

KENOSHA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COUNTY BOARD CHAMBERS

COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

November 12, 2003

The **Public Hearing** was called to order by Chairman Kessler at 7:00 p.m., in the County Board Room located in the Administration Building.

Roll call was taken.

Present: Supervisors Kessler, Grady, Boyer, Rose, Huff, Molinaro, Bergo, Carbone, Modory, Faraone, Johnson, Pitts, O'Day, Singer, Montemurro, Larsen, Clark, Noble, West, Kerkman, Gorlinski, Smitz, Elverman, Ekornaas, Ruffolo, Marrelli, Carey-Mielke.

Excused: Supervisor Wisnefski.

Present. 27. Excused. 1.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Debra Jacobson, Kenosha County Employee, Division of Workforce Development in Economic Support. Stated there are four part-time employees in the Economic Support Division and could potentially be laid off in January 2004. There has been a significant increase in customer needs. The cuts should be made in contractual positions.

Jack Rice, 1619-21st Street spoke in support of the Funding for the Kemper Center. Kemper Center adds to the quality of life for everyone.

Don Jensen, 5204-70th Street, Kenosha. Spoke as a member of the Board of Directors of the Kenosha County Historical Society. The continued financial support from the County is important.

Grace Kolakowski a volunteer for the Lighthouse and Historical Center for the last 17 years. Stated our Historical Center gives us our heritage and roots.

Tom Schlieff, 5913 1/2 - 6th Avenue, Executive Director of the History Center. Stated The History Center has been in the paper a lot because of all the events going on.

Elizabeth Brown, 6926-2nd Avenue, Kenosha, stated that the Kenosha County Historical Society and its place in the fabric of our lives.

June Pomatto, 581-11th Place, Kenosha, stated she supports funding for Kemper Center. She is an active artist in Kenosha. She had taught art for 25 years. Art in the community is very important.

E.J. Potente, 408-68th Street, Kenosha, supports funding for Kemper Center. His family has been involved in interior design and painting in this community since 1920. Kemper Center enhances Kenosha's image and appeal.

Christine DeYoung, 11358-42nd Avenue, Pleasant Prairie. Stated her daughter wants to get married in Kemper Center. Over 3,000 3rd grade teachers and students are invited every year to share Kemper Center.

Carol Apyan, Chicago. Stated she was born in Kenosha and her family had Apyan Rugs in Kenosha. The value in education that Kemper Center brings is invaluable. Take the tour of The Durkee Mansion.

Menica Phillips, 711-61st Street stated that Kemper Center needs the support from the County. Kemper is a architectural treasurer. In 1976 it received National recognition when it was listed officially on the National Register of Historical Places.

Alice Shelly, 4518-120 Street, President of Kenosha County Historical Society thanks the County Board for all the effort put into the County Budget. Any major cut in their organization will be devastating.

Claudia Volpentesta, Economic Support Specialist for Kenosha County stated that the number of people applying for assistance is increasing and it continues to grow. Eliminating employees is not the answer.

Theresa Hannes, First Unit Chair of Local 990, stated that she is disappointed at the decisions made by this administration and board members to achieve what they are calling a balanced budget. The total disregard given to the Department of Human Services 35 page document regarding proposed 2004 contractual Services totally thirty million, one hundred thirty-six thousand, five hundred fifteen dollars with a levy cost of one million, seven hundred fifty five thousand, two hundred forth-five dollars. Why is there no scrutiny by this board when it comes to contractual positions? Is there a duplication of services? Are these services mandated and even necessary? And, at whose justification? There is not a scrutiny of each contract.

Bob Danbeck, 7626-27th Avenue, stated that since October 1st there has been a 35% increase in the number of rounds at both Kenosha County Golf Courses. He recommends that a management position should be deleted because it's too top heavy. How can the County Board even consider cutting positions when they are receiving free health insurance paid for by the taxpayers. How much is this costing the taxpayers? Get rid of your health insurance and use the money for Kemper Center, Historical Society and the Kenosha County Golf Courses.

Ray Forgianni, 8731-45th Avenue, stated that as the national economy changes so does our local economy. Days of basic manufacturing supporting local communities is passing. It is being internationalized. The trend in our country is to move towards more service and knowledge based industries and the knowledge is based on the employee and where the employee lives and works. This requires a culture. The cultural parts of our community need to be enhanced. Please subsidize Kemper Center and the Historical Society.

Supervisor Carbone presented the 2004 Budget.

It was moved by Supervisor Bergo to adjourn. Seconded by Supervisor Kerkman.

Motion carried.

The **Organization Meeting** was called to order by Chairman Kessler immediately following the **Public Hearing**.

Roll call was taken.

Present: Supervisors Kessler, Grady, Boyer, Rose, Huff, Molinaro, Bergo, Carbone, Modory, Faraone, Johnson, Pitts, O'Day, Singer, Montemurro, Larsen, Clark, Noble, West, Kerkman, Gorlinski, Smitz, Elverman, Ekornaas, Ruffolo, Marrelli, Carey-Mielke.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS OF THE CHAIRMAN

Chairman Kessler stated that as far as the tax equity phase two report is concerned, on Thursday, August 28 the Tax Equity Steering Committee met to discuss the progress of phase two. Many concepts were communicated. A final draft will be drafted soon.

Chairman Kessler stated tomorrows meeting will be starting at 7:00 p.m.

Chairman Kessler stated that Supervisor Carbone has been re-appointed as Vice-Chairman of the WCA Judicial and Public Safety Steering Committee.

Chairman Kessler asked everyone to consider and participate in the United Way.

Chairman Kessler stated that invitations for the Annual Christmas Party are on each one's desk.

Chairman Kessler asked everyone to fill out the mileage forms and return it to the County Clerk's Office.

OLD BUSINESS

Ordinances - second reading, two required.

ORDINANCE 31

31. From Highway & Parks Committee regarding Repealing and Recreating Ordinance's on Speed Limits for CTH "F" from CTH "O" Easterly to a Point 0.80 Miles East of its West Intersection with CTH "KD".

It was moved by Supervisor Elverman to adopt Ordinance 31. Seconded by Supervisor Pitts.

Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 32

32. From Highway & Parks Committee regarding Repealing and Recreating Ordinance's on Speed Limits for CTH "K" from 60th Avenue to Interstate Highway 94.

It was moved by Supervisor Elverman to adopt Ordinance 32. Seconded by Supervisor Noble.

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolutions - one reading.

RESOLUTION 76

76. From Extension Education and Finance Committees regarding UW-Extension 2003 Budget Modification - Other Operating Supplies Account.

It was moved by Supervisor Modory to adopt Resolution 76. Seconded by Supervisor Carbone.

2/3 vote required.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 77

77. From Finance Committee regarding Bills over \$5,000.00.

It was moved by Supervisor Carbone to adopt Resolution 77. Seconded by Supervisor Rose.

Motion carried.

CLAIMS

47. Barry Lawler - tire damage.
 48. Frank Dunn - encroachment on property.
 49. Richard & Sandra Kuchnia - encroachment on property.
 50. Jerry Barr - denial of due process.
 51. Michael Grossman - county crew cut down trees.
- Chairman Kessler referred claims 47 thru 51 to the Corporation Counsel.

It was moved by Supervisor Boyer to approve of the October 21, 2003 minutes. Seconded by Supervisor Clark.

Motion carried.

It was moved by Supervisor Gorlinski to adjourn sine die. Seconded by Supervisor O'Day.

Motion carried.

The **Annual Meeting** was called to order by Chairman Kessler immediately following the **Organizational Meeting**.

Roll call was taken.

Present: Supervisors Kessler, Grady, Boyer, Rose, Huff, Molinaro, Bergo, Carbone, Modory, Faraone, Johnson, Pitts, O'Day, Singer, Montemurro, Larsen, Clark, Noble, West, Kerkman, Gorlinski, Smitz, Elverman, Ekornaas, Ruffolo, Marrelli, Carey-Mielke.

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NEW BUSINESS

Policy Resolution - first reading, two required.

POLICY RESOLUTION 1

1. From Finance Committee regarding 2004 Kenosha County Budget.

It was moved by Supervisor Singer to adjourn. Seconded by Supervisor Grady.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Prepared by: Pam Young
Chief Deputy
Submitted by: Edna R. Highland
County Clerk