

MINUTES OF MEETING OF JUDICIARY & LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE
June 10, 2009
KCAB 2ND FLOOR COUNTY BOARD COMMITTEE ROOM

Members Present: William Michel II, James Huff, Bob Haas, Ronald Johnson, Roger Johnson

Others Present: Neelpreet Kaur, Gisel Romero, Chief Deputy Charles Smith, Lt. Paul Falduto, Brian Andrews, Michelle VanDeBogut, Debbie Crawford, Richard Baak, Harry Luge

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

Citizen Comments: None

Supervisor Comments: None

Chairman Comments: Supr. Michel asked if Country Thunder passed the Land Use Committee. Chief Deputy replied yes.

Minutes Read: May 13, 2009

Motion by: Huff

Seconded by: Haas

Approved: unanimously

Resolutions from the Kenosha Co. Sheriff's Department:

1) I-94 Project Patrol Agreement Between Wis DOT and KSD

Motion by: Ronald Johnson **Seconded by:** Huff

Approved: unanimously

Lt. Falduto presented the resolution to accept from the Wisconsin Dept. of Transportation \$160,712: \$66,480 for 2009 labor costs; \$88,232 for 2010 labor costs; and \$6,000 for communications expenses and supplies. Funds will be used to reimburse the Department for 1 Deputy Sheriff and expenses incurred to provide extra patrol on I-94 in the construction zone 7 days a week, 8 hours a day for the periods of May 26, 2009 to Dec. 1, 2009 and April 1, 2010 to Dec.1, 2010. Supr. Huff asked if there were set hours and about the expenses and supplies. Falduto replied that patrol would be from 7 to 3 and that flares and equipment would be purchased. Michel commented about State Patrol and Racine doing overtime and asked if this person would be only on I-94. Falduto explained that the contract does tie this person to I-94 but in the case of an extreme emergency they may pull the deputy. KSD will be able to meet the requirements of the contract and keep the community safe on straight time.

2) Cabaret License – Bristol 45 Diner

Motion by: Haas

Seconded by: Roger Johnson

Approved: unanimously

Chief Deputy Smith presented the resolution for conversion from a probationary to a regular license. The Probationary License was issued on 12/2/08. Bristol 45 was found to be in conformity with County Ordinance #8.02 during the probationary period of the last six months.

3) Cabaret License – Towne Square

Motion by: Roger Johnson **Seconded by:** Huff

Approved: unanimously

Chief Deputy Smith presented the resolution for conversion from a probationary to a regular license. The Probationary License was issued on 12/2/08. Towne Square was found to be in conformity with County Ordinance #8.02 during the probationary period of the last six months.

4) Activity Control License – Quiddity Entertainment/Country Thunder USA

Motion by: Huff

Seconded by: Roger Johnson

Approved: unanimously

Chief Deputy Smith reported that this is the annual license for Country Thunder, which is under new ownership. Representatives from Country Thunder and Shadow Hill Ranch attended the meeting. Issues with Land Use (including buildings) have been resolved and passed. Free tickets have been a problem in the past resulting in excessive attendance and will not be offered this year. The Cabaret License and Liquor License are in effect. Only the last minute items are not done. Michel asked if the number of law enforcement is consistent with last year. Smith responded that it would be generally the same. Response is based on the activity level.

Haas asked if this is Quiddity's first festival. Brian Andrews responded that they do 150 festivals per year. They will not sell more tickets than the site can handle. They build the site according to requirements and then remove as necessary. Haas asked if they plan on organizing the festival next year. Andrews replied yes, they do not plan on making money this year and then leave. They want the community and fans to be happy. Haas asked if they also organize rock shows and if they plan on having a rock show here. Andrews responded that there are no plans for this here. Michel asked if there are campsites at other festivals. Andrews replied yes. Michel commented about the security issues in the past. Andrews explained that they have turned security over to the Sheriff's Dept. Huff asked if they would be sub-leasing security inside the festival grounds. Andrews answered yes; they are looking at three companies. The company will be a bonded/insured company. Andrews affirmed that he is aware of past problems and believes that most problems are due to the influx of unexpected people. They built the site based on what was sold.

Any Other Business Allowed by Law: Supr. Roger Johnson asked if there were any reported problems or complaints about the tall grass. Chief Deputy Smith replied that he has not heard of any complaints, however, has noticed the grass. Roger Johnson commented that Racine is receiving cutting service twice. He has asked Ray Arbet from the Highway Dept. to look into this to see if we can get additional service. He is concerned about safety and the visual effects on people entering our state.

Chief Deputy Smith commented about some possible concerns regarding the federal inmate population. Budget was prepared based on a population of 230/day. Numbers were down for a while but are now back to 260 again. Raids are no longer being done that resulted in decreased numbers for a while. Another facility also opened and fifty of our inmates were taken for that. We had a cushion built up before our numbers went down. US Marshall numbers have increased. We have been asked to take detainees during construction in Chicago. We will also take females and other troublesome inmates while other institutions will not. KSD will come to the Committee if the numbers dip to a concerning level.

Ronald Johnson asked what the highest number of inmates we can take is. Smith replied that we have a bed capacity of 857. Michel asked if this is in beds or includes on the floor. Smith explained that we do not put inmates on the floor but if needed put them on port-a-beds to keep different types/sexes of inmates segregated.

Meeting Adjourned:

7:40 p.m. on motion by Ronald Johnson, seconded by Roger Johnson.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donna L. DeBree