

MINUTES OF MEETING OF JUDICIARY & LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE
January 11, 2012
KCAB 2ND COUNTY BOARD COMMITTEE ROOM

Members Present: William Michel II, Bob Haas, Ronald L. Johnson, David Singer, Ronald J. Frederick, Robert Zergan, Cole Andrekus (YIG), Abbey McDonald (YIG)

Others Present: Capt. Larry Apker, Lt. Robert Hallisy, Sgt. Kenneth Urquhart, Nancy Otis, Tom Mahoney, Holly Mahoney

Meeting Called to Order: 6:30 p.m. by Chairman William Michel II

Citizen Comments: 6:30 p.m.: None. Tom Mahoney attended the meeting with his daughter, Holly Mahoney, for a school project.

Supervisor Comments: 6:30 p.m.: None

Chairman Comments: 6:31 p.m.: Michel stated that he is bringing the resolution regarding gun purchase forward. At a deputy retirement gathering, he found out that there is currently no policy allowing gun purchase. The City of Kenosha offers this for \$1.00. He believes the County Sheriff should have the same. He urged this committee's support. Resolution states a 20 year employment requirement. This would also encourage the purchase of replacement weapons to keep up with weapon advancements.

Resolution from the Division of Personnel:

- 1) Resolution to Approve the Appointment of Cathryn Bothe to Serve on the Civil Service Commission

Motion by: Frederick **Seconded by:** Johnson **Approved:** unanimously

6:33 p.m.: This resolution is a re-appointment to become effective immediately upon confirmation by the County Board and continuing until the 31st day of December, 2016 or until a successor is appointed by the County Executive and confirmed by the Kenosha County Board of Supervisors.

Resolution from William P. Michel II:

- 1) Retired Deputy Firearm Purchase Program (AS AMEMDED)

Motion by: Frederick **Seconded by:** Singer **Approved:** unanimously

6:33 p.m.: Supr. Singer commented about the inclusion of the 20 year employment requirement with this resolution. He stated that State Law language is if retired in good standing. He asked why this is different. Capt. Apker explained that this was put in as a benefit of long-term employment. Michel added that a cut-off had to be applied somewhere. Singer asked if anyone comes for a short-term employment and retires. Apker responded that they have not in the past. Supr. Haas commented that possibly the language should just say "retired." Supr. Frederick concurred to take out the "20 years service." Michel stated that he has no problem with this.

Motion by Singer, seconded by Zerban, approved unanimously, to remove language referencing "20 year employment."

Supr. Haas added that he spoke with the Sheriff and these purchases will have to go through a federally licensed firearms dealer to comply with requirements including background checks.

Resolutions from the Kenosha County Sheriff's Department:

1) WI D.O.T I94 North-South Freeway Traffic Mitigation Contract for 2011-2013

Motion by: Haas

Seconded by: Johnson

Approved: unanimously

6:40 p.m.: Capt. Larry Apker presented the resolution to accept \$35,658 from the Wisconsin Dept. of Transportation for patrol on I94 in the Construction Zone for the period September 2011 through December 2013. This will cover straight time hours for one deputy for eight hours per day through December 1, 2011 as well as expenses such as fuel and motor vehicle maintenance. Funding allowances for budget years 2012 and 2013 will be included in the Sheriff's operating budget for those years. Sheriff's Dept. will invoice the WI DOT monthly representing hours worked at a rate of \$42.00.

2) WI D.O.T. BOTS – Traffic Enforcement Grants 2011-2012

Motion by: Singer

Seconded by: Zerban

Approved: unanimously

6:41 p.m.: Capt. Apker presented this resolution to accept \$80,000 from the WI Bureau of Transportation Safety to establish mobilized enforcement efforts between October 1, 2011 and September 30, 2012 for increased patrol presence to control alcohol/drug impaired drivers; speeders and seatbelt enforcement; and to purchase law enforcement equipment used during these patrol efforts. Lt. Hallisy attended the meeting; he handles these patrols. Apker said that Hallisy does a good job coordinating and assigning. Michel asked if this covers the entire county; not just the interstate. Hallisy responded that all areas within Sheriff Dept. jurisdiction are covered; not the City of Kenosha or Pleasant Prairie. The 25% local match required is met with soft dollars within the current budget and will not require any additional tax levy dollars.

3) WI DOT Kenosha County Pre-Trial Intensive Supervision Program XV Grant

Motion by: Haas

Seconded by: Singer

Approved: unanimously

6:43 p.m.: Nancy Otis presented the resolution to accept \$53,574 from the WI Dept. of Transportation to support the expenditures for the "Kenosha County Sheriff's Department DUI Intensive Supervision Program" now in its 15th year. The total operating budget of \$153,482 is met by four sources: State DOT grant \$53,574; Client Fees \$39,439; KSD In-kind match of \$20,469 (Safety Building office space and Sheriff Supervision); and KSD hard match of \$40,000 (Levy). The project will be facilitated by Wisconsin Community Services, Inc. Repeat DWI offenders will be screened by WCS to receive intensive counseling treatment and supervision in lieu of incarceration in an effort to effectively deter repeat offenses. Michel commented that this is an excellent program. The Judges like the reports. This helps protect the community. Singer added that it gets violators off the streets.

4) Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Forces – Overtime Funds Offer

Motion by: Haas

Seconded by: Johnson

Approved: unanimously

6:45 p.m.: Sgt. Urquhart attended the meeting to answer any questions. This resolution is to accept \$4,000 from the federal Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Forces (OCDETF) for K-DOG, to cover overtime and other expenses incurred while assisting in an OCDETF federal drug trafficking investigation. Urquhart stated that this was case specific and very successful; now in the prosecution phase.

Any Other Business Allowed by Law: 6:47 p.m.: None

Meeting Adjourned: 6:47 p.m. on motion by Johnson, seconded by Haas.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donna L. DeBree