

KENOSHA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COUNTY BOARD CHAMBERS COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

December 7, 2004

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

Roll call was taken.

Present: Supervisors Elverman, Grady, Rossow, Rose, Kessler, Huff, Wipper, Marrelli, Carbone, Modory, R. Johnson, Michel, Singer, L. Johnson, Deschler, Molinaro, Wisnefski, Carey-Mielke, Clark, Noble, West, Kerkman, Smitz, Ekornaas.

Excused: Supervisors Faraone, Booth, O'Day, Gorlinski.

Present. 24 Excused. 4

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Maury Smith, 10519 69th St., spoke as a representative of the voters and taxpayers of White Caps, River Crossing and Horizon neighborhoods who makes up the concerned west side citizens group. These neighborhoods are next to the proposed casino site. Low crime rate, good schools and affordable housing attracted many of these people to Kenosha. He estimates that from the 1,200 homes in these neighborhoods approximately \$175,000,000 in property taxes will be paid in the next 20 years, only if the average assessment rate continues to increase approximately 4% per year. He states that if the casino is built, he does not feel the values in their homes will continue to rise at that rate, if at all. Their neighborhoods voted 64% against the proposed casino. He would like a question answer meeting so they will have an opportunity for their concerns to be answered by the County and City of Kenosha. He would also like the County Board to form a special committee to address their list of concerns.

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF THE CHAIRMAN

Chairman Elverman reminded the Supervisors of the upcoming Christmas Party on the 21st of December and urged all members to attend. He also made two appointments to the Land Conservation Committee, Supervisor Brenda Carey-Mielke and Supervisor Tom Gorlinski. Chairman Elverman noted that all the supervisors received a Kenosha County Family and Friends 4H Cookbook, and thanked them for thinking of, and including the board.

SUPERVISOR REPORTS

Supervisor Carey-Mielke reported on the 7-County meeting she attended along with supervisors Singer, L. Johnson and Wipper. Anyone with questions about the 7-County Meeting can ask anyone of them that were in attendance. She also stated that she thought they had a gentlemen's agreement with the City of Kenosha and the Village of Pleasant Prairie that no one would make public comment on the tax equity study unless all three governing bodies were involved. She received the Village Times, a news letter from the Village of Pleasant Prairie and felt they didn't give a fair and proper display on where the County's portion of the tax money goes and would like the Chairman to consider a statement from this legislative body to the public regarding this study.

Supervisor Noble attended the first meeting of the Round Lake Beach Urbanized Area Technical Advisory Committee, which is a committee that resulted from the 2000 census. This is a Federal Urbanization area which makes us eligible for \$270,000 in highway funds and \$70,000 in transit funds. Anyone in that area who wishes to be on the mailing list can see Fred Patrie. He also stated that

Kenosha County Highway Department received an Innovation Award from the Wisconsin Asphalt Pavement Association for their work on Kenosha County Hwy H between Hwy 50 & Hwy S. Our Highway paving crew is becoming quite well known in their industry and are the paving crew of choice by the State to do overpass overlay on bridges. Supervisor Noble asked the Chairman to draw up a proclamation or some sort of recognition for the members of this highway crew.

Chairman Elverman noted that this crew has been hired by Milwaukee and Racine Counties and agreed something should be done to recognize the good work they do. He also wanted to comment on a ribbon cutting he attended in Twin Lakes for a piece of sidewalk near Lakewood School. It had been an on going concern to some students and with the cooperation of the County, School Board, Village of Twin Lakes, and private industries the project was accomplished with the total lack of tax payers dollars.

County Executive Appointments

29. Patricia Johnson to serve on the Kenosha County Library Committee.

Chairman Elverman referred County Executive Appointment 29 to the Finance Committee.

30. Phyllis J. Rozinski to serve on the Kenosha County Commission on Aging.

Chairman Elverman referred County Executive Appointment 30 to the Human Services Committee.

31. Carol Schaufel to serve on the Kenosha County Specialized Transportation Commission.

Chairman Elverman referred County Executive Appointment 31 to the Human Services Committee.

32. Mark Wisnefski to serve on the Kenosha County Board of Health.

Chairman Elverman referred County Executive Appointment 32 to the Human Services Committee.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance - one reading.

From the Land Use Committee

43. Regarding Albert R. Goll (Lessor), Cooperative Plus, Inc. (Lessee/Agent), requesting rezoning from M-2 Heavy Manufacturing District to B-5 Wholesale Trade and Warehousing District in the Town of Paris.

It was moved by Supervisor Smitz to adopt Ordinance 43. Seconded by Supervisor Ekornaas.

Motion carried.

44. Regarding Ursula Smith Revocable Trust/ Dean L. and Kathleen L. Brewer (Owners), Mariner Land Corporation, Steven L. Bruskiwicz, President (Developer/Agent), requesting rezoning from R-2 Suburban Single-Family Residential District to R-3 Urban Single-Family Residential District and from A-2 General Agricultural District to R-3 Urban Single-Family Residential District and R-4 Urban Single-Family Residential District in the Town of Somers.

It was moved by Supervisor Smitz to adopt Ordinance 44. Seconded by Supervisor Ekornaas.

Motion carried.

45. Regarding Bryan L. Andrews, requesting rezoning from R-2 Suburban Single-Family Residential District to B-5 Wholesale Trade and Warehousing District in the Town of Somers.

It was moved by Supervisor Smitz to adopt Ordinance 45. Seconded by Supervisor Marrelli.

Motion carried.

46. Regarding Eleonore and Vincent P. Skowronski, requesting rezoning from A-1 Agricultural Preservation District to A-2 General Agricultural District in the Town of Brighton.

It was moved by Supervisor Smitz to adopt Ordinance 46. Seconded by Supervisor Marrelli.

Motion carried.

Policy Resolution - First reading - two required.

2. From the Administration and Legislative Committees regarding 2002-2003 Affirmative Action Plan and 2003-2004 Affirmative Action Plan.

Resolution - one reading.

64. From the Finance Committee resolution to modify County Clerk 2004 Budget for Election costs.

It was moved by Supervisor Carbone to adopt Resolution 64. Seconded by Supervisor Rose.

Roll call vote passed unanimously.

65. From Human Services and Finance Committees Resolution to purchase Public Health Laboratory Equipment.

It was moved by Supervisor Grady to adopt Resolution 65. Seconded by Supervisor Carbone.

Motion carried.

66. From the Human Services Committee to Approve the Appointment of Mary Celebre to the Kenosha County Commission on Aging.

It was moved by Supervisor Grady to adopt Resolution 66. Seconded by Supervisor Smitz.

Motion carried.

67. From the Human Services Committee to Approve the Appointment of Ruth Delace Booth to the Kenosha County Commission on Aging.

It was moved by Supervisor Grady to adopt Resolution 67. Seconded by Supervisor Smitz.

Motion carried.

68. From the Human Services Committee to Approve the Appointment of Kathleen Frederick to the Kenosha County Commission on Aging.

It was moved by Supervisor Grady to adopt Resolution 68. Seconded by Supervisor Smitz.

Motion carried.

69. From the Human Services Committee to Approve the Appointment of Linda Weiss to the Kenosha County Board of Health.

It was moved by Supervisor Grady to adopt Resolution 69. Seconded by Supervisor Smitz.

Motion carried.

70. From the Human Services Committee to Approve the Appointment of Timothy Thompkins to the Kenosha County Resource Center Board.

It was moved by Supervisor Grady to adopt Resolution 70. Seconded by Supervisor West.

Motion carried.

71. From the Judiciary & Law and Building & Grounds Committees Resolution to upgrade communications systems in Joint Services Dispatch with Motorola Equipment.

It was moved by Supervisor Huff to adopt Resolution 71. Seconded by Supervisor Noble.

Roll call vote passed unanimously.

72. From Judiciary & Law and Finance Committees Regarding Citizen Corps Grant.

It was moved by Supervisor Huff to adopt Resolution 72. Seconded by Supervisor Carbone.

Roll call vote passed unanimously.

73. From Judiciary & Law and Finance Committees Regarding OJP (Office of Justice Programs) FY03 Exercise Grant.

It was moved by Supervisor Huff to adopt Resolution 73. Seconded by Supervisor Rose.

Roll call vote passed unanimously.

74. From the Judiciary & Law Enforcement Committee regarding Cabaret License for Cross Lake Inn.

It was moved by Supervisor Huff to adopt Resolution 74. Seconded by Supervisor Deschler.

Motion carried.

75. From the Land Use Committee to Approve the Appointment of Leonard R. Johnson to serve a six-year term on the Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission.

It was moved by Supervisor Smitz to adopt Resolution 75. Seconded by Supervisor Molinaro.

Motion carried. Supervisor L. Johnson abstained from voting.

76. From the Land Use Committee Resolution which transfers funds from the Landfill Tipping Fee Revenue Account and establishes a Legal Fee Account for the Board of Adjustments.

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

Roll call vote passed unanimously.
Supervisor Carey-Mielke was not in the chambers during the vote.

77. From the Land Use Committee Resolution which transfers funds within the County Development Division 2004 Budget. The transfer will be from salary line items to the other professional services line item to cover Land Conservationist costs caused by a delay in filling an approved position.

It was moved by Supervisor Smitz to adopt Resolution 77. Seconded by Supervisor Modory.

Roll call vote passed unanimously.
Supervisor Carey-Mielke was not in the chambers during the vote.

COMMUNICATION

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

Chairman Elverman referred Communication 11 to the Land Use Committee.

CLAIMS

17. Dale S. Tudjan - Injured by County owned Roadway Excavator while riding a bicycle.

Chairman Elverman referred Claim 17 to Corporation Counsel.

It was moved by Supervisor Modory to approve the November 16, 2004 minutes. Seconded by Supervisor Clark.

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

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:14 P.M.

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