supplied by Otis included yearly figures and a final average daily hold of 198.14. These totals are based on the full year, not averages by month as previously reported. Esposito asked if January 2016 numbers are up and Otis replied yes, at about 247 and about 236 for February so far. Frederick asked if overtime goes down when the population goes down. Otis replied that they still cannot reduce staff coverage of the areas; the only thing that makes an impact is if a dorm or area can be closed.

***Resolutions from the Kenosha County Sheriff's Department, Field Operations Division,
Bureau of Emergency Management:***

1) 2015 HMEP/WEM Grant – Kenosha County Commodity Flow Study/Training Needs Assessment

Motion by: Poole ***Seconded by:*** R. Johnson ***Approved:*** unanimously

7:10: Lt. Benn presented this resolution to accept \$10,205.74 from the State of Wisconsin Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Grant Program to have a Commodity Flow Study/Training Needs Assessment for Kenosha County for emergencies resulting from a rail incident. Consultant will reach out to agencies to determine their training level and future planning needed. Determinations will be made as to the volume and types of hazardous materials going through our county. This study will provide valuable information for all responding agencies within the county. Grant will cover all consultant costs. No match or levy is needed.

2) 2015 HMEP/WEM Grant – Kenosha County Rail Plan Creation

Motion by: Frederick ***Seconded by:*** Arrington ***Approved:*** unanimously

7:13: Lt. Benn presented this resolution to accept \$6,246.66 from the State of Wisconsin Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Grant Program to create a rail plan for Kenosha County for emergencies resulting from a rail incident. This plan will outline information and guidelines for all responding agencies within the county. Grant will cover all consultant costs. No match or levy is needed.

Any Other Business Allowed by Law: 7:15: None

Meeting Adjourned: 7:15 p.m. on motion by Poole, seconded by Johnson.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donna L. DeBree