

MINUTES OF MEETING OF JUDICIARY & LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE
June 14, 2006
KCAB 2ND FLOOR COUNTY BOARD COMMITTEE ROOM

Members Present: William Michel II, Joseph Clark, Bob Haas, Ruth Booth

Others Present: Sheriff David Beth, Capt. Larry Apker, Lt. Paul Falduto, Nancy Otis, Larry Barr

Meeting Called to Order: 7:00 p.m. by Chairman William Michel II

Citizen Comments: None

Supervisor Comments: Supr. Clark said that at the last County Board meeting, Chairman Rose asked for financial data to date on 2006 budgets. Department heads are to be asked to report to this committee.

Chairman Comments: Supr. Michel would like to discuss Courthouse Security at the next meeting.

Minutes Read: May 1, 2006

Motion by: Joseph Clark **Seconded by:** Ruth Booth **Approved:** Unanimously

Resolutions from the Kenosha County Sheriff's Department:

1) BOTS – Traffic Enforcement Grant

Motion by: Joseph Clark **Seconded by:** Bob Haas **Approved:** Unanimously

Lt. Falduto reported that this grant is from the State of Wisconsin in the amount of \$24,675 for transportation safety. This will be used to cover overtime, increase alcohol enforcement, and purchase equipment. Supr. Clark questioned what equipment would be used to “help educate the public about drunk driving.” Falduto replied goggles, which simulate how a person under the influence of alcohol would respond. People would be asked to try to complete simple tasks with the goggles on. Michel asked about the \$6,200 local match. Falduto said that administrative personnel time, traffic patrol time, and mileage meet this. There are no out of pocket expenses. Supr. Haas asked how many would be purchased and if they would be used at fairs. Falduto responded three pairs would be purchased and used any time the Sheriff's Dept. is out doing functions.

2) Probationary Cabaret License – Lumpy's Sports Bar & Grill

Motion by: Bob Haas **Seconded by:** Ruth Booth **Approved:** Unanimously

Capt. Apker presented the resolution. He spoke with the owner, Bryon Spinler, and his plans for entertainment are DJ, karaoke, and live bands for about 150 people. There was only one call for service and that was unfounded. Clark asked what the usual questions are relating to probationary cabaret licenses. Apker responded primarily the type of entertainment and said that no probationary licenses have been rejected since he took over.

3) Activity control License – Geneva Jam Inc./ Country Thunder/Hedgepeth 06

Motion by: Joe Clark **Seconded by:** Ruth Booth **Approved:** Unanimously

Capt. Apker reported that an actual physical inspection of said property indicated that all items that could be, have been complied with. Last minute items such as portable toilets can not be

inspected. In the past, all things required have been done prior to the festival starting except one year when fencing was not up. Estimates for law enforcement of 160 supervision hours and 1,760 posted hours were discussed with an estimated expense of \$93,677. This year's event will be four days instead of five. Country Thunder decreased the number of campsites and split the campgrounds. Apker went to the Randall Board to discuss road security; crossings with lights and signs and speed bumps are pending. An annexation problem with Genoa City would only take place in the parking area. Apker is trying to make these events safe. The presence of law enforcement on grounds has helped. He said he has had nothing but cooperation from Country Thunder. Hedgepeth is new and there will only be camping in one area. Hedgepeth will be staffed comparable to Country Thunder. Supr. Haas asked if squads would be pulled off the road to assist. Apker replied yes, if needed, at no extra cost.

The sale of campsites is down from last year. Last year there was a problem with too many free tickets given resulting in traffic problems. This has been addressed and limits applied for this year. There is no "free" on the back of Jewel receipts any more. "Big and Rich" is the main act this year. Michel asked who is paying supervisor costs. Apker said Country Thunder is reimbursing all personnel costs and supervision is there around the clock. Michel asked who pays for signs, etc. Apker said the County would initially; however, this would also be reimbursed from the bond paid by Country Thunder. Michel asked if there would be additional private security personnel. Apker replied yes, about 150. They will take care of rules and regulations, not law enforcement. There will be coordination between KSD and private security. Clark asked if the private security firm is the same as last year. Larry Barr responded no. Michel asked if criminal incidents have decreased. Apker said yes, there were no sexual assaults confirmed last year. Clark questioned the conversion to a regular cabaret license. Apker said the conversion was extended until August to be sure Country Thunder worked with KSD. Clark asked if the staff levels are the same as last year. Apker said yes. Clark asked if the new "preferred camping" meant additional sites. Apker explained that the preferred sites were developed for units such as larger campers and 5th Wheels, the number of general sites were decreased. Barr reported that the number was cut in half. Clark asked about the "pending permit" for fencing. Barr said that all fencing has been approved. Michel asked how the incidences in the preferred camping compared to the general area. Apker said most of the incidences were in the general camping area. The largest concentration of law enforcement is in the general camping area. Haas asked if people could go into the preferred area if the general area is full. Barr said that people can buy into which ever camp they want. General is currently \$50 and preferred is \$100. Haas asked if there is a restriction on type of unit. Barr said they are allowed one camping unit, whether it is a tent, camper, van, truck, etc.

Michel said he would like the Committee to visit Country Thunder. Barr will arrange a walk through along with the Sheriff, Wednesday being the preferred day.

Any Other Business Allowed by Law: None

Meeting Adjourned: 7:40 p.m. on motion by Haas, seconded by Clark.

MINUTES WERE DRAFTED FROM NOTES TAKEN BY STACY WADE.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donna L. DeBree