

KENOSHA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COUNTY BOARD CHAMBERS COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

November 9, 2004

The **Public Hearing** was called to order by Chairman Elverman at 7:00 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, Booth, Carbone, Modory, Faraone, R. Johnson, Michel, O'Day, Singer, L. Johnson, Deschler, Molinaro, Wisnefski, Carey-Mielke, Clark, Noble, West, Kerkman, Gorlinski, Smitz, Ekornaas.

Present. 28

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Barbara Fonderlach, 7040 Mariner Dr., Racine, Development Director at the Kemper Center stated that there are 1.6 million not for profit agencies in the United States. Recently Kenosha County has turned to some not for profits to take over some services because they can provide some services with a lower price tag to the tax payers. Kenosha County and Kemper Center have been partnering to provide lower cost services to Kenosha County citizens since 1976. The County Executive's 2005 budget allocated \$150,000 to Kemper Center from the general fund. Kemper Center is pleased with the County Executive's support and with his budget allocation. Kemper Center urges the County Board to support the Executive's allocation as it was proposed.

Bob Danbeck, 7626 27th Avenue, spoke regarding the health insurance the County Board Supervisors receive. The Supervisors should not have full time benefits for a part time job. It costs the tax payers probably over \$400,000 for the health insurance. He states it's time the Supervisors start being responsible to the tax payers like the City Aldermen where 4 years ago when they got rid of their health insurance. Overall tax wise, we are the #1 highest in the country, we need property tax relief. Health insurance for the Supervisors should be eliminated from the budget. Mr. Danbeck also asked why does a county this small need 28 supervisors.

Supervisor Carbone presented the 2005 Budget

It was moved by Supervisor Wisnefski to adjourn. Seconded by Supervisor L. Johnson.

Meeting adjourned at 7:16 P.M.

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

No roll call was taken. All Supervisors were present.

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF THE CHAIR

Chairman Elverman asked all supervisors who will be attending the November 17th 7 County Meeting to please identify themselves so the clerk can pass out packets to them. He also stated there is a handout on BioCATT from Gateway. He attended with the County Board Chairmen from Racine and Walworth Counties a presentation by Gateway Board to explain all their activities. It was a great presentation and asked for them to give the presentation to the County Board sometime in February.

NEW BUSINESS

It was moved by Supervisor Marrelli to approve the October 19, 2004 minutes. Seconded by Supervisor Clark.

Motion carried.

It was moved by Supervisor Wisnefski to Adjourn sine die. Seconded by Supervisor Kessler.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

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

No roll call was taken. All Supervisors where present.

NEW BUSINESS

Policy Resolution - first reading, two required.

POLICY RESOLUTION 1

1. From Finance Committee regarding 2005 Kenosha County Budget.

It was moved by Supervisor L. Johnson to go into closed session. Seconded by Supervisor Kerkman.

Roll call vote passed unanimously.

After the closed session it was moved by Supervisor Wisnefski to adjourn. Seconded by Supervisor Kerkman.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Prepared by: Edie LaMothe

Submitted by: Edna R. Highland
County Clerk