

**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".

The County Board of Supervisors of Kenosha County, Wisconsin do ordain as follows:

A portion of existing Kenosha County Ordinance, Section 7.02 on TRAFFIC CONTROLS is hereby repealed:

Section 7.02 Speed Limits

(12) County Trunk Highway "F"

- (a) 35 m.p.h. from its intersection with County Trunk Highway "EM" easterly to a point 0.80 of a mile east of its west intersection with County trunk Highway "KD". (6/5/01)

A portion of existing Kenosha County Ordinance, Section 7.02 on TRAFFIC CONTROLS is hereby recreated:

Section 7.02 Speed Limits

- (12) County Trunk Highway "F"

- (a) 35 m.p.h. from its intersection with County Trunk Highway "O" easterly to a point 0.80 of a mile east of its west intersection with County Trunk Highway "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.

The County Board of Supervisors of Kenosha County, Wisconsin do ordain as follows:

A portion of existing Kenosha County Ordinance, Section 7.02 on TRAFFIC CONTROLS is hereby repealed:

Section 7.02 Speed Limits

- (18) County Trunk Highway "K", City of Kenosha.

(C-492) 35 m.p.h. from its intersection with State Trunk Highway 31, easterly to the west corporate limits of the City of Kenosha.

- (18.1) County Trunk Highway "K", City of Kenosha.

45 m.p.h. from its intersection with the East Frontage Road of I-94 easterly to its intersection with CTH "HH". (5/15/90)

- (19) County Trunk Highway "K", City of Kenosha and Town of Somers.

35 m.p.h. from a point 0.8 of a mile west of its intersection with State Trunk Highway 31, easterly to said intersection. (2/3/98)

A portion of existing Kenosha County Ordinance, Section 7.02 on TRAFFIC CONTROLS is hereby recreated:

Section 7.02 Speed Limits

- (18) County Trunk Highway "K"

35 m.p.h. from its intersection with 60<sup>th</sup> Avenue westerly to its intersection with County Trunk Highway "H".

- (19) County Trunk Highway "K"

45 m.p.h. from its intersection with County Trunk Highway "H" westerly to its intersection with I-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.

**WHEREAS**, Kenosha County UW-Extension has received a two separate grants from the UW-Extension Cooperative Extension Emerging Ag Markets teams for a virtual farmer's market and a Southeast Wisconsin direct marketing project, and

**WHEREAS**, Kenosha County UW-Extension has received a grant from Head Start for nutrition education programs, and

**WHEREAS**, Kenosha County UW-Extension has received a grant from Next Generation Now for nutrition education programs, and

**WHEREAS**, Kenosha County UW-Extension has received a grant from the Miller Brewing Company Employee fund for the Field of Dreams, and

**WHEREAS**, county levy remains unaffected by this budget amendment,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the 2003 Kenosha County UW-Extension budget be amended as reflected in the attached Expense/Revenue Budget Modification Form incorporated herein by reference, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Kenosha County UW-Extension Other Operating Supplies budget may be modified between appropriation units as necessary to reflect grant expenditures, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Kenosha County UW-Extension Other Operating Supplies budget may be modified to increase the grant revenues and corresponding expenditures if a grant award comes in higher than expected and any expended dollars as of December 31, 2003, should be rolled over into the 2004 budget.

Submitted by:

EXTENSION EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Mark Modory

Brenda Carey-Mielke

Joe Montemurro

Ava Marrelli

Joe Clark

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Robert Carbone

Terry Rose

John O'Day

Robert Pitts

Gordon West

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.

**WHEREAS**, the Wisconsin State Statutes provides that the County Board may act on all bills over \$10,000.00 and

**WHEREAS**, the County Resolution requires that the Finance Committee must act on all bills over \$5,000.00, and

**NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED**, that the following bills be approved for payment:

KENOSHA COUNTY PAYMENT GROUPS BILLS OVER \$5,000.00

APPROVAL BY FINANCE COMMITTEE AND COUNTY BOARD ARE REQUIRED:

DIVISIONS

PAYMENT GROUPS

Finance Grouping #1

\$1,210,849.93

Personnel Grouping #1

\$ 475,552.15

Disability Services #1 & #2

\$ 65,629.52

Payment Groups Grand Total:

\$1,752,031.60

RE-SUBMIT PV 3036644 approved on Resolution #53, on 8/19/03 in amount of \$101,000.00 is now submitted on the amount of \$89,814.23.

Submitted by:

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Robert Carbone

Terry Rose

Robert Pitts

John O'Day

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.

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Excused: Supervisor Wisnefski.

Present. 27. Excused. 1.

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