

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

May 5, 2009

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

Present: Supervisors Grady, Zerban, Kessler, Rose, Kubicki, Hallmon, Marks, Gentz, Modory, Faraone, Michel, O'Day, Singer, Nudo, Moore, Molinaro, Morton, Jackson, Noble, West, Clark, Roger Johnson, Haas, Elverman, Ekornaas.

Excused: Supervisors Huff, Ronald Johnson, Breunig.

Present: 25. Excused: 3.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Glen Stark, 7308 4 Mile Rd., Franksville, stated he is the president of Local 72. He encouraged the Board to adopt the Resolution opposing the Chrysler plant closing, and he thanked Supervisor Rose for starting the resolution.

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF THE CHAIRMAN

Chairman Clark stated Supervisor Breunig has agreed to be on the Pringle Center Board. Tuesday, May 12th at noon there will be the Law Enforcement Memorial down by the Museum. Thursday, May 14th at 12:30 there will be the memorial for Supervisor Lindgren at Pets on the 7th hole with a short gathering afterwards. He thanked Supervisor Elverman for donating the tree for Lindgren's memorial. Tonight there are Boy Scouts from Troup 520 in attendance working on their citizen badges. Wisconsin County Association is looking for some nominations for some of their steering committees. The deadline to submit the application is August 7th. They are also looking for nominations for the Vice President of WCA. Application deadline for that is in July. WCA is going to be having their annual conference September 13, 14 & 15 in LaCrosse. Any Supervisors that are interested in going can let the County Clerk know prior to the first meeting in June.

SUPERVISOR REPORTS

Supervisor Kubicki stated they had a presentation at the Human Services Committee by the new Kenosha Medicaid Navigator Nellie Musignac and Audra Brennan from the Southeastern Wisconsin Medicaid Liaison. Medicaid Navigator serves as liaison between Medicaid patients connecting them with Physicians, Hospitals and other programs to ensure healthy pregnancy outcomes for women in Kenosha. This presentation will be added to the next County Board Meeting agenda on May 19th.

Supervisor Kessler stated there are a couple of Boy Scouts in attendance representing Troop 522, one of them being his grandson. They are working towards one of their merit badges.

Supervisor Moore stated the Administration Committee continues their work handling grievances and labor contract negotiations. They also passed a resolution regarding re-authorization of the continuance of our self insurance workers compensation program. An update on non-represented employee reviews for the first quarter of 2009 is as follows; in January 25, employees were due for review, 1 was sworn, 10 received positive reviews, 14 remain outstanding. In February, 18 were due for review, 2 were sworn, 7 received a positive review and 9 remain outstanding. In March, 19 were due, 3 are sworn, 7 received a positive review and 9 remain outstanding. With the Information Services reorganization, 5 of the 7 open positions have been filled and interviews are winding down for the Business System Analyst and Directors posts. Also, they reviewed the first quarter of the personnel related budgets that are under the oversight of the Administrative Committee, and they believe they are on track with those budgets at this point in time. We will have some significant unemployment compensation related expenses due to some of our reorganization in various departments, and also our Health Insurance Plan looks to be well on track and hopefully will give us positive numbers at the end of the year.

Supervisor West stated Brookside Care Center will be having a Pancake Breakfast on May 13th from 8:00 - 11:00 and all the Supervisors are invited.

Supervisor Jackson stated on Saturday, May 16th at 8:30 a.m. at Veterans Park, the Shalom Center Food Pantry will be having a walk to fill the food pantry and she hopes every supervisor will attend.

OLD BUSINESS

Policy Resolution - second reading, two required.

POLICY RESOLUTION 1

1. From the Finance Committee Policy Resolution to Approve the Financial County of Kenosha Debt Management Policy.

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the County to adopt a debt management policy, and

WHEREAS, THE Finance Committee has completed substantial due diligence in regard to reviewing and recommending a new policy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Kenosha County Board of Supervisors does hereby adopt the County of Kenosha Debt Management Policy which is attached herein and incorporated by reference, and that the effective date of this policy coincide with the date of enactment of this resolution.

SUBMITTED BY:

Finance Committee
Anita Faraone
David Singer
Terry Rose
John O'Day
Mark Molinaro

It was moved by Vice-chair Faraone to adopt Policy Resolution 1. Seconded by Supervisor Singer.

Motion carried

NEW BUSINESS

Resolutions - one reading

RESOLUTION 1

1. From Administration and Finance Committees a Resolution to Approve the Successor Labor Agreement between Kenosha County and Local 990 Professional.

WHEREAS, negotiations for a successor labor agreement between Kenosha County and Local 990 Professional were recently concluded, and

WHEREAS, the negotiations have culminated in a three-year labor agreement ending on December 31, 2011, which agreement has since been ratified by the union, and

WHEREAS, Kenosha County is desirous of maintaining and promoting a sound and stable relationship with its employee organizations, and

WHEREAS, the Administration Committee and Finance Committees of the County Board have reviewed said labor agreement, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Kenosha County Board of Supervisors approve and adopt said labor agreement, the originals of which are herewith attached and on file in the County Clerk's Office.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Executive be directed and empowered for and on behalf of this body to make, sign, and execute all documents necessary to implement this directive.

SUBMITTED BY:

Administration Committee	Finance Committee
David Singer	John O'Day
Mark Modory	Terry Rose
Fred Ekornaas	Mark Molinaro, Jr.
Shavonda Marks	David Singer

It was moved by Supervisor Moore to adopt Resolution 1. Seconded by Supervisor Rose.

Roll call vote.

Ayes: Supervisors Zerban, Kessler, Rose, Kubicki, Hallmon, Marks, Gentz, Modory, Michel, O'Day, Singer, Nudo, Molinaro, Jackson, West, Haas, Ekornaas.

Nays: Grady, Clark, Faraone, Moore, Morton, Noble, Roger Johnson, Elverman.

Ayes: 17. Nays: 8

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2

2. From Building and Grounds and Finance Committees regarding Kenosha County Department of Public Works - Facilities Division, 2008 Budget Modification.

WHEREAS, the Facilities Division of the Kenosha County Department of Public Works developed a 2008 budget based on its best estimate of utility costs to be incurred, and

WHEREAS, the actual utility costs at the Detention Center were significantly higher than anticipated with the remodeled space that opened in 2008 which allowed Kenosha County to house additional inmates; and

WHEREAS, the actual utility costs within the 2008 Facilities Budget were also higher than anticipated due to the Municipalities adding storm water fees based upon an estimate of storm water runoff at each facility, and

WHEREAS, the Pretrial Building had overruns in contractual services due to the unanticipated replacement of the condenser and compressors for one of the air conditioning units, and

WHEREAS, the shortage within Facilities contractual appropriation unit can be covered by the transfer of available funds within the Facilities personnel appropriation unit.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kenosha County Board of Supervisors authorize the transfer of funds with the Division's budget and transfer \$47,589 from the Personnel appropriation unit to the Contractual appropriation unit.

SUBMITTED BY:

Finance Committee	Building & Grounds Committee
Anita Faraone	Douglas Noble
John O'Day	Mark Molinaro, Jr.
Terry Rose	Gabe Nudo
Mark Molinaro, Jr.	Roger Johnson
David Singer	Robert Zerban

It was moved by Supervisor Noble to adopt Resolution 2. Seconded by Vice-Chair Faraone.

Roll call vote passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION 3

3. From Finance Committee a Resolution to Modify 2009 Budget for ARRA.

WHEREAS, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) provides funding for local government programs through a series of grants and loans distributed by various federal agencies, sub-allocated by the state; and

WHEREAS, many of the funds will be distributed only for "shovel ready" projects and must be applied for, started and completed within a specific time period; and

WHEREAS, in addition, the ARRA has sets forth some other broad requirements, first no funds may be allocated for zoos, aquariums, golf courses, swimming pools, or casinos. Second, contractors and subcontractors working on projects funded by the ARRA must be paid the prevailing wage rate, set forth in the Davis Bacon Act. Finally, the new law requires that a preference be given to American-made goods in construction and infrastructure projects financed by the Act; and

Whereas, It is important that Kenosha County take the following actions in order to attain, coordinate, implement and comply with all the requirements so as to maximize the stimulus the County receives; and.

- Review the current status of grants which have been applied for and awarded. Determine additional grant programs to apply for, coordinate deadlines, timetables and provide additional support resources, if necessary for all County Departments/Divisions.
- Access information regarding eligibility for the specific grant distributions and understand how to apply for the grant. Begin a dialogue with designees in the appropriated agency as some grants are distributed by formula as well as through a competitive bid process.
- Work with the governor's office to understand the governor's priorities in allocating recovery dollars and to make known the needs, concerns and desires of Kenosha County.
- Work with the local State Legislatures and Wisconsin Counties Association to make the needs of Kenosha County known, and

WHEREAS, the County has surplus revenue of \$86,603 received in 2009 from state funds allocated for 911 wireless implementation which is completed, and

WHEREAS, no tax levy or general fund dollar will be required, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that \$86,603 be appropriated for the purpose of maximizing Kenosha County's efforts to attain stimulus funds, coordinating the efforts of departments and divisions and complying with all requirements of the ARRA; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the funds be transferred per the budget modification which is attached and incorporated by reference.

It was moved by Vice-Chair Faraone to adopt Resolution 3. Seconded by Supervisor Rose.

Roll call vote passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION 4

4. From Supervisor Terry Rose a Resolution to Oppose the Planned Closing of the Kenosha Chrysler Plant.

WHEREAS, the current crisis and downturn in the national economy has resulted in not only Chrysler filing bankruptcy but also their announcement to permanently close their Kenosha plant as early as October, 2010, and

WHEREAS, Chrysler's surprise announcement will not only end more than a century of automobile production in Kenosha but will also result in a permanent loss of approximately 800 jobs for the Kenosha community that will not be transferred to the "new Chrysler" that will be co-owned by Italian carmaker Fiat Group SpA, and

WHEREAS, Chrysler has announced its intentions to build a new plant in Saltillo, Mexico, and whereas, local Chrysler workers are skilled and experienced in automotive production, and

WHEREAS, Kenosha union workers adopted concessions in 2006 to encourage Chrysler to invest in Kenosha for the purpose of building a new, more fuel efficient engine in Kenosha, and as recently as last week agreed to more concessions, including a six-year wage freeze and loss of vision and dental insurance and reduced prescription drug coverage for retirees with 89% of its workers voting in favor of the concessions so that bankruptcy could be avoided and future federal money could be received, and

WHEREAS, Chrysler had given assurances to Congressman Paul Ryan that a plant-closing in Kenosha would not occur, and

WHEREAS, the Federal government agreed to give Chrysler up to 8 billion dollars in additional financing and whereas, both the State of Wisconsin and Kenosha County have been willing to assist Chrysler financially in the past, and whereas public money is aiding Chrysler's bankruptcy and merger with Fiat, and

WHEREAS, permanently closing the Kenosha plant will have an adverse effect on the local community and local economy, and whereas, plans to offer those employees who have lost their jobs in Kenosha employment at other facilities will be disruptive and will still result in other economic loss for Kenosha County, and

WHEREAS, the plan to permanently close Chrysler is part of the company's bankruptcy plan which must be approved by the bankruptcy court;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED That the Kenosha County Board of Supervisors oppose the closing of Chrysler's Kenosha Plant, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to James Doyle, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, the Congressional delegation for the State of Wisconsin, and President Barack Obama as well as to the Board of Directors for Chrysler and Fiat Group SpA.

SUBMITTED BY:

Terry Rose	William Grady
Edward Kubicki	William Michel, II
Jennifer Jackson	Roger Johnson
David Singer	Gabe Nudo
Richard Kessler	Fred Ekornaas
Bob Haas	Jeffrey Gentz
Anita Faraone	Dayvin Hallmon
Shavonda Marks	Robert Zerban

It was moved by Supervisor Rose to adopt Resolution 4. Seconded by Supervisor Kubicki.

It was moved by Supervisor Jackson to amend Resolution 4. Seconded by Supervisor Hallmon.

The motion to amend Resolution 4 was withdrawn by Supervisors Jackson and Hallmon.

Motion carried to adopt Resolution 4 as written.

CLAIMS

1. Kathy LaChapelle - vehicle damage.

Chairman Clark referred Claim 1 to Corporation Counsel

It was moved by Jackson to approve the April 21st, 2009 minutes (Regular and Organizational Meetings). Seconded by Supervisor Zerban.

Motion carried.

It was moved by Supervisor Jackson to adjourn. Seconded by Supervisor Morton.

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

Prepared by: Edie LaMothe
Deputy Clerk

Submitted by: Mary T. Schuch-Krebs
County Clerk