

KENOSHA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COUNTY BOARD CHAMBERS

COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

September 3, 2002

The **Regular Meeting** was called to order by Chairman Kessler at 7:30 p.m., in the County Board Room located in the Administration Building. Roll call was taken.

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

Excused: Supervisors Marrelli, Wisnefski, Gorlinski.

Present. 25. Excused. 3.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Carol Zieseemer, 11234-9th Avenue, Pleasant Prairie, treasurer for Kenosha Ice Association spoke regarding Kenosha Ice Arena. The regular users are the Blue Line Hockey Club, Learn to Skate Program, Free Style Figure Skaters, WIAA High School Hockey and the JHL Hockey League. This past year during the hockey season there were 33,800 people who took to the ice. Each time a person skated it was counted but some skate more than once a week. The month before and the month after hockey season there were 18,200 skaters. There were more skaters this year than last year. As a citizen of Kenosha she would be very sad if the Ice Arena was not available to the people who use it.

Raffael Montemurro, 2521-29th Avenue, Kenosha, stated that there is supposed to be a check & balance system like between the person that prepares the budget and the County Executive, Director of Finance and the County Board with the committee system. Another thing that is the single largest expense of the levy is the labor cost for the employees with benefits. The cost of the 6-2 to date is not available and should be. There is no accountability in this administration and this board should be very critical of the budget.

CHAIRMAN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Kessler stated that the Council of Governments Meeting is scheduled for this coming Saturday and everyone should be notified of the exact date and time.

Chairman Kessler announced that NACo President Ken Mayfield appointed Supervisor Carbone to the Justice and Public Safety Steering Committee as vice-chairman, Supervisor Pitts was appointed to the Highway Steering Committee as vice-chairman. George Melcher, Director of Planning & Development was appointed to the Land Use and Energy Steering Committee. Edna Highland, County Clerk has been appointed to Community & Economic Development Steering Committee. Laborfest was cancelled due to weather. Receiving accommodations in the mail are Bill Frank, Russ Beckman and Matt Lowen.

SUPERVISOR REPORTS

Supervisor Pitts stated that at the last meeting he requested a report from the KHCP and as of today he has not had any response. He and everyone else is entitled to an explanation. This is public record.

Supervisor Johnson stated that he also has been appointed to the Land Use and Energy Steering Committee.

Supervisor Rose stated that the time has come for this board to make the decision regarding to continuing our membership in the Kenosha Health Care Partners Corporation. Past history show that KHCP has never been forthcoming with reports. We all pay different rates. The City pays less than the County. Where is the savings? He doubts that over the years we have saved fourteen million dollars. He is requesting that Corporation Counsel draft a resolution terminating our membership in KHCP. We need a better bargaining position instead of a position of weakness.

Supervisor Singer finds it interesting that Supervisor Rose wants a resolution brought to the County Board that would break a contract we are currently in. There might be a considerable cost. A reminder to Supervisor

Pitts. When he was on the Administration Committee he had asked for the same thing and it was told to him then that we do have a report and Mr. Geersten has it and if he wanted to see it he can go to Mr. Geersten's Office and look at it. It has been there for a year and a half. Also, Supervisors Reports has turned into Supervisors Comments and or Opinions.

Supervisor Ruffolo stated that a few months ago he asked the Legislative Committee to look into E-Government Initiative that Racine adopted. Documents are available on the Internet. Has an attempt been made to contact Racine's County Clerk or Racine's Legislative Committee?

Supervisor Molinaro stated that what Supervisor Rose is requesting is what has been talked about for months. Proposals for health care are being searched out as is done every time the contract comes due. If anyone wants information call and ask for it. He would like to have the Legislative Committee come up with some guide lines for supervisors reports. So far it has just been debate.

Supervisor Elverman stated that the Highway & Parks Committee will be meeting on September 9th, at Hwy 45 & 50. The main item on the agenda is a resolution endorsing SEWRPC Southeastern Wisconsin regional Freeway System Reconstruction Study and Preliminary Recommended Plan. Another item will be the construction of the building that burned at Brightondale Golf Course. The insurance company has not named a contractor.

Supervisor Carey-Mielke stated that she got on the NACo internet site and got all the information that went on at the conference.

County Executive Appointments

- 23. Jim I. Schmidt to serve on the Kenosha County Veterans Commission.
- 24. Rosa L. Morris to serve on the Kenosha County Specialized Transportation Commission.
- 25. Jeffery A. Kindrai to serve on the Kenosha County Local Emergency Planning Committee.
- 26. Dave McGrath to serve on the Kenosha County Local Emergency Planning Committee.

Chairman Kessler referred County Executive Appointments 23 and 24 to the Human Services Committee and 25 & 26 to the Judiciary & Law Committee.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolutions - one reading.

RESOLUTION 41

41. 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:

<u>DIVISIONS</u>	<u>PAYMENT GROUPS</u>
FINANCE GROUPING # 1	\$ 555,174.26
DISABILITY GROUPING # 1	\$ 89,974.19
PAYMENT GROUPS GRAND TOTAL:	\$ 645,148.19

Submitted by:
FINANCE COMMITTEE
Robert Carbone
John O'Day
Terry Rose
Gordon West
Robert Pitts

It was moved by Supervisor Carbone to approve Resolution 41. Seconded by Supervisor Rose. Supervisor Clark abstained from voting on Women's Horizons. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 42

42. From Finance Committee Authorizing Sale and Transfer of County Tax Deeded Property to the Town of Salem.

WHEREAS, Kenosha County has acquired tax deed & title to parcel # 66-4-120-291-2600 in the Town of Salem, County of Kenosha, State of Wisconsin, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Salem has expressed an interest in acquiring title to this property, which would be utilized as park area in the Valmar Subdivision, and

WHEREAS, Sections 59.07(1)(c) and 75.69(2) of the Wisconsin Statutes permits sale of this property to a municipality.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Kenosha County execute a quit claim deed on the above parcel to the Town of Salem for one dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration and on the condition that said Town of Salem waive any and all special assessments that are due and owing on said parcel to be utilized for park purposes.

Submitted by:

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Robert Carbone

Terry Rose

John O'Day

Robert Pitts

Gordon West

It was moved by Supervisor Carbone to adopt Resolution 42. Seconded by Supervisor O'Day.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 43

43. From Finance Committee Authorizing Sale and Transfer of County Tax Deeded Property to the City of Kenosha.

WHEREAS, Kenosha County has acquired tax deed & title to parcel 05-123-06-280-001 in the City of Kenosha, County of Kenosha, State of Wisconsin, and

WHEREAS, the City of Kenosha has expressed an interest in acquiring title to this property, which the City of Kenosha Housing Authority is planning on constructing new homes in this area & this lot is needed to complete the plan, and

WHEREAS, Sections 59.07(1)(c) and 75.69(2) of the Wisconsin Statutes permits sale of this property to a municipality.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Kenosha County execute a quit claim deed on the above parcel to the City of Kenosha for one dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration and on the condition that said City of Kenosha waive any and all special assessments that are due and owing on said parcel to be utilized for construction of a new home.

Submitted by:

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Robert Carbone

Terry Rose

John O'Day

Robert Pitts

Gordon West

It was moved by Supervisor Carbone to adopt Resolution 43. Seconded by Supervisor Pitts.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 44

44. From Human Services, Building & Grounds, Highway & Parks and Finance Committees regarding Kenosha County Department of Human Services and the Department of Public Works for changes to 2001 carryover and 2002 Capital Budget.

WHEREAS, the Kenosha County Department of Public Works and Department of Human Services developed a 2002 budget for Capital expenditures, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Human Services, Division of Health will be relocated to the newly remodeled Human Services Building and this will necessitate that certain obsolete laboratory equipment be replaced and installed to provide appropriate levels of compliance with safety and standards, and

WHEREAS, the Division of Health's laboratory equipment is used to provide testing services in the areas of clinical microbiology (human bacteria testing), serology (blood testing), forensic (drug testing) and other

analytical chemistry and environmental bacteriology (drinking and recreational water testing), and

WHEREAS, the Department of Human Services, Division of Health is requesting a modification in the Capital budget for \$195,778 to replace obsolete equipment, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works is requesting a modification in the Capital budget for the replacement of two existing vehicles for \$55,000, and elimination of the double drum roller for \$75,000, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works has carryover funds and savings from 2002 equipment purchases and is therefore requesting a modification to the Capital budget for the purchase of laboratory equipment for Division of Health and replacement vehicles for the Department of Public Works, and

WHEREAS, County levy remains unaffected by this resolution;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kenosha County Department of Human Services, Division of Health and Department of Public Works budget be modified as follows:

Authorize the modification of Capital budget expenditures by \$250,778, per the attached budget modification incorporated herein by reference.

Submitted by:

HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE
Eunice Boyer
Anne Bergo
Darrell Haen
Don Smitz
John O'Day

BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE
Mark Wisnefski
Mark Molinaro, Jr.
Anne Bergo
Doug Noble
Gordon West

It was moved by Supervisor Boyer to adopt Resolution 44. Seconded by Supervisor Elverman.

Motion carried unanimously.

Claims.

19. Michael A. Lamping - lost contacts while incarcerated.

20. Doug Swenson - car damage from tar.

21. Kenneth Monson - car damage from gravel.

Chairman Kessler referred Claims 19 thru 21 to the Corporation Counsel.

It was moved by Supervisor Montemurro to approve the minutes as amended.

Seconded by Supervisor Carey-Mielke.

Motion carried.

It was moved by Supervisor Molinaro to adjourn. Seconded by Supervisor Larsen.

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

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