

**KENOSHA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**COUNTY BOARD CHAMBERS COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING**

**October 17, 2006**

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

Roll call was taken.

Present: Supervisors Rose, Rossow, Kessler, Huff, Kubicki, Marrelli, Booth, Carbone, Arrington, Faraone, Ronald Johnson, O'Day, Singer, Nudo, Moore, Molinaro, Wisnefski, Jackson, Clark, Noble, West, Roger Johnson, Breunig, Haas, Elverman, Ekornaas.

Excused: Supervisors Grady, Michel.

Present: 26. Excused: 2.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Members of Youth as Resources (YAR), a youth led organization that is housed at Kenosha County UW Extension spoke regarding their organization. They tackle a range of social issues that concern them, from health, education, environment, drug abuse, gangs illiteracy and crime. The Kenosha County YAR program is governed by a board of youth and adults who share a responsibility for it's management with the YAR program coordinator.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS OF THE CHAIRMAN**

Chairman Rose congratulated Supervisor Ronald Johnson on being re-appointed by the president of NACo to the Environment Energy and Land Use Steering Committee. He stated that he and Supervisors Johnson, Carbone and Clark attended the convention in Chicago this summer and it was very worth while. Chairman Rose announced the Christmas party will be December 19<sup>th</sup> in place of the regular meeting, 6:00 at the Kemper Center.

**SUPERVISOR REPORTS**

Supervisor Huff stated the report on the County Board size will be presented to the Legislative Committee in November at which time they will look it over and take some action if necessary. He thanked Supervisor Faraone for her help getting ballot information on city access channel 25.

Supervisor Carbone stated copies of the audit has been placed on the Supervisors desks. Questions can be directed to the Finance Department.

Supervisor Molinaro reported on the efforts the UW Extension Committee has been doing with Youth in Governance. Minutes of a meeting facilitated by Annie Jones of the Extension Office are on the Supervisors desks. They went through the process of evaluating and defining the process of what the goals and objectives are for involving youth in the county board and county government. The intention is to put together the right program involving youth in the county board and to bring forward a resolution of support and hopefully get something kicked off next school year.

Supervisor Noble stated the issue of the KRM, the commuter rail to Milwaukee is out. If anyone is interested they can either contact Supervisor Noble or go to [www.krmonline.org](http://www.krmonline.org) and register to get a copy sent.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinances - one reading

**ORDINANCE 26**

26. From the Land Use Committee regarding Berwick Properties, Inc., (Owner), Town of Somers (Buyer) requesting rezoning from A-2 General Agricultural District to I-1 Institutional District in the Town of Somers.

It was moved by Supervisor Ekornaas to adopt Ordinance 26. Seconded by Supervisor Roger Johnson.

At this time Corporation Counsel Frank Volpintesta stated if a supervisor wishes to abstain from a vote, they need to make that announcement prior the chairman calling for the vote. As soon as he calls for the vote the vote is to be taken.

Roll call vote.

Ayes: Supervisors Rose, Rossow, Kessler, Huff, Kubicki, Marrelli, Booth, Carbone, Arrington, Faraone, Ronald Johnson, O'Day, Singer, Nudo, Moore, Molinaro, Wisnefski, Noble, West, Roger Johnson, Breunig, Haas, Elverman, Ekornaas.

Abstain: Supervisors Jackson, Clark.

Ayes: 24. Abstain: 2.

Motion carried.

**ORDINANCE 27**

27. From the Land Use Committee regarding Great Northern Development Group, LLC, requesting rezoning from A-1 Agricultural Preservation District, C-2 Upland Resource Conservancy District and C-1 Lowland Resource Conservancy District to A-2 General Agricultural District, R-1 Rural Residential District, C-2 Upland Resource Conservancy District and C-1 Lowland Resource Conservancy District in the Town of Bristol.

It was moved by Supervisor Ekornaas to adopt Ordinance 27. Seconded by Supervisor Nudo.

Roll call vote.

Ayes: Supervisors Rose, Rossow, Kessler, Huff, Kubicki, Marrelli, Booth, Carbone, Arrington, Faraone, Ronald Johnson, O'Day, Singer, Nudo, Moore, Molinaro, Wisnefski, Clark, Noble, West, Roger Johnson, Breunig, Haas, Elverman, Ekornaas.

Abstain: Supervisor Jackson.

Ayes: 25 Abstain: 1

Motion carried.

**ORDINANCE 28**

28. From the Land Use Committee regarding Hawksview Partners, LLC requesting rezoning from A-1 Agricultural Preservation District to R-2 Suburban Single-Family Residential District in the Town of Wheatland.

It was moved by Supervisor Ekornaas to adopt Ordinance 28. Seconded by Supervisor Jackson.

Motion carried.

**ORDINANCE 29**

29. From the Land Use Committee regarding Edward Vanderwerff requesting rezoning from A-1 Agricultural Preservation District to A-3 Agricultural Related Manufacturing, Warehousing and Marketing District in the Town of Brighton.

It was moved by Supervisor Ekornaas to adopt Ordinance 29. Seconded by Supervisor Roger Johnson.

Motion carried.

Resolutions - one reading

**RESOLUTION 43**

43. From the Building and Grounds and Finance Committees a Resolution to Grant an Electric Power Utility Easement to WE Energies on part of the New Kenosha County Parking Garage Structure at 920 54<sup>th</sup> Street.

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

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 44**

44. From the Extension Education and Finance Committees UW-Extension 2006 budget modification - North Central region - The Farmer/Chef Connection Grant.

It was moved by Supervisor Marrelli to adopt Resolution 44. Seconded by Supervisor Carbone.

Roll call vote.

Ayes: Supervisors Rose, Rossow, Kessler, Huff, Kubicki, Marrelli, Carbone, Arrington, Faraone, Ronald Johnson, O'Day, Singer, Nudo, Moore, Molinaro, Wisnefski, Jackson, Clark, Noble, West, Roger Johnson, Breunig, Haas, Elverman, Ekornaas.

Abstain: Supervisor Booth.

Ayes: 25 Abstain: 1

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 45**

45. From the Finance Committee Resolution to modify County Clerk 2006 budget for election costs.

It was moved by Supervisor Carbone to adopt Resolution 45. Seconded by Supervisor Wisnefski.

Roll call vote passed unanimously.

**RESOLUTION 46**

46. From the Finance Committee Resolution accepting a Flood Mitigation Assistance 2006 Grant Award.

It was moved by Supervisor Carbone to adopt Resolution 46. Seconded by Supervisor Faraone.

Roll call vote passed unanimously.

**RESOLUTION 47**

47. From the Human Service Committee Resolution to approve the appointment of Richard Willoughby to the Kenosha County Long Term Care Council.

It was moved by Supervisor Rossow to adopt Resolution 47. Seconded by Supervisor Booth.

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 48**

48. From the Human Service Committee Resolution to approve the appointment of Paulette Kisse to the Kenosha County Long Term Care Council.

It was moved by Supervisor Rossow to adopt Resolution 48. Seconded by Supervisor Kubicki.

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 49**

49. From the Human Service Committee Resolution to approve the appointment of Jerry Willkomm to the Kenosha County Workforce Development Board.

It was moved by Supervisor Rossow to adopt Resolution 49. Seconded by Supervisor Arrington.

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 50**

50. From the Human Service Committee Resolution to approve the appointment of Stephanie Phillips to the Kenosha County Workforce Development Board.

It was moved by Supervisor Rossow to adopt Resolution 50. Seconded by Supervisor Booth.

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 51**

51. From the Human Services and Finance Committees Resolution to modify 2006 Budget for the receipt of the Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grant.

It was moved by Supervisor Rossow to adopt Resolution 51. Seconded by Supervisor Carbone.

Roll call vote passed unanimously.

**RESOLUTION 52**

52. From the Human Services and Finance Committees Resolution to Fund County Executive Emergency Order No. 2006/07-02 Re: Aid to Elderly Fire Victims.

It was moved by Supervisor Rossow to adopt Resolution 52. Seconded by Supervisor Carbone.

It was moved by Supervisor Noble to refer Resolution 52 back to the committees. Seconded by Supervisor Nudo.

Roll call vote.

Ayes: Supervisors Nudo, Noble, Roger Johnson, Ekornaas.

Nays: Supervisors Rose, Rossow, Kessler, Huff, Kubicki, Marrelli, Booth, Carbone, Arrington, Faraone, Ronald Johnson, O'Day, Singer, Molinaro, Wisnefski, Jackson, Clark, West, Breunig, Haas, Elverman.

Abstain: Supervisor Moore.

Ayes: 4. Nays: 21. Abstain: 1

Motion failed.

Roll call vote on Resolution 52.

Ayes: Supervisors Rose, Rossow, Kessler, Huff, Kubicki, Marrelli, Booth, Carbone, Arrington, Faraone, Ronald Johnson, O'Day, Singer, Nudo, Moore Molinaro, Wisnefski, Jackson, Clark, West, Roger Johnson, Breunig, Haas, Elverman.

Nays: Supervisors Noble, Ekornaas.

Ayes: 24. Nays: 2.

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 53**

53. From the Judiciary & Law and Finance Committees regarding Homeland Security Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program.

It was moved by Supervisor Clark to adopt Resolution 53. Seconded by Supervisor Booth.

Roll call vote passed unanimously.

**RESOLUTION 54**

54. From Judiciary & Law and Finance Committees regarding FY'05 Homeland Security Program Grant Award.

It was moved by Supervisor Clark to adopt Resolution 54. Seconded by Supervisor Wisnefski.

Roll call vote passed unanimously.

**RESOLUTION 55**

55. From Judiciary & Law Committee regarding Regular Cabaret License - Great Lakes Dragaway.

It was moved by Supervisor Clark to adopt Resolution 55. Seconded by Supervisor Booth.

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 56**

56. From Judiciary & Law Committee regarding Regular Cabaret License - Siebert's Pub.

It was moved by Supervisor Clark to adopt Resolution 56. Seconded by Supervisor Arrington.

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 57**

57. From Judiciary & Law Committee regarding Probationary Cabaret License-Tricoli's Birchwood Grill.

It was moved by Supervisor Clark to adopt Resolution 57. Seconded by Supervisor Haas.

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 58**

58. From the Land Use Committee regarding Plat of First Addition to St. Francis Xavier Cemetery, St. Francis Xavier Congregation (Developer) located in the Town of Brighton.

It was moved by Supervisor Ekornaas to adopt Resolution 58. Seconded by Supervisor Nudo.

Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

11. From Michael K. Higgins, City Clerk-Treasurer regarding Attachment and Temporary Zoning District Classification of Land in the Town of Somers.

12. From George E. Melcher, Director of Planning and Development regarding future rezonings.

CLAIMS

14. Scott J. Zwiebel - personal property ruined while on duty as deputy
15. Donald J. Dykstra - Personal property ruined while on duty as deputy
16. Ealuster Keith Murray - Missing property while in custody
17. Edward O. Schwartz - road tar on automobile

Chairman Rose referred Claims 14 through 17 to Corporation Counsel.

SUPERVISOR COMMENTS

Supervisor Wisnefski stated a memo from Waste Management was placed on the supervisor's desks regarding some of the things they donate throughout the year. They are more than a business; they are also involved in the community. In 1978, the city and the county decided they needed a landfill so they set up a

committee to explore where in the county they could put a landfill. Paris was chosen from three locations. The county was going to run it, but wisely decided not to go into the landfill business. Waste Management bought the existing landfill in Paris, which needed to be expanded. The Town of Paris fought it for four years, until an agreement was finally reached that would guard the town from anything that would come up. To get the town to move along they offered a tipping fee. The people around the landfill have lived there since 1978 and are still there except for the ones who died, so either they learned to live with it or it's not that bad. A couple of things Waste Management has done for the community include generators that turn the methane gas into power, which they turn over to Wisconsin Electric. The power turned over is enough to supply about 15,000 homes. Waste Management has built a Heli-port for the county to use for the flight for life helicopter. They have been a great neighbor and urges support for the landfill expansion when it comes before the County Board.

Supervisor Jackson spoke regarding problems she has had in getting information needed to make decisions regarding matters on the county board. She states as member of the board, she has an obligation to get all the pertinent information she needs to make an informed decision. Requesting information from departments, executives or committees should never be denied if that information is available.

Supervisor Breunig stated in 1998 the Kenosha Youth Foundation received \$18,000 per year from the county to run its programs at the Pringle Nature Center. In 2003 they decided to discontinue the nature programs and the funding was eliminated from the budget. In July of this year, the Pringle Nature Center Board met with the Highway & Parks Committee to request the funding be reinstated. The small group of volunteers has donated hundreds of hours of their time to keep this facility open for county visitors & to continue educational programs. Because the county owns this building they have provided the minimal structural support, electricity, heat and maintenance to the grounds. She is hopeful that the board will pass a resolution for a budget donation for the center. She also stated there is a plaque at the center with many of the board member's names. She wonders how many have been back to the nature center since the plaque has been installed, and how many have volunteered to help since funding has been discontinued. It is not enough to put your name on a plaque, but to truly support it as a supervisor and collectively as a County Board.

It was moved by Supervisor West to approve the October 3, 2006 minutes. Seconded by Supervisor Kubicki.

Motion carried.

It was moved by Supervisor Wisnefski to adjourn. Seconded by Supervisor Moore.

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 P.M.

Prepared by: Edie LaMothe  
Deputy  
Submitted by: Edna R. Highland  
County Clerk