

**KENOSHA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY BOARD CHAMBERS
COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
May 17, 2022**

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

Roll Call was taken.

Present: Supervisors Bashaw, Berg, Franco, Gaschke, Geertsen, Karow, Kubicki, Nedweski, Nordigian, Nudo, Poole, Rodriguez, Rose, Stock, Stocker, Thomas, Wamboldt, and Yuhas

Excused: Supervisors Belsky, Decker, Gentz, Grady and O'Day

Present: 18 Excused: 5

At this time, Erica Ness, Youth Development Educator for UW-Madison Division of Extension – Kenosha County, recognized the 2021-2022 Youth In Governance Members and introduced the 2022-2023 Youth In Governance Members. Members of the outgoing 2021-2022 Youth in Governance spoke: John Cargille, Trinity Williams and Brooke Smith.

Citizen Comments

Veronica King spoke against the communications from Supervisors Decker and Poole regarding the proposed resolutions declaring Kenosha County a Second Amendment Sanctuary County. LaVerne Jaros spoke against the communication from Supervisors Decker and Rose regarding the proposed resolution to Repeal 1996 Policy Resolution 12.

Announcements Of The Chairman

Chairman Nudo reminded everyone that on May 23, orientation will be held from 8 a.m. 12 p.m. and everyone is encouraged to attend.

Supervisor Reports

Supervisor Nordigian

Reminded the board that Public Works & Facilities Committee now meets on the 4th Monday of the month and the next meeting is scheduled for May 23.

Supervisor Nedweski

Human Services Committee met on May 3 and an overview was presented by Director John Janson who also spoke about DHS Secretary Timberlake's "thank you tour" which takes place on May 19, from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m., at the Kenosha County Center. Rachel Dutter, Director of Division of Aging, Disability & Behavioral Health Services, presented an update of the county's potential partnership with Lake Behavioral Health in Waukegan, Illinois. This contract offers the county a potential to save significant financial resources and time and would likely result in a positive impact in the quality of care, due to the close proximity of the organization. The county had not previously engaged in negotiations with this organization due to an Illinois state law prohibiting partnerships. That law is no longer in place. In a response to recent spike in overdose incidents, Supervisor Gentz requested that Director Janson provide an update on county-wide opioid use and response efforts at the next committee meeting. Jen Freiheit, Director of Division of Health, invited Supervisors Stock, Stocker and Nedweski to tour and learn about services provided at the clinic, lab and offices on April 27. They also toured Brookside and Willowbrook on May 13, and met with Director Lynda Bogdala, and discussed challenges, obstacles and possible solutions to the staffing shortage. All supervisors are encouraged to meet with Director Bogdala and tour the facilities. Supervisors Stock, Stocker and Nedweski also toured the Alliance Women's Clinic on May 4. The non-profit clinic is part of Care Net and provides pre-natal counseling and limited pre-natal medical care as well as referrals to area medical providers. Their extensive collection of donated supplies serves clients in need in the area. They also offer parenting classes. The committee is looking at the possibility of

increasing community awareness of organizations like this by possibly making their information available to reproductive health patients who utilize services by Kenosha County Public Health. The next meeting is scheduled for June 7, when Director Janson plans to introduce another area of Human Services to the new committee members.

Supervisor Karow

Planning, Development & Extension Education Committee met on May 11. The following staff presented to the committee: Area Extension Director, Terri Ward; Health and Well-Being Educator, Mary Metten; 4H Coordinator - Alyssa Stearns; Horticulture Outreach Specialist, Vijai Pandian. Director Ward provided a presentation on Wisconsin Idea. She informed the committee of a vacancy for an Agricultural Agent which will focus on small farms and supply chain options for direct market for vegetable growing. The committee voted to elect Supervisor Gaschke to Vice-Chair as Supervisor Kubicki relinquished his position, due to prior commitments. Supervisor Franco was elected as second Vice-Chair. The committee voted on the Youth in Governance Members. Director Ward encouraged the committee members to visit the U.W. Extension website to view the tremendous number of programs and information available. Mary Metten informed the committee of a program called Mental Health First Aid which will meet on June 21, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Alyssa Stearns indicated she is very new at the position and will be meeting all the organization throughout the county. Vijai Pandian reported that they celebrated Arbor Day and held the tree sale. The Planning and Development portion of the meeting discussed a CSM and a Rezoning, both in Wheatland, with three other items being tabled.

Supervisor Rodriguez

Judiciary & Law met on May 4 and approved the appointment of Supervisor Laura Belsky to serve as the second Vice-Chair of the Committee. They discussed the Sheriff's population at both campuses and the squad vehicles which were delayed due to shipping demands; which will be retrofitted Explorers, a hybrid vehicle, recommended by Fleet Maintenance. They discussed the Sheriff staff population on the roads today versus twenty years ago – that information will be emailed tonight. The next meeting is scheduled for June 1 and he encouraged anyone interested to attend.

COUNTY EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS

1. Chairman Nudo To Serve On The Brookside Board Of Trustees

Chairman Nudo referred County Executive Appointment #1 to Human Services Committee.

2. Supervisor Bashaw To Serve On The Pringle Nature Center Board

Chairman Nudo referred County Executive Appointment #2 to Public Works & Facilities Committee.

3. Brooks Litz To Serve On The Local Emergency Planning Committee

Chairman Nudo referred County Executive Appointment #3 to Judiciary & Law Committee.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution - One Reading

1. From Chairman Nudo And The Judiciary & Law Enforcement Committee - A Resolution To Approve The Appointment Of Mark Nordigian To Serve On The Joint Services Board

It was moved by Supervisor Rodriguez, seconded by Supervisor Bashaw to adopt Resolution #1. On a voice vote, motion carried (17-0-1), with Supervisor Nordigian abstaining.

2. From The Judiciary & Law Enforcement And Finance & Administration Committees - A Resolution - 2022 FY21 Grant Award From Homeland Security Wisconsin Emergency Management HS ALERT BOMB Explosive Breaching Training

It was moved by Supervisor Rodriguez, seconded by Supervisor Rose to adopt Resolution #2. On roll call vote (2/3 majority required), motion carried (18-0).

3. From The Judiciary & Law Enforcement And Finance & Administration Committees - A Resolution - 2022 District Attorney's Office Proposal For Allocation Of Federal ARPA Funds

It was moved by Supervisor Rodriguez, seconded by Supervisor Rose to adopt Resolution #3. On roll call vote (2/3 majority required), motion carried (18-0).

Ordinance - One Reading, Two Required

1. From The Judiciary & Law Enforcement And Finance & Administration Committees - An Ordinance For The Amendment Of MCKC 401, The Civil Service Ordinance

Ordinance - One Reading

2. From The Planning, Development & Extension Education Committee - An Ordinance Regarding Michael W. Nielsen & Erin N. Nielsen (Owner), Michael Nielsen (Agent) Requesting A Rezoning From , R-1 Rural Residential Dist. To R-2 Suburban Single-Family Residential Dist., Town Of Wheatland

It was moved by Supervisor Karow, seconded by Supervisor Gaschke to adopt Ordinance #2. On a voice vote, motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

2. Communication From Supervisors Decker And Poole - A Resolution Declaring Kenosha County A Second Amendment Sanctuary County

Chairman Nudo referred Communication #2 to Legislative Committee.

3. Communication From Supervisors Decker And Poole - A Resolution To Conduct Countywide Advisory Referendum On Making The State Of Wisconsin A 2nd Amendment Sanctuary State

Chairman Nudo referred Communication #3 to Legislative Committee.

4. Communication From Supervisors Decker And Rose - A Resolution To Repeal 1996 Policy Resolution 12 And Adopt A Policy Regarding Kenosha County Department And Division Heads

Chairman Nudo referred Communication #4 to Finance & Administration Committee.

5. Communication From Supervisor Decker - A Resolution To Amend 2011 Resolution 63

Chairman Nudo referred Communication #5 to Public Works & Facilities and Judiciary & Law Committees.

6. Communication From Andy M. Buehler Regarding Future Items Scheduled Before The Planning, Development & Extension Education Committee

Approval of the County Board Minutes

It was moved by Supervisor Yuhas, seconded by Supervisor Kubicki to approve the minutes from the meeting held on May 3, 2022. On a voice vote, motion carried.

Adjourn

It was moved by Supervisor Rodriguez, seconded by Supervisor Berg to adjourn at 8:23 p.m. On a voice vote, motion carried.

Prepared by: Michelle L. Nelson, Chief Deputy County Clerk
Submitted by: Regi Bachochin, County Clerk