KENOSHA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COUNTY BOARD CHAMBERS COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

November 14th, 2006

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

Roll call was taken.

Present: Supervisors Rose, Grady, Rossow, Kessler, Huff, Kubicki, Marrelli, Booth, Arrington, Faraone, Ronald Johnson, Michel, O'Day, Singer Nudo, Moore, Molinaro, Wisnefski, Jackson, Clark, Noble, West, Roger Johnson, Breunig, Haas, Ekornaas.

Excused: Supervisor Carbone, Elverman.

Present: 26. Excused: 2.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Donald Gillespie, 2023 73rd St., stated he is the Kemper Center Treasurer. The Kemper Center does have a viable business plan that centers on getting contributions from donors working with the county holding fund raising events, using rentals of the buildings for business and social meetings as well as educational and cultural enrichment. Facility usage increased 38% in 2005 and even more in 2006. Kemper Center is a jewel on our lakefront. The Kemper Center Board of Directors, volunteers and staff have been successful for over 30 years protecting the county's investment in that national historic landmark.

Raymond Mazzarelli, $4921 76^{\text{th}} St.$, stated he is representing the courthouse bailiffs. He asked the board approve the increase in pay for the bailiffs. They have been passed up the last four years for an increase and feels this year the increase should be granted.

Ron Burnett, $3214~86^{\rm th}$ Pl., stated he agrees with what Mr. Mazzarrelli said and thanked the Judiciary and Law and Finance Committees for their efforts in putting forth the raise for the bailiffs.

Reverend Georgette Wonders, $5801~8^{\rm th}$ Ave., co-president of CUSH, spoke on behalf of CUSH. She thanked the County Board of Supervisors for carrying over the \$250,000 in the budget which is committed to making a single site INN Shelter a reality. They very much appreciate the boards leadership, commitment, and patience as they continue to work towards the solutions to the problems of homelessness and affordable housing in our community.

Jan Anderson, $6502\ 3^{\rm rd}$ Ave., stated he is speaking on behalf of the neighbors of the Kemper Center. The Kemper Center one of a few places that has universal appeal. It has a location that is extraordinary, architectural and historical significance, and it is maintained very well so it has aesthetic attraction. It behooves the county to maintain it in the public interests and encourages the board to continue to support it and to treat it as the benefit it is to Kenosha County and not the presumed liability that seems to implied in the budget resolution.

Louis Rugani, $4526\ 29^{\text{th}}$ Ave., stated Kenosha County and Kenosha is a great community. We are continually being rated among the top quality of life venues in the United States. Kenosha County is also one of the wealthiest in Wisconsin. It is the board's job to make sure the momentum continues to keep

Kenosha a quality community. He would like the \$250,000 back for the proposed permanent homeless shelter.

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF THE CHAIRMAN

It was moved by Supervisor Wisnefski to adjourn. Seconded by Supervisor Kessler.

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 P.M.

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Deputy

Submitted by: Edna R. Highland

County Clerk