

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

March 5, 2019

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

Roll call was taken.

Present: Supervisors Grady, Rose, Gentz, Goebel, Celebre, Kubicki, Gaschke, Rodriguez, O'Day, Berg, R. Frederick, Nudo, Franco, B. Frederick, Esposito, Wamboldt, Yuhás, Skalitzy, Poole, Nordigian, Decker, Elverman.

Excused: Supervisor Cardinali,

Present: 22. Excused: 1.

At this time, County Executive Kreuser and Chairman Esposito presented Deputy Allison George and Highway Patrolman William Fink Proclamations.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Kathy Deverney, 5602 1st Pl., stated she doesn't understand the need for Phase 2 & 3 of the KR Project much less fast tracking it and feels it is an enormous waste of taxpayer money. It seems Racine County is pushing this agenda, she doesn't understand what's in it for Kenosha. KR is in need of improvement, but not in the amount of \$59,000,000.

Kevin Rannow, 5621 1st St., stated he has lived in his home on Hwy KR for 32 years. He would like to see the speed limit reduced from 45 mph to 35 mph. He has met with and or provided written comments to the DOT, County Executive, and Somers President 9 times since last April and sent 2 emails to the County Board Members; the Somers President has been the most responsive. He feels parts of KR should remain a county road with less private land being taken and fewer trees removed.

Kathy Dahl, 101 56th Ave., stated she is a homeowner who lives on KR and will be directly affected by the Phase 2 project. She agrees improvements need to be made to KR but she is not in support of the plan as currently proposed. She would like this project to be re-evaluated with the concerns and consideration of the voting taxpaying residents that live along KR. For years homeowners on KR has been asking the speed limit to be lowered to 35 mph. Now the plan is to increase it to 50 mph. She feels the \$59,000,000 to widen KR to 4 lanes could be spread out to fix the awful conditions of the roads throughout the city and county of Kenosha.

Haley Bell, 6119 1st St., stated her family home is located on KR. The four lane proposed road will take away the rural feeling of the property which is the reason they purchased it and remained there for over 20 years. She feels this has been rushed through for a company which has a history of broken promises.

Leslie Maj, 7820 County Line Rd., stated she lives in Racine, so Kenosha County is off the hook as far as land requisition from them, but she wanted everyone to know what the super highway is going to do to her front yard as well as her neighbors. Her fruit trees, her aspens and landscaping will all be gone. She also spoke of the safety of the residents who live along KR. With this road expansion, traffic will no doubt increase. 45 mph through a residential neighborhood is too fast and unsafe. Safety of the residents should take precedence over commuter convenience. The noise level is also a concern, the days of enjoying her front porch will be over. She asked that alternative studies be done or alternatives be given to make both the county and residents happy. She also spoke of suppression of information from WI DOT to Racine County which was not shared with Racine County Supervisors.

Barbara Vass, 4007 1st St. stated at a meeting in Mt. Pleasant WI DOT had assured her that all of the public comments have been shared with the board and she asked for common courtesy of the board and to read about what the residents are concerned about. She doesn't see any advantage to Kenosha County with this project.

Kim Mahoney, 10640 S Prairie View Dr., stated she and her husband are the last remaining homeowners in Foxconn Area 1. They were assured by Mt. Pleasant that the law does not allow their property to be taken by eminent domain. She does not know why Phase 2 is being pushed through so quickly with claims Phase 2 is not part of the Foxconn development. She feels the residents that are being directly impacted by this project are being reasonable, the DOT and Racine County are not; the jury is still out on Kenosha County. Mt. Pleasant and Racine County made the decision to spend \$900,000,000 on a wealthy foreign company and another \$59,000,000 on a road that affects both Racine and Kenosha Counties.

Esther Roberts, 2772 11th Pl., stated that although she is not directly affected by the KR project she is here to support her friends in Somers and Mt. Pleasant who are. She respectfully asked to slow the decision down, and look for a less impactful alternative and to represent the people who voted for and elected the supervisors.

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF THE CHAIRMAN

Chairman Esposito stated If any supervisors are having issues with their iPads to see the County Clerk or I.T. The next County Board Meeting will be on Wednesday, April 3, 2019. This is changed due to the Spring Election on April 2nd.

SUPERVISOR REPORTS

Supervisor Elverman stated the new Activity Guide for Parks is on the desks; it's very well done and many are pleased with the activities that have been expanded. Depending on the weather Golf was expected to open on March 15th. Golf attended shows in Milwaukee and Chicago and gave out 3750 coupons at the Chicago show. The Superintendent of Petrifying Springs Golf Course retired after 32 years with Kenosha County; Ryan Retherford was hired to replace him. The Courthouse chiller replacement will be completed by April 19th, Branch 1 courtroom is on schedule and Anderson Art Center project is ongoing. The Public Safety Building Shooting Range is fully operational. The winter has been very stressful on the Highway Department, so far this year they have used 6400 tons of salt compared to 6500 tons used in the entire season last year. All of the Hwy projects he has been reporting on are still on schedule including the Hwy S project scheduled to begin in 2020. Boundless Adventures is on schedule for a spring opening in the Pringle Nature Center. There is a new director at the Pringle Nature Center.

Supervisor Nudo stated he attended the NACo Conference in Washington D.C. which was very informative and was able to discuss ideas with representatives from all over the United States. He and others asked for help with a Bill which Senator Baldwin is now drafting which will benefit our veterans. Senator Wanggaard spoke at the Legislative Meeting giving an update on the budget and other related issues.

Supervisor Gaschke wanted to thank the Kenosha County dedicated Social Workers for all that they do to make our community a better place. Today, March 19, 2019 is World Social Work Day, which is a day set aside annually on the 3rd Tuesday in March to recognize the accomplishments of Social Workers all around the world. Every day, Kenosha County Social Workers work hard to advocate and care for the most vulnerable in our community in their times of greatest need.

Supervisor Decker reported at the Planning, Development and Extension Education Committee there were two items that were approved that will not come before the board. One was a conditional use permit for County Thunder and the other was a Certified Survey Map for the Daniels property which is on the agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance - first reading, two required

26. From the Public Works/Facilities Committee an Ordinance to Change the Speed Limit on CTH A in the Town of Paris
27. From the Public Works/Facilities Committee an Ordinance to Change the Speed Limit on CTH A in the Village of Somers
28. From the Planning, Development & Extension Education Committee an Ordinance Regarding amendment to the text of the Kenosha County General Zoning and Shoreland/Floodplain Zoning Ordinance to modify and amend language relative to the requirement for foundation surveys for new construction, sign distance and height, multiple family dwellings, and definitions

Ordinance - one reading

29. From the Planning, Development & Extension Education Committee an Ordinance Regarding Daniels Living Trust (Owner) - Comprehensive Plan Amendment Tax Parcel #30-4-220-231-0100 - Town of Brighton.

It was moved by Supervisor Decker to approve Ordinance 29. Seconded by Supervisor Skalitzky.

Motion carried.

30. From the Planning, Development & Extension Education Committee an Ordinance Regarding - Daniels Living Trust (Owner) - Rezoning Tax Parcel #30-4-220-231-0100 - Town of Brighton.

It was moved by Supervisor Decker to approve Ordinance 30. Seconded by Poole.

Motion carried.

Resolution - one reading

76. From Human Services Committee to Appoint June Sinkfield to the Kenosha County Commission on Aging and Disability Services.

It was moved by Supervisor Grady to adopt Resolution 76. Seconded by Supervisor Goebel.

Motion carried.

77. From Judiciary & Law Enforcement and Finance & Administration Committees a Resolution 2019 WI Dept of Justice Law Enforcement Drug Trafficking Response Equipment Grant.

It was moved by Supervisor Rose to adopt Resolution 77. Seconded by Supervisor B. Frederick.

Roll call vote passed unanimously.

78. From Judiciary & Law Enforcement and Finance & Administration Committees a Resolution 2019 Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Forces Strategic initiative (OCDEF) Funding for Overtime.

It was moved by Supervisor Rose to adopt Resolution 78. Seconded by Supervisor B. Frederick.

Roll call vote passed unanimously.

79. From Judiciary & Law Enforcement and Finance & Administration Committees a Resolution 2019 WI OJA Multi-Jurisdiction Drug Task Force Grant – South East Area Drug Operations Group (S.E.A.D.O.G.).

It was moved by Supervisor Rose to adopt Resolution 79. Seconded by Supervisor B. Frederick.

Roll call vote passed unanimously.

80. From Judiciary & Law Enforcement and Finance & Administration Committees a Resolution WI DOJ National Criminal History Improvement Program Grant.

It was moved by Supervisor Rose to adopt Resolution 80. Seconded by Supervisor B. Frederick.

Roll call vote passed unanimously.

81. From the Planning, Development & Extension Education Committee a Resolution Regarding Daniels Living Trust (Owner) - Comprehensive Plan Amendment Tax Parcel #30-4-220-231-0100 - Town of Brighton.

It was moved by Supervisor Decker to Adopt Resolution 81. Seconded by Supervisor Nordigian.

Roll call vote passed unanimously.

82. From Public Works and Finance & Administration Committees a Resolution to Approve the Jurisdictional Transfer Agreement of a Section of County Trunk Highway "H" Between 52nd and 65th Streets from Kenosha County to the City of Kenosha.

It was moved by Supervisor Elverman to adopt Resolution 82. Seconded by Supervisor Rose.

Motion carried.

83. From the Public Works/Facilities Committee a Resolution Appointing Lieutenant Rory Zuerlein to the Kenosha County Traffic Safety Commission.

It was moved by Supervisor Elverman to adopt Resolution 83. Seconded by Supervisor Franco.

Motion carried.

84. From Public Works and Finance & Administration Committees a Resolution Regarding WE Energies Permanent Easement Request Within Petrifying Springs Park.

It was moved by Supervisor Elverman to adopt Resolution 84. Seconded by Supervisor Rose.

Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

20. Communication From The Judiciary & Law Enforcement Committee Regarding Resolution: Requesting a Re-Classification of the Administrative Programs Coordinator job classification to a Sworn Lieutenant Classification

Chairman Esposito referred Communication 20 to Judiciary and Law Committee.

21. Communication from the Public Works/Facilities Committee Regarding a Resolution: Authorizing the Director of Parks to apply for Grant Funding from the WDNR.

Chairman Esposito referred Communication 21 to Public Works/Facilities Committee.

22. Communications from Andy M. Buehler regarding future items scheduled before the Planning, Development & Extension Education Committee.

Chairman Esposito referred Communication 22 to Planning, Development and Extension Education Committee.

CLAIMS

23. Kit Stilwell - Violation of Rights

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26. Leah Kumiszco - Harassment

27. Meg Hart - Personal Injury

28. Tayr Kilaab al Ghashiyah (Khan) - Violation of Constitutional Rights

Chairman Esposito referred Claims 23 & 28 to Corporation Counsel.

It was moved by Supervisor Gaschke to approve the March 5, 2019 minutes. Seconded by Supervisor Franco.

Motion carried.

It was moved by Supervisor Decker to Adjourn. Seconded by Supervisor Nordigian.

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Prepared by: Edie LaMothe, Chief Deputy Clerk
Submitted by: Mary Kubicki, County Clerk