

**KENOSHA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY BOARD CHAMBERS COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING**

November 7, 2017

The **Public Hearing** was called to order by Chairwoman Breunig at 7:00 p.m., in the County Board Room located in the Administration Building.

Roll call was taken.

Present: Supervisors Grady, Rose, Gentz, Goebel, Dodge, Kubicki, Hallmon, O'Day, Berg, R. Frederick, Blough, Franco, B. Frederick, Esposito, Wamboldt, Gillmore, Skalitzky, Poole, Breunig, Decker, Elverman.

Excused: Bostrom, Retzlaff.

Present: 21. Excused: 2.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Kathleen Gloff, 2031 30th Ave., stated she is the Pastor of Somers Community United Church of Christ and she is concerned that it is 37 degrees outside and there are homeless people in our county.

Ann Morelli, 7506 7th Ave., stated she and her husband own Morelli Catering and has catered at the Kemper Center for 3 years. She hopes the County will continue to support Kemper Center; the facility needs every penny that can be spared. She believes the money is well spent and that Kemper Center is a benefit to the neighborhood and to the county.

Maura Cook, 8207 43rd Ave., stated she is a Kemper Center volunteer and tour guide for the last 4 years. What she loves the most of being a tour guide is that she gets to share the history of Kemper Center and Kenosha. She also loves greeting the guests who come from all over. She is very excited for the events coming up this season.

Mark Molinaro, 1011 12th St., stated he is here at the request of Kemper Center to talk about a project they are currently contemplating and intending on moving forward on in the near future which is the reconstruction of the 3rd and 4th floor of the Simmons Building. Their intent is to renovate the floors into studio offices. The funding of \$325,000 is all independently raised without any funding from Kenosha County. He's asking that the County keep this structure intact, this is another \$300,000 that Kemper Center Inc. is putting into this county facility. They will keep the board in the loop on the progress and hope to start in the next month or so with completion in about five months after that.

Lisa Dretske, 815 115th St., stated she is the Executive Director of Kemper Center Inc. In the year she's been the director she has seen thousands of people come through Kemper. There have been 7,600 people come through the Anderson Art Center and 3,500 through Durkee Mansion. 120 students participated in the Kids Art Camp and 600 3rd Graders toured the facility along with bus tours and senior tours. The haunted house had over 1,300 visitors and she is excited for the Christmas at Kemper. She is looking forward to the renovation; it's been over 40 yrs since the area has been utilized.

At this time, Supervisor Rose presented the 2018 Kenosha County Budget.

It was moved by Supervisor Rose to adjourn. Seconded by O'Day.

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

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