

March 18, 1981

The Marquette County Board of Commissioners met on March 18, 1981 at 7:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Room of the Courthouse Annex.

Chairperson Farrell opened the meeting and roll was called and recorded showing all commissioners present.

Salute to the Flag was given followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

It was moved by Comm. Racine, supported by Comm. LaMere and carried that the minutes of the March 4, 1981 meeting of the County Board of Commissioners be approved as corrected.

Chairperson Farrell opened the meeting for public comment. Mr. Erickson, a potato farmer, from Republic, Mich. addressed the county board on the reason for weight limits being placed on county roads that were inconsistent with neighboring counties. He felt that road restrictions could be lifted in the early morning hours of the colder days to allow truckers from Wisconsin and other areas to pick up the products of the potato farmers in the area. Potatoes are a perishable product and there is a need to get the product out. Truckers are refusing to pick up partial loads. Chairperson Farrell explained that this is a Road Commission decision. It was moved by Comm. LaPin, supported by Comm. Juidici and carried that a letter be sent to the road commission asking that they consider the request and ask if they will check adjoining counties to try to establish some flexibility in this situation.

Richard Colvin, Clerk of Marquette Township advised the county board on Marquette Township's method of investing their money to receive the highest interest possible.

There being no further comment, the public comment section was closed.

A discussion was held on the approval of the agenda. The Final Report on Brookridge was substituted on 7-a for the rough draft of the report. Added were item 10-e, Financial report of the controller, item 11-a, opinion of chief civil counsel on road millage, item 11-b, letter from Sec. of State on proposed May 19, 1981 election, 11-c, letter from Ontonogan Township on UPPCO intervention, item 12-a, a verbal discussion by Comm. Lowe on Central Dispatch and 11-b, letter from Norbert Grant of Republic, regarding assessments. The agenda was then approved.

Chairperson Farrell opened the public hearing on the 1981 Community Development Block Grant application. A communication from Ted Oslin, Housing Referral officer of the Planning Commission was read regarding the application. Richard Colvin, Clerk of Marquette Township spoke in favor of the grant application. Michael Connors, Supervisor spoke in favor of the grant and expressed need for a new Turin Township Hall.

There being no further comment the public hearing was closed. The outline of the housing rehabilitation program will be presented to the Committee of the Whole on March 25, 1981. Communications from Marquette Township and the Marquette County Township Association approving the grant application, were read.

The Final report on Brookridge entitled Report of the Study Committee on Adolescent Needs, was discussed briefly. It was moved by Comm. Lowe, supported by Comm. Racine and carried that the report be referred to the Committee of the Whole, and that the Marquette-Alger Mental Health Board be asked to meet with the Committee on March 25, 1981.

Communications from Probate Judge Michael Anderegg and Shirley Tate, director of the office of Child and Youth Services, regarding the State funded portion of Child Care for the current year, were read. It was moved by Comm. Carlson, supported by Comm. Lowe and unanimously carried by a roll call vote, that the county board reaffirm the original resolution regarding this funding that was adopted recently and support the option that would allow the county last years expenditure plus 5.14% child care funding and also to support the establishing of a state contingency fund, which would allow Marquette County to participate as a small county and that although the county operates a non-secure detention facility, the county should not be included in any groupings with larger counties which operate secure facilities.

A communication from the Planning Commission and proposed amendment of Marquette County Building, Plumbing and Electrical Permit Fee Schedule were read. It was moved by Comm. Racine, supported by Comm. Juidici and unanimously carried on a roll call vote that the following amendment to the fee schedule be adopted and be added as an addendum to the current fee schedule.

"Except that the Permit Fee for all governmental non-proprietary projects be set on a negotiated basis by the Marquette County Planning Commission Staff, after discussion with applicable governmental officials, upon consideration of the estimated actual cost to the County of providing needed inspection services, such costs to include inspectors' salaries and fringe benefits, vehicular mileage, office expenses and overhead, secretarial and supervisory time, materials, telephone calls, and other applicable factors, based on actual time spend in necessary inspections and ancillary work, to include travel time to and from the County Service Center, or travel time from the preceding inspection site to the succeeding inspection site, as applicable. The term "non-proprietary projects" shall be defined as all local (County-City-Township) governmental projects requiring a Building/Plumbing/Electrical Permit, except such quasi commercial-industrial or other projects as may be undertaken by governmental units or agencies as an adjunct to their governmental function and which are intended to provide a monetary return, in lieu of projects which are undertaken entirely for the public benefit.

The method of determining such Fees shall be that a preliminary estimate of the total inspection cost of the project shall be made by the Marquette County Planning Commission Staff, based on factors listed above. The governmental unit or agency drawing the permit(s) shall then deposit an initial Fee with the Marquette County Planning Commission, in such amount, which deposit shall be acknowledged by issuance of a written receipt. A complete and accurate record of all time spent by Marquette County Planning Commission Staff in inspection activities listed above will be kept, and, upon Final Inspection and issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy by the Marquette County Planning Commission Staff, a time-and-cost accounting shall be made by the staff of such expenses and a comparison made with the deposit amount. If such actual expenses incurred are found to be greater than the deposit amount, an additional Fee, to cover the difference, shall be paid by the governmental unit or agency drawing the permit(s). If such actual expenses incurred are less than the deposit amount, then the County will refund to the governmental unit or agency drawing the permit(s) an amount to compensate for the excess amount originally deposited."

A discussion was held regarding the building permit fee law suit involving NMU. Chief Civil Counsel advised the county board that the legislators had amended the laws to exempt schools and educational facilities and Marquette County no longer had a case against NMU. It was moved by Comm. Racine, supported by Comm. LaPin and carried that a letter be sent to the state legislators asking them to introduce legislation that would allow for reimbursement to the county for expenses incurred in the NMU case.

A letter from David Berns announcing his resignation as alternate from the AMCAB board was read and accepted with deep regret. A letter of appreciation will be sent to Mr. Berns. Chairperson Farrell appointed Dorothy Collins of Negaunee to act as alternate on the AMCAB board.

A communication from MAC, suggesting that the county board contact their legislators to introduce legislation that would allow Marquette County to be reimbursed for prison court cases under PA 16 of Public Acts of 1978, was read. It was moved by Comm. Racine, supported by Comm. LaMere and carried that a letter be sent to our State Senator and Representatives asking that such legislation be introduced.

Communications from Representative Donald Koivisto, Lenawee County and Gratiot County regarding the increase in vital record fees, were read and placed on file.

Communication from Senator Mack and Representative Jacobetti concerning Fuel adjustment exemptions and property tax credits, were read and placed on file.

Notices of (1) Call for Water Supply Projects 1981 Regional List (2) Call for Housing Projects 1981 (3) Call for Waste water Projects for 1981, from CUPPAD were discussed and placed on file.

A communication was read from the Planning Commission suggesting that the following "carry over" projects from 1980 be placed on the CUPPAD call for Waste Water Projects 1981.

1. Ishpeming City/Township Waste Water System.
2. Republic Township (N & S Republic)
3. Marquette Township (Trowbridge Park)
4. Michigamme Township (Michigamme)

It was moved by Comm. Racine, supported by Comm. Steele and carried that the county board ask the OEDP to list these four projects on the priority list for 1981.

A request from the Marquette County 4-H Council for \$700.00 for Marquette County's ad in the Plat Book for 1981, was read. It was moved by Comm. Leone, supported by Comm. Racine that the communication be referred to the Finance Committee. The motion and support was then withdrawn. It was then moved by Comm. Lowe, supported by Comm. Steele and unanimously carried on a roll call vote that the county board purchase the \$700.00 ad in the Plat Book and the money be appropriated from the Contingency Fund. The county will receive 32 free copies of the book.

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RESOLUTION AMENDING GENERAL FUND BUDGET

Fiscal Year 1981 Amendment No. 13

WHEREAS, a budget was adopted by the County Board to govern the expenditure of anticipated general fund receipts within the County on October 14, 1980 for the next fiscal year of the county; and,

WHEREAS, as a result of unanticipated changes in revenues and/or needed expenditures, it is necessary to modify the aforesaid budget; and,

WHEREAS, such modification will still maintain a balanced budget between revenues and expenditures.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the aforesaid budget be hereby modified as follows:

<u>Expense Budget Account</u>	<u>Previous Budget Amount</u>	<u>Amended Budget Amount</u>	<u>Change</u>
Board of Commissioners -			
<u>Advertising</u>	<u>9,500.00</u>	<u>12,200.00</u>	<u>+700.00</u>
_____	_____	_____	
Contingency	<u>191,241.00</u>	<u>190,541.00</u>	<u>-700.00</u>
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<u>Revenue Budget Account</u>	<u>Previous Budget Amount</u>	<u>Amended Budget Amount</u>	

Motion was made by Comm. Lowe, Seconded by Comm. Steele to adopt the foregoing resolution. Upon roll call vote, the following vote was recorded:

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>		<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>
N. Carlson	✓		T. Lowe	✓	
R. Cheatham	✓		S. May	✓	
E. Juidici	✓		J. Racine	✓	
R. LaMere	✓		C. Steele	✓	
B. LaPin	✓		E. Villeneuve	✓	
F. Leone	✓		P. Farrell	✓	

The Chairperson declared the motion carried and the resolution duly adopted.

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Henry A. Skewis
County Clerk

A communication from Wayne County and a questionnaire regarding Sheriff's Road Patrol Service, was read and referred to the Controller for completion and return to Wayne County.

A communication from the Marquette County Township Assoc. asking the county board to provide assistance in the payment of compensation for the MCTA Liaison Planner, was read. It was moved by Comm. Lowe, supported by Comm. LaPin and carried to refer the communication to the Intergovernmental Relations Committee for report to either the Finance Committee or the county board. Wes Larson, president of the MCTA will be asked to meet with the Intergovernmental Relations Committee.

A communication from the Michigan Association of Counties regarding the payment for audits of Federal Revenue Sharing Funds, was read. It was moved by Comm. Racine, supported by Comm. Carlson and carried that a letter be sent to A. Barry McGuire of MAC advising him that the county feels that

- (1) a suit should be filed against the State for reimbursement of audit costs.
- (2) that Marquette County would be willing to contribute its proportionate share of costs and
- (3) that Marquette County be notified of possible costs before the final decision to join is made.

A communication from Henry A. Skewis, County Clerk, asking the county board to appoint a member at large to the County Tax Allocation Board before April 1, 1981, was read. It was moved by Comm. LaPin, supported by Comm. Leone and carried that David Holli of Ishpeming be asked to serve.

A communication from Thomas Hazelwood, Director of the Six County Consortium for Employment and Training, regarding Marquette County being designated as a program agent, was read. It was moved by Comm. Leone, supported by Comm. Steele and carried that Mr. Hazelwood be notified that Marquette County is not interested in being a program agent this year.

A communication from the Michigan Association of Counties regarding Chairpersons Exchange Day, was read and placed on file.

Reports of the March 2, 1981 meeting of the Environment, Lands and Buildings Committee, the March 5, 1981 meeting of the Personnel Committee, the March 10, 1981 meeting of the Executive Committee and the March 11, 1981 meeting of the Finance Committee, were read and placed on file.

A recommendation from the Finance Committee regarding the financial institutions that meet the requirements established by the county board to be designated as depositories of county funds, was read. It was moved by Comm. Juidici, supported by Comm. Leone and unanimously carried on a roll call vote that the county board concur with the recommendation and adopt the resolution naming these depositories.

Exhibit A

First National Bank & Trust Co. of Marquette
First National Bank & Trust Co. of Negaunee
Miners' First National Bank, Ishpeming
Northern Michigan Bank of Marquette
The Peninsula Bank, Ishpeming
Union National Bank, Marquette
Gwinn State Savings Bank, Gwinn
Detroit & Northern Savings & Loan

DEPOSITORY RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Act No. 40 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1932, as amended, (hereinafter referred to as Act 40) provides for the deposit of county public moneys in certain financial institutions as shall be authorized by the Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, this Board of Commissioners wished to authorize the County Treasurer to deposit the County's public moneys in the following named depositories.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Marquette as follows:

1. The County Treasurer of the County of Marquette is hereby authorized to deposit County public moneys in any of the financial institutions named in Exhibit A attached hereto pursuant to Act No. 40.
2. The term "public moneys" as used in this resolution shall mean those moneys as are defined in Act No. 40.
3. This resolution shall continue in effect until and unless repealed by a future resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Marquette.

A recommendation from the Finance Committee regarding a resolution to allow the County Treasurer to invest surplus county funds, was read. It was moved by Comm. May, supported by Comm. Cheatham and unanimously carried on a roll call vote to concur with the recommendation and adopt the investment resolution.

INVESTMENT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the County of Marquette periodically has surplus funds belonging to and under the control of the County which sound stewardship dictates should be appropriately invested;

WHEREAS, said investments to be optimally effective must recognize the projected cash flow requirements of County government, and therefore, require consultation with the Office of County Controller; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners recognizes the beneficial effect of making said investments within Marquette County except during periods when insufficient competition exists in the local investment market; and

WHEREAS, Act. No. 20 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1943, as amended, (hereinafter referred to as Act 20) authorizes the County Treasurer to invest surplus funds of the County in certain specified investments; and

WHEREAS, this Board of Commissioners wished to authorize the County Treasurer to invest surplus funds of the County in those investments as permitted by Act 20.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF MARQUETTE AS FOLLOWS:

1. The County Treasurer of the County of Marquette is hereby authorized to invest surplus funds of the County in any investment permitted by Section 1 of said Act, provided such investments shall be within the County Except during periods when in the judgment of the Treasurer and Controller insufficient competition exists within the local investment market.

2. The County Treasurer of the County of Marquette is authorized to rely upon the continuing effect of this resolution until and unless it is specifically amended or repealed by a future resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Marquette.

A budget amendment regarding a transfer of \$3,000.00 to allow the employment of a half time person now in the office as full time was read. It was moved by Comm. Leone, supported by Comm. Juidici and unanimously carried on a roll call vote, that \$3,000.00 be transferred from the Contingency Account to the Register of Deeds salary account to provide funds to utilize a half time staff person in that office on a full time basis as a temporary fill in for an employee on sick leave.

RESOLUTION AMENDING GENERAL FUND BUDGET

Fiscal Year 1981 Amendment No. 11

WHEREAS, a budget was adopted by the County Board to govern the expenditure of anticipated general fund receipts within the County on October 14, 1980 for the next fiscal year of the county; and,

WHEREAS, as a result of unanticipated changes in revenues and/or needed expenditures, it is necessary to modify the aforesaid budget; and,

WHEREAS, such modification will still maintain a balanced budget between revenues and expenditures.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the aforesaid budget be hereby modified as follows:

<u>Expense Budget Account</u>	<u>Previous Budget Amount</u>	<u>Amended Budget Amount</u>	<u>Change</u>
Personnel-Professional and Contractual Services	2,250.00	12,050.00	+9,800.00
Personnel-Salary Supervision	20,892.00	15,267.00	-5,625.00
Fringe Benefits-Soc.Sec. Tax	183,000.00	182,626.00	- 374.00
Fringe Benefits-Hospitalization	250,000.00	249,520.00	- 480.00
Fringe Benefits-Life Ins.	9,000.00	8,981.00	- 19.00
Contingency	202,043.00	198,741.00	-3,302.00
<u>Revenue Budget Account</u>	<u>Previous Budget Amount</u>	<u>Amended Budget Amount</u>	

Motion was made by Comm. May, Seconded by Comm. Juidici to adopt the foregoing resolution. Upon roll call vote, the following vote was recorded:

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>		<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>
N. Carlson	✓		T. Lowe	✓	
R. Cheatham	✓		S. May	✓	
E. Juidici	✓		J. Racine	✓	
R. LaMere	✓		C. Steele	✓	
B. LaPin	<u>Absent</u>		E. Villeneuve	✓	
F. Leone	✓		P. Farrell	✓	

The Chairperson declared the motion carried and the resolution duly adopted.

A budgetary amendment resolution and a recommendation from the Finance Committee regarding the budget for the Harbor Commission, was read. It was moved by Comm. Leone, supported by Comm. Juidici and unanimously carried on a roll call vote that the county board concur with the recommendation and adopt the budgetary amendment to increase the Harbor Commission budget for 1981 by transferring \$715.00 from the Contingency Account to the Harbor Commission appropriation.

A recommendation from the Finance Committee regarding the payment of claims and accounts in the amount of \$379,904.43, was read. It was moved by Comm. Racine, supported by Comm. Steele and carried unanimously by a roll call vote that the county board concur with the recommendation that claims and accounts in the amount of \$379,904.43 be allowed and ordered paid.

It was moved by Comm. Racine, supported by Comm. Carlson and carried that the Prosecuting Attorney's office be asked to determine if the approval of claims and accounts must be made by the county board or if it can be done by the Finance Committee, as now constituted.

Monthly reports of the Acocks Medical Facility (Jan. and Feb.), the County Road Commission (Jan.), Dept. of Social Services (Feb.) and County Financial Report ending Feb. 28, 1981, were discussed and placed on file.

An opinion from the Chief Civil Counsel Patricia L. Micklow, regarding County Road Commission Financing, was read. It was moved by Comm. May, supported by Comm. LaMere that the opinion be referred to the Finance Committee for informational purposes. It was then moved by Comm. Carlson, supported by Comm. Leone and carried that the motion to refer to the Finance Committee be amended to add "that a courtesy copy of the opinion be furnished to the County Road Commission". A vote was then taken on the original motion as amended "that the Chief Civil Counsel's opinion (POA-81-08) be referred to the Finance Committee for informational purposes and a courtesy copy of the opinion be furnished to the County Road Commission" and the motion carried.

Suggestions by Comm. LaPin "that the gas tax be given to the Road Commission and not to public transit systems" and Comm. Lowe "on the sale of stickers in the county to be placed on automobiles and the money used for county road purposes", were heard.

A short discussion was held regarding the proposed state-wide election to be held May 19, 1981 for the joint Governor/Legislative Tax Proposal, was held.

A communication from Ontonagon Township regarding Upper Peninsula Power Co. proposed rate increase, was read. It was moved by Comm. Carlson, supported by Comm. Lowe and carried that the communication be referred to the Executive Committee for recommendation to the Finance Committee for recommendation to the county board on April 1, 1981.

Comm. Lowe reminded the county board that because of action taken on March 4, 1981 to dismantle the then current Central Dispatch Committee on April 1, 1981 and the implementation of a new Central Dispatch Policy Board by April 15, 1981, leaves the Central Dispatch without an action taking body for 15 days.

It was moved by Comm. May, supported by Comm. LaPin and unanimously carried that the entire resolution to disband be rescinded.

It was then moved by Comm. May, supported by Comm. Leone and carried to amend the original resolution to provide for the disbanding of the Central Dispatch Committee effective April 24, 1981 and to establish a Central Dispatch Policy Board to meet prior to April 24, 1981.

A vote was then taken on the original resolution as amended reads as follows.

- (1) Disband the current Central Dispatch Committee, effective April 24, 1981.
- (2) Authorize the Board Chair to send a letter to the Marquette County Townships Association requesting that they nominate elected representatives to serve on the Policy Board, and to suggest that they attempt to achieve an even geographical representation of township representatives when selecting their nominees;
- (3) Authorize the Board Chair to communicate to each city in the county asking for nominations of elected officials from their city for appointment to the Policy Board.
- (4) Authorize the Board Chair to appoint a representative from the County Board to serve on the Policy Board;
- (5) Request that the Board Chair call the first meeting of the Policy Board and conduct the election of the Chair of the Policy Board, and give them their charge; and

(5) That the first meeting of the Policy Board be held on or before April 24, 1981.

Comm. Lowe advised the county board that the Negaunee State Police Post has an opportunity to get a high speed LEIN Machine for the post, if it is so determined by the LEIN Committee in Lansing. It was moved by Comm. Lowe, supported by Comm. Leone and carried that Chairperson Farrell be authorized to ask help from our State Legislators in obtaining this LEIN Machine.

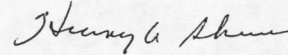
A communication from Norbert Grant of Republic, Mich. regarding some questions he has on equalization and assessment, was read. It was moved by Comm. Carlson, supported by Comm. Lowe and carried that the letter be referred to the Equalization Director for answer to the Executive Committee, the County Board and Mr. Grant.

Comm. Steele gave a short report on the Regional White House Conference on Aging that he attended in Escanaba, Mich.

Chairperson Farrell opened the meeting for public comment, none was forthcoming and Chairperson Farrell declared the public comment section closed.

There being no further business to come before the board, it was moved by Comm. LaPin, supported by Comm. Steele and carried that the meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Henry A. Skewis
County Clerk

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MARQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Wednesday, March 18, 1981, 7:00 p.m.

Commissioners Room, Courthouse Annex
Marquette, Michigan

1. CALLING OF ROLL BY THE COUNTY CLERK.
2. SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.
3. READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 4, 1981 MEETING.
4. PUBLIC COMMENT (time limit of 20 minutes total).
5. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.
6. PUBLIC HEARINGS:
 - a. Public hearing on the submission of an application by Marquette County for a 1981 Community Development Block Grant.
 - 1) Communication from Ted Oslin, Housing Information and Referral Officer, requesting the public hearing be placed on the Board's agenda.
 - 2) Communication from Marquette Township on the Grant application.
 - b.
7. PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS, PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:
 - a. Draft of Brookridge Study Committee's final report.
 - b. Communication from Judge Anderegg on communication from Shirley Tate, Department of Social Services, on Public Act 328, Child Care Funds. Also, Shirley Tate's communication on this topic.
 - c. Memo from the Planning Commission on Proposed Amendment of Marquette County Building, Plumbing, and Electrical Permit Fee Schedules.
 - d. Letter from David Berns, Director, County DSS, resigning as alternate on the AMCAB Board.
 - e. MAC communication on P.A. 16, reimbursements for prisoner related Circuit Court cases.
 - f. Communications from Senator Mack and Representative Koivisto in response to Board's letter on vital records fees.
 - g. Communications from Senator Mack and Representative Jacobetti in response to Board's letter on property tax credits.
 - h. CUPPAD call for Water Supply Projects.
 - i. CUPPAD call for Housing Projects.
 - j. CUPPAD call for Wastewater Projects; and communication from the Planning Commission on recommended Wastewater Projects.
 - k. Letter from Mary Luttinen, Cooperative Extension Director, on the 1981 Plat Book.
 - l. Letter from George Cross, Office of the Corporation Counsel, Wayne County soliciting information on area and scope of services performed by Sheriff's Department.
 - m. Letter from Marquette County Townships Association requesting county contribution for funding of Association Director position.
 - n. MAC communication on state reimbursement to counties for audit expenses.
 - o. Letter from Henry Skewis, Clerk, on appointment of a member at large on Tax Allocation Board.
 - p. Letter from Thomas Hazlewood, Six County Consortium, on Program Agent status.
 - q. MAC communication on Chairperson Exchange Day.
 - r.
 - s.

8. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:
 - a. Report from the Environment, Lands and Buildings Committee on a March 2, 1981 meeting.
 - b. Report from the Personnel Committee on a March 5, 1981 meeting.
 - c. Executive Committee report on a March 10, 1981 meeting.
 - d. Finance Committee report on a March 11, 1981 meeting.
 - e. Recommendation from the Finance Committee on depositories of county funds.
 - f. Finance Committee recommendation on investment of county funds.
 - g. Recommendation from the Finance Committee on budget amendments.
 - h. Finance Committee recommendation on LEAA grant for Prosecutors Management Information System.
 - i. Finance Committee recommendation on claims/accounts.
 - j.
 - k.
9. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:
 - a.
 - b.
10. REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICERS:
 - a. Report for Acocks Medical Facility for January, 1981.
 - b. Acocks Medical Facility report for February, 1981.
 - c. Road Commission report for January, 1981.
 - d. Department of Social Services report for February, 1981.
 - e. *FINANCIAL REPORT OF CONTROLLER*
11. LATE ADDITIONS:
 - a. *MICHLow OPINION ON ROAD MILLACO*
 - A1- LETTER FROM SEC OF STATE ON ELECTIONS*
 - b. *UPPCO- INTERVENTION ON TONGAN TOWNSHIP*
12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
 - a. *Discussion of Central Dispatch Verbal by Towle*
 - b. *Letter from Norbert Grant*
13. NEW BUSINESS:
 - a.
 - b.
14. PUBLIC COMMENT.
15. ANNOUNCEMENTS.
16. ADJOURNMENT.

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March 2, 1981

Honorable Chairperson and Members of the
Marquette County Board of Commissioners
Marquette, Michigan

Ladies and Gentlemen:

A meeting of your Environment, Lands and Buildings Committee was duly called and held on March 2, 1981 and copies of the minutes of that meeting have been furnished to all members of the Board of Commissioners and a copy of the minutes is attached hereto and made a part of this report.

Respectfully submitted,

ENVIRONMENT, LANDS & BUILDINGS COMMITTEE

Cliff J. Steck Chairperson

By
Robert P. LaBee
Dave
Ed H. O'Brien

March 2, 1981

The Environment, Lands and Buildings Committee meeting was duly called and held on March 2, 1981 at 7:00 p.m. at the Marquette County Service Center, Negaunee, MI.

Present: Commissioners Farrell, LaMere, Lowe, Steele and Villeneuve.

Absent: None.

In Attendance: Ronnie Varney, AMCAB; Scott Macy, Executive Director, AMCAB; Duane Beard, Controller; Steve Hult, Buildings and Maintenance Department; and Larry Stone, Administrator, Acocks Medical Facility.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Steele.

The first item of business was approval of the minutes of the February 2, 1981 meeting. No corrections or changes were made to the minutes.

Scott Macy spoke under public comment. He said he would like to have an opportunity to address himself to the letter he sent to the Controller on AMCAB's space in the Service Center. Commissioner Steele read the letter from Mr Macy. Mr. Macy listed problems AMCAB has encountered with their space in the Marquette County Service Center, and asked for a response to the concerns.

In response to a question by Commissioner Farrell, Scott Macy said AMCAB may lose four CETA workers that are located at the Service Center because of the changes in CETA guidelines: One from the Senior Meals Program; two from the Energy Program; and one receptionist.

The Controller stated at the last meeting he provided the committee with letters he had received and written concerning complaints with the Service Center. The Controller read the communications, which were sent by AMCAB, Service Center contractors, the Building Maintenance Supervisor, and himself, for the committee's information. In addition to listing problems, recommendations to alleviate the problems were also provided.

The Controller provided a communication which further updated the Service Center operational complaints. Mr. Beard stated a meeting was held between contractors, the architect and the Building Maintenance Supervisor on February 17, 1981. The mechanical contractor agreed at that meeting to correct problems the architect indicated were his responsibility and he indicated they would do so by April 1, 1981. The Controller felt in order to encourage them to comply the committee should refer the matter to Chief Civil Counsel and have her communicate with the contractor stating the county will seek appropriate remedies if the items are not taken care of by April 1, 1981.

Scott Macy felt their biggest problems are the need for more space, and the ventilation problem in the AMCAB area.

It was moved by Commissioner Farrell, supported by Commissioner LaMere and carried unanimously to ask the Chief Civil Counsel to address a letter to the mechanical contractor as recommended by the Controller.

The committee, along with Ms. Varney and Mr. Macy, then toured the Service Center to review the space allocated to each department housed within the Center. Following the tour the committee returned to the Conference Room to continue the meeting. It was noted the committee had not toured the Service Center since the Health Department had had the petitions in their area installed.

The Controller read a memo of February 2, 1981 to the committee on AMCAB's space request and relocation of the Work Experience Program to another area of the building. He noted Pamela Engman had initially felt they had to be relocated to another section of the building in order to provide space for Emergency Services. However, she was able to make arrangements so that they did not have to be relocated.

Mr. Macy said there is a difference of opinion on the amount of space AMCAB requested at the Center and what the county staff believes was requested. He does not believe, nor does his staff, that there is adequate space. He noted there are two clinic areas in the Health Department area; two conference rooms; considerable available space in the nursing area; and the entrance-way is not being used as a waiting area as had been intended. He said it appears that a move could be made to provide additional space for AMCAB. He said the ventilation system has been a problem for six months, and noted the Controller has had problems in trying to get this resolved. He said AMCAB's preference would be to have the space now housing the Commission on Aging and the Drain Commissioner.

Commissioner Farrell said better use could be made of the area used for storage on the second floor and the entrance-way on the first floor. He said it is ridiculous that space in other parts of the Service Center are not being utilized while AMCAB is crowded. He said the Drain Commissioner is not using his office very often and perhaps he could be moved in with Environmental Health and AMCAB could have his space, and the Work Experience Program staff could be moved into the area now used as storage by EMS. There was some debate as to whether there is sufficient space in the storage area to place three workers.

In response to a question by Scott, the Controller said he did not know whether the Commission on Aging would be willing to relocate or not.

The Controller felt that an architect could develop a plan to utilize the AMCAB space more efficiently. Also he said there is a policy question involved in providing more space to AMCAB since they rent from the county and all other departments are county departments and pay no rent. He said it is a policy decision in regard to giving more space to AMCAB for the same amount of rent or whether they should be charged more.

Scott Macy said they talked with an architect on space allocation and the architect felt the space could be arranged to be more efficient but that would not solve their entire space need.

It was moved by Commissioner Farrell, supported by Commissioner Lowe and carried unanimously to ask the Controller to talk to Al Budinger, Acting Health Officer, on the possibility of housing the Drain Commissioner in the Health Department's Environmental Health section.

The committee felt they should wait until a Health Officer/Medical Director is hired before discussing the possibility of AMCAB using part of the Health Department's space. Ronnie Varney noted it will cost about \$600 to relocate phones for the Work Experience Program.

Steve Hult suggested that EMS move to the Health Department Conference Room on the second floor of the original building; that the Drain Commissioner be placed in Environmental Health; the Commission on Aging relocated to where EMS is currently housed; and assign AMCAB the entire bottom floor of the Service Center.

It was moved by Commissioner Lowe, supported by Commissioner Farrell and carried unanimously that the floor plan suggested by Mr. Hult be circulated to departments affected for their study and comments, which will be reviewed by the committee at their next meeting.

Mr. Macy asked the Controller to send a letter to the AMCAB Board regarding the space question. Mr. Beard indicated he would do so. Scott Macy and Ronnie Varney then left the meeting.

Commissioner Farrell said a determination must be made on rent to be paid by AMCAB should they be given more space. It was moved by Commissioner Farrell, supported by Commissioner LaMere and carried unanimously to ask the Controller to come up with alternative ideas for rental for increased space for AMCAB.

The Controller mentioned charging rent to all county departments for more accurate financial information on the cost of operating each department. He felt departments should also be pro-rated for the cost of their employees' fringe benefits.

The next item of business was review of Rules, Regulations and Procedures for Internal and External Drainage for All Subdivisions Being Platted in Accordance with the Subdivision Control Act. Commissioner Farrell stated a letter was received from the Drain Commissioner addressed to the Finance Committee stating the Drain Commissioner intended to review the document with Engineering Consultants, Inc. and Commissioner Farrell suggested this matter be tabled until he reviewed the document with them. It was moved by Commissioner Farrell, supported by Commissioner LaMere and carried unanimously to table until the next meeting.

A copy of a letter from Ron Koshorek, Associate Planner, to Dupras-Racine Realty, Inc. re their letter offering land for sale to the county for use as a dumpsite was read. It was moved by Commissioner Farrell, supported by Commissioner Villeneuve and carried unanimously to place on file.

The Energy Audit Report on Acocks was presented for comment. Larry Stone said part of the recommendations contained in the report were implemented by Acocks and as a result their energy costs were \$600 less in 1980 than in 1979. The Controller noted the county received an energy grant for the Courthouse and he has asked the Chief Accountant to identify firms that could do the audit. Larry Stone said they have implemented all the operational and

maintenance type recommendations in the report.

Discussion was held on Acocks' facilities, and the Task Force Report on Nursing Care Needs. Commissioner Farrell noted a recommendation to the Board to place a proposal on the ballot to levy millage to construct and operate a new facility failed at the Board level. Larry Stone left the meeting.

A memo from the Controller on a public hearing on a request for a parking variance at 148 W. Spring St. was read. In his memo, Mr. Beard stated the variance was requested by Lee Bureau to permit an Athletic Club to locate at that address. Mr. Beard recommended that concern be expressed that adequate off-street parking and signs be available to direct Athletic Club members so they would not park in the county lots. Following discussion, the communication was placed on file.

A copy of a letter from Duane Beard to Cindy Fassbender, Humane Society, on Humane Society meetings at the Courthouse Annex was read. Mr. Beard said he believes there is a need for a policy defining what type of groups may meet in the Annex. He stated there is a cost involved to open the building for use by any organization. Currently they allow county related committees/groups and state organizations to meet in the Annex, and those groups that have a long history of using the building for meetings.

Commissioner Farrell asked the Controller to provide what the actual cost would be to the county to provide space for organizations to meet in the Courthouse, This will be discussed at the next meeting when more information is available from the Controller.

A public notice from the DNR on an application from the DNR Forest Management Division to construct a ski trail bridge over Pot Luck Creek, Marquette Township, was noted. The comment deadline has elapsed and the notice was placed on file.

The Controller gave a status report on the Courthouse flooding that occurred December 22, 1980. Mr. Beard advised the committee that three cost estimates for the repair of damages that were discovered at the time the adjusters/contractors made their inspection were received and are as follows:

LaBonte and Oatley	\$24,000
Closner Construction Co.	20,160
Menze Construction Co.	23,385

Mr. Beard also provided the committee with a list of maintenance clean up charges that the county can be reimbursed for through the insurance coverages.

Mr. Beard recommended that the committee recommend to the County Board that Gary Yoder, Chief Accountant/Purchasing Agent, be authorized to secure repair services from Closner Construction Co. at such time as they are authorized through the claims filing procedure of the insurance carrier.

It was moved by Commissioner Farrell, supported by Commissioner Lowe and carried unanimously to recommend to the Board to concur with the Controller's recommendation.

A communication from the Controller on disposal of unclaimed evidence and unwanted property was read. The Controller advised the committee that he was recently approached by Sheriff Maino on disposal of unclaimed evidentiary property housed at the County Jail. He noted the Marquette Kiwanis Club, in 1980, solicited contributions from the county for their Garummage Sale. He felt the Kiwanis Club sale provided an opportunity to the county to dispose of unwanted evidence, or excess, or obsolete materials and he recommended that he be authorized, in conjunction with the Chief Accountant/Purchasing Agent, Buildings Maintenance Supervisor and Sheriff, to assemble whatever materials, surplus property and unwanted evidence is available and to negotiate an acceptable basis in which to dispose of this material through the Garummage Sale. He also recommended that this be undertaken with the stipulation that the cost to the County not exceed the percentage that would typically be involved if the County were to obtain an auctioneer and conduct its own sale.

It was moved by Commissioner Farrell and supported by Commissioner Lowe to recommend to the Board that they concur with the Controller's recommendation. The Controller mentioned including the Sheriff Department's cars, that had been put out on bids, with the equipment to be auctioned off. Commissioner Villeneuve noted other organizations hold auctions and perhaps the county should not favor one over the others. The possibility of donating the equipment was mentioned. Commissioner Lowe suggested the county participate with Kiwanis this time and perhaps another organization next time. Following discussion the motion carried unanimously.

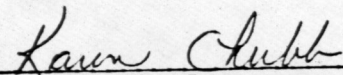
A memo on the Open House for the Service Center was received from the Controller. Commissioner Villeneuve felt the Center was not ready for an Open House at this time. It was moved by Commissioner Lowe, supported by Commissioner Farrell and carried unanimously to table until the next meeting.

The Controller presented an A-95 review on the Department of Public Health's application for funds for an Emergency Medical Services System Program. The Controller recommended that no comment be made on the review. It was moved by Commissioner Farrell, supported by Commissioner Villeneuve and carried unanimously to accept the Controller's recommendation.

Commissioner Lowe said he was approached by an architect concerning a home built by Bruce Farrell in Marquette. The people have moved into the house and have encountered all kinds of problems with it. A final inspection was not made by the Planning Commission. It appears an electrical inspection and an inspection of the basement was conducted and that was all. The Controller felt the issue is a civil matter between the owner and the builder. It was moved by Commissioner Farrell, supported by Commissioner Villeneuve and carried unanimously to ask the Planning Commission to supply records on inspections made at the house.

It was moved by Commissioner Farrell, supported by Commissioner LaMere and carried unanimously to adjourn at 10:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Karen Chubb, Secretary

March 5, 1981

Honorable Chairperson and Members of the
Marquette County Board of Commissioners
Marquette, Michigan

Ladies and Gentlemen:

A meeting of your Personnel Committee was duly called and held on March 5, 1981 and copies of the minutes of that meeting have been furnished to all members of the Board of Commissioners and a copy of the minutes is attached hereto and made a part of this report.

Respectfully submitted,

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Elaine J. Judd
Chairperson

Clay A. Steet

Buby Cheatham

Frank J. Jansen

Kurt P. Lohme

Dave

March 5, 1981

The Personnel Committee meeting was duly called and held on March 5, 1981 at 7:00 p.m. in the Courthouse Annex.

Present: Commissioners Cheatham, Farrell, Juidici, LaMere, Steele, and Villeneuve.

Absent: None.

In Attendance: Gary Yoder, Chief Accountant/Purchasing Agent; and Norma Schoonover, PSE Specialist.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Juidici.

The first item of business was approval of the minutes of the February 5, 1981 meeting. It was moved by Commissioner Leone, supported by Commissioner LaMere and carried unanimously to approve the minutes as presented.

There was no one present to speak during public comment.

The next item of business was approval of the agenda. No additions were made.

A communication from Thomas Hazlewood, Director, Six County Consortium, on program agent status was read. According to Mr. Hazlewood, Marquette County qualifies for program agent status. As program agent the county has the option of operating Title IID and VI programs or delegating that responsibility to the Consortium Administration, as in the past. They also are eligible to compete for Youth Community Conservation Improvement funds as a program agent.

Commissioner Juidici noted there had been some discussion last year about the county acting as program agent, and the Executive Committee finally recommended to the Board to designate the Consortium as the county's program agent.

It was moved by Commissioner Farrell, supported by Commissioner Leone and carried unanimously to table the communication until the next meeting.

Norma Schoonover was present. Norma supplied the committee with financial information on PSE programs in Marquette County and a list of CETA positions presently funded. She said there were over 300 CETA positions last month in Marquette County but due to the changes in payment of unemployment compensation the number of positions have dropped down to 180. She said there will be a phase out of the entire program after September 30, 1981. She said the information they have received regarding the program has been very sketchy at this point. She has been advising sponsoring agencies to express their concerns with the program to their legislators in Washington. She said the opinion in Washington toward CETA is a negative one.

Commissioner Farrell questioned if all sponsoring agencies are aware that they must pay unemployment. He noted some agencies, such as AMCAB, have no funds to pay unemployment insurance. Norma said she will advise the AMCAB Board members of the situation with CETA. Scott Macy had indicated to her they would wait and see what happens rather than lay-off CETA employees.

Norma reviewed correspondence Dale Jamison, Program Coordinator, sent to sponsoring agencies advising them and updating them on the unemployment insurance situation.

She said there seems to be a feeling of false hope by some employing agencies regarding the situation because in the past they have been told the program was in jeopardy and something always came up. She noted the final cut off may occur as soon as April.

Norma informed the committee of the sponsoring agencies that intended to drop their CETA positions because of the current situation and those that planned to pick up the positions on regular payroll. She said some agencies have not yet made a decision regarding their CETA employees.

The committee reviewed the list of Title IID project and non-project positions and Title VI project and non-project positions that Norma provided. Norma felt that in a matter of a couple of weeks there will be very few positions left.

Commissioner Farrell stated perhaps the county should make a decision about cutting some CETA positions so that other positions can be kept for as long as possible. He said it should be determined how much money will be available for remaining positions once all terminations are made. He suggested the committee wait until the Consortium Board determines what its policy will be in this regard. After the Consortium Board meeting there will be a better idea of what to do. Norma said she felt some agencies do not yet understand the situation. Commissioner Farrell questioned what would happen if agencies that do not have funds to pay unemployment insurance fail to terminate their staff at this time; he questioned how the people would be paid unemployment benefits. This will be discussed at the next meeting when more information is available. Norma Schoonover then left the meeting.

The committee discussed the Draft Safety Program prepared by former Personnel Director, Benhard Hill. Commissioner Juidici questioned whether the County Board could charge elected department heads with the responsibility of safety in their departments, as stated in the draft program. It was noted sections of the draft seem to apply to the general fund departments only, and other sections seem to apply to all county departments.

Gary Yoder said he talked to Don May, Wausau Insurance, concerning the plan. Gary said Don May is willing to meet with the committee if they desire. Gary said adoption of a safety program/policy will probably lower the county's workers compensation rates. He noted Don May had said the Community Mental Health Center has a good safety program at this time.

Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Farrell and supported by Commissioner Steele to ask Don May, Wausau Insurance, to look at the draft program and give his recommendations to the committee; and to send the draft program to all general and non-general departments for their review and comments; and to ask those non-general fund departments that have a safety program to supply the committee with a copy of their program plan. Commissioner Leone thought a policy on contagious diseases should be included in the plan.

It was noted in the program plan, the Personnel Director would be the Safety Director. Commissioner Juidici questioned if that would necessitate a change in the Personnel Director's job description. Following discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

It was then moved by Commissioner Leone, supported by Commissioner Farrell and carried unanimously to table until a Personnel Director is hired and to ask Don May to attend the next meeting of the committee.

A communication from the Controller on Personnel/Labor Relations Services was read. This had been tabled at the last meeting. Mr. Beard said he had been approached by Larry Stone, Administrator, Acocks, concerning the possibility of the Personnel Director and Prosecuting Attorney negotiating the Acocks union contract. Beard asked for direction from the committee on this matter.

Gary Yoder stated if the people who would be involved with the negotiations had the time to provide the service to non-general fund departments it would be a good idea to do so as there would be some standardization throughout the county. He said sufficient time to do the negotiations is the biggest problem.

It was moved by Commissioner Leone, supported by Commissioner LaMere and carried unanimously to direct Duane Beard to prepare a report evaluating this issue of extending help to other departments for negotiations.

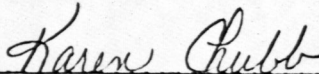
A memo from the Controller on review of the Office of Friend of the Court was read. Mr. Beard said he has an appointment with Garfield Hood, Attorney and Probate Judge in Baraga County, concerning conducting the investigation of the Friend of the Court.

The committee discussed hiring practices of the Friend of the Court and a complaint by Donna Bowyer on the denial of a job in that office. Commissioner Juidici said Donna Bowyer had been denied a job in the Friend of the Court's Office because she was told she was too highly qualified for the job. Duane Beard wrote to Ms. Bowyer, in response to a letter from her, stating the Friend of the Court did not violate any county hiring policies by his actions. The Friend of the Court also wrote a letter to the Personnel Director explaining why he denied Bowyer the job. Commissioner Juidici outlined the circumstances surrounding her denial of the job. She said it seems the manner in which the woman was denied the job gave her a false impression of why she was denied the job.

Commissioner Juidici said she received a call from a retired state police detective in Alger County on conducting the investigation of the Friend of the Court and she advised Duane Beard of the individual's interest.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Karen Chubb, Secretary

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March 10, 1981

Honorable Chairperson and Members of the
Marquette County Board of Commissioners
Marquette, Michigan

Ladies and Gentlemen:

A meeting of your Executive Committee was duly called and held on March 10, 1981 and copies of the minutes of that meeting have been furnished to all members of the Board of Commissioners and a copy of the minutes is attached hereto and made a part of this report.

Respectfully submitted,

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Joseph D. Sanna

Chairperson

Deepest

Ruby Sheppard

Beale J. Linton

James H. Williams

March 10, 1981

The Executive Committee meeting was duly called and held on March 10, 1981 at 7:00 p.m. in the Courthouse Annex.

Present: Commissioners Cheatham, Farrell, LaPin, Racine and Villeneuve.

Absent: None.

In Attendance: Michael Quayle, Undersheriff; Patricia Micklow, Chief Civil Counsel; and Henry Schneider, Equalization Director.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Racine.

The first item of business was approval of the minutes of the February 16, 1981 meeting. It was moved by Commissioner Cheatham, supported by Commissioner Villeneuve and carried unanimously to approve the minutes as printed and received.

There was no one present wishing to speak under public comment.

The agenda was approved as presented.

Michael Quayle, Undersheriff, was present to review the Alcohol Enforcement Program and Jail Inmate Rehabilitation Program conducted by the Sheriff's Department. The purpose of the Alcohol Enforcement Program is to enforce drunk driving laws and increase public awareness of the problems of drinking drivers. The enforcement portion of the program began in May and the patrols are selective in that they are looking for a specific offence. The program has proven beneficial and arrests for drunk driving have increased dramatically. Training received from NMU has also been beneficial and has given deputies a different perspective on the drinking driver. He noted the Department requested an extension of their present grant until September 30, 1981, which was approved. The Sheriff has submitted a budget for second year funding of the grant to the Controller. The second year grant requires a 30% match by the county; 25% if seat belt regulations are enforced in the department. The local match will cost the county \$13,000. Undersheriff Quayle said quarterly reports on the program are submitted to the Office of Highway Safety Planning and a copy to the committee for review.

The Sheriff's Department also has a grant from the Office of Criminal Justice to attempt to bring the County Jail up to acceptable standards per state regulations and court decisions. The program is divided into three parts: 1) Standard procedures for screening new inmates; 2) Educational. They must have an educational program in order to continue receiving surplus food commodities for the Jail; and 3) Recreational. They must provide recreational activities to inmates pursuant to a Saginaw County Circuit Court decision.

He noted a subgrant adjustment was approved for the program after it was determined NMU could not fulfill its contract with the county to train Sheriff's Department personnel. Funds that were to be paid to Northern have been used to buy monitoring equipment and educational materials for the inmates. They have also purchased a Law Library, which must be provided to inmates according to the law. The Department is in the process of developing bid specs for equipment for the program.

Commissioner LaPin noted some people in his district believe inmates are treated too well. The Undersheriff said he understands that position but he also noted some reports of accommodations are exaggerated. Undersheriff Quayle then left the meeting.

Patricia Micklow was present to brief the committee on the county's responsibility for ambulance costs. The county is liable to pay costs from the General Fund for ambulance service if a person is injured on a public highway or road and that person is indigent. The only other time county funds are used is if an indigent person qualifies for social services assistance, and in those cases the DSS would be presented with the bill. She said the Board could establish stringent guidelines before money is handed over, such as requiring an affidavit of indigency and proof the accident occurred on a public highway. Commissioner Racine noted the City of Ishpeming had requested that the county pay bills for ambulance services for indigents and the Board questioned the county's responsibility for paying.

It was noted the draft agreement on the Alger-Marquette Mental Health Board was referred to the Chief Civil Counsel, Controller and Executive and Finance Committees for review and comment. It was felt Section 8 of the document, concerning funding, should be reworked. The committee was asked to report to the Board on the draft by April 1, 1981 but it was felt it was not imperative to do so. Robert Clark was involved in preparation of the draft agreement and Pat Micklow will contact him in her review of the draft. The agreement was tabled until the next meeting of the committee when a more thorough review has been made by committee members and staff.

Pat Micklow was asked to determine the possibility of a millage levy for Road Commission funding. Pat said there is a procedure set forth in the law for building and repairing roads and bridges in the county. Under the law the Road Commission has the responsibility of directing their engineer to do a survey and prepare estimates on necessary road and bridge projects. On the basis of the report a determination is made on the amount of tax to be raised for that year. There is a limitation on the amount that may be levied; the limit for Marquette County is one mill per year. After the Road Commission determines what is needed, they present the plan to the County Board at the annual meeting. The Commission reviews the plan and if a majority of the commissioners accept it then the tax is levied on a proportionate basis throughout the county. The Board may reject or accept all or part of the plan. It is not lawful for the Road Commission to spend funds raised by the levy in a manner other than authorized by the Board. The statute places affirmative duties on the Board to keep roads and bridges in reasonable repair and safe for public travel. Taxes assessed are paid to the Treasurer and a separate fund is kept on the monies.

In response to a question by Commissioner LaPin, Pat stated funds raised in that manner could be used for matching funds with units of government for road improvements.

Another law on the books state that the County Board can place the issue of millage for the Road Commission on the ballot. The proposal must be presented at a general election or special election. This does not require cooperation with the Road Commission. The millage levied by a vote of the people is on-going whereas when requested by the Road Commission it is done on a yearly basis.

It was noted there may be a special general election this Spring on tax proposals supported by the Governor. The millage proposal could be placed on that ballot at that time.

Pat Micklow stated general obligation bonds is also a way to pay for road repair.

It was moved by Commissioner Farrell and supported by Commissioner LaPin to ask Chief Civil Counsel to prepare a written report to the County Board on alternative funding methods for the Road Commission; and that the committee send a letter to the Road Commission with a copy of the report asking them to come to the next committee meeting to discuss the possibility of raising revenues for the Road Commission; and ask the Road Commission to present figures on their budget needs. The motion carried unanimously. Pat Micklow left the meeting.

Henry Schneider was present to discuss the equalization process in keeping with the committee's objective. It was noted Henry had sent a letter to the County Board on an Iron County resolution supporting a reduction in the assessment level from 50% to 40%. The communication was referred to the committee by the Board. Henry said he did not say in his letter that he supported or did not support the resolution but he simply passed it on to the Board. Henry said the county can equalize at any level they wish and they will receive revenues based on that level of assessment.

Discussion was held between Commissioner LaPin and Henry Schneider on the assessment levels of specific units within the county.

Henry provided information to the committee members on the equalization process, including tentative studies.

In response to a question by Commissioner LaPin, Henry said that both field checks and office work is done in determining assessment levels in the agricultural class. Updates are made on property and the department encourages the units to check the updates to be sure they are accurate. Commissioner LaPin mentioned specific instances concerning increased valuations on property that concerned him. Henry said his department does what they can do with the staff they have and they ask the local units to review the studies and determine if the information used is accurate. He said, however, they do not get the input from local units they request.

Schneider said the Tax Commission conducts studies in many U.P. counties and this is standard procedure in those counties because they do not have the staff to perform studies themselves.

He said random selection of parcels for studies will be used this year. Staff will collect data in June; assessors will be notified prior to May what parcels will be used in the study. Commissioner LaPin said property is not selling and he cannot understand how property values can be increasing when they cannot be disposed of by owners.

Commissioner Farrell said he would hope that any decisions made are based on information that has been confirmed as accurate. Commissioner Farrell was excused from the meeting.

It was noted state aid to schools is determined by a formula using SEV.

The committee was informed by Henry Schneider that amendments to the Commercial Forest Act that he addressed in a letter to the committee have passed, therefore it was unnecessary for the committee to consider the information they had on the issue.

It was moved by Commissioner Racine, supported by Commissioner Villeneuve and carried unanimously to place the letter from Schneider on the Iron County resolution on file. Henry Schneider then left the meeting.

Communications from the County Health Board and Department of Public Health on Proposed Consolidation of Substance Abuse Program Administration were presented. It was noted the Health Board has been asked to study this matter and report to the committee. It was moved by Commissioner LaPin, supported by Commissioner Villeneuve and carried unanimously to table until a response is received from the Health Board.

A policy on payment of per diem/travel to members of appointed boards/commissions, and one on standard travel regulations had been adopted by the Board and referred to the committee for inclusion in the Policy Manual. It was moved by Commissioner LaPin, supported by Commissioner Villeneuve and carried unanimously to place the policies in the Policy Manual at the time it is prepared.

The following notices of hearings conducted by the Michigan Public Service Commission were received:

1. Notice of hearing on Upper Peninsula Power Company's application to increase rates.
2. Notice of hearing on Michigan Consolidated Gas Company's application to recover costs through a uniform surcharge.
3. Notice of hearing on Michigan Bell's application to increase charges.
4. Notice of hearing on Upper Peninsula Telephone Company's application to increase rates.

Commissioner Racine stated one of the committee's objectives is to set a policy on handling utility company requests for rate increases and adjustments. It was noted a sub-committee composed of Commissioners Lowe and Coombs studied this matter last year. Commissioner Racine said he would check with Commissioner Lowe on the approach they were taking. The issue was tabled until information is received from Commissioner Lowe.

A resolution from Bay County supporting extending county commissioners' terms from two years to four years was presented and placed on file. The County Board has already gone on record supporting the change.

Resolutions from Sanilac County supporting the increase in commissioners terms, and also supporting decreasing Road Commission terms from six years to two years were placed on file.

A resolution from Hillsdale County on assessing property was read and placed on file.

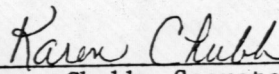
A resolution from Gratiot County on fees for vital records was presented. The County Board has already acted on this matter and the resolution was placed on file.

A resolution from Clinton County on federal budget cuts and tax reductions was noted and placed on file.

Commissioner LaPin questioned what type of historical records of the county are kept. He was referred to the County Clerk who has been compiling county historical records.

It was moved by Commissioner Villeneuve, supported by Commissioner Cheatham and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Karen Chubb, Secretary

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March 11, 1981

Honorable Chairperson and Members of the
Marquette County Board of Commissioners
Marquette, Michigan

Ladies and Gentlemen:

A meeting of your Finance Committee was duly called and held on March 11, 1981 and copies of the minutes of that meeting have been furnished to all members of the Board of Commissioners and a copy of the minutes is attached hereto and made a part of this report.

Respectfully submitted,

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Chairperson
Joseph P. D'Amico

Robert D. D'Amico

Clarence J. J. J. J.

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March 11, 1981

The Finance Committee meeting was duly called and held on March 11, 1981 at 7:00 p.m. in the Courthouse Annex.

Present: Commissioners Carlson, Farrell, Juidici, May and Racine.

Absent: None.

In Attendance: Tim Lowe, County Commissioner; Frank Leone, County Commissioner; Jim Sodergren, Treasurer; Duane Beard, Controller; David Timmons, Marquette Township Manager; Gary Yoder, Chief Accountant/Purchasing Agent; Duane Beard, Controller; John Beerling, Road Commission Superintendent; James Alderton, Road Commission Chair; John Rohde, Ewing Township Supervisor; Larry Stone, Administrator, Acocks; Edwin Villeneuve, County Commissioner; Alan Chase, Planning Director; Bob Mikesch and Jim Carlson, State Audit Division; Margaret O'Neill, Accounting Division; Henry Skewis, County Clerk; Ted Oslin, Housing Referral Officer; Kenneth Luke, Ishpeming; Evelyn Ollila, West Branch Township; Francis Ward, West Branch Township; Harold Bahrman, West Branch Township; Karen Rule, West Branch Township; Rick Colvin, Marquette Township Clerk; Earl Robinson, Skandia Township Supervisor; and Jeffrey Duvall, Peninsula Arts Appreciation Council.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Carlson. The first item of business was approval of the minutes of the February 11, 1981 and February 25, 1981 meetings. A memo from the Controller regarding corrections to the February 11, 1981 minutes was read. He said paragraph 6, page 3 should state the budget transfer occurred in the Accounting Department and not the Controller's Department. Also in paragraph 9, line 6, page 3, the statement "The Controller stated there are management problems with providing adequate, timely input to departments to let them know if a particular budget is in trouble" should be changed to "The Controller stated that the management information system is currently not adequate to provide reports to departments quickly enough to prevent all overexpenditures".

It was moved by Commissioner Racine, supported by Commissioner Juidici and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of February 11, 1981 with the above corrections, and the minutes of February 25, 1981 as presented.

The public comment section was opened. No one wished to speak under public comment and that section was closed.

Approval of the agenda was the next item of business. Communications from the Treasurer were placed closer to the top of the agenda in the event the Treasurer wished to comment on them, and so that he would not have to wait so long to do so.

The public hearing on use of Federal Revenue Sharing Funds was opened. Commissioner Carlson noted the original revenue sharing funding was used to pay off bonds for the construction of the Jail and Courthouse Annex. A millage was approved by the voters for the bonds but the millage was never levied because the bonds are being paid off with the revenue sharing funds.

Commissioner Farrell entered the meeting.

Commissioner Carlson said the legislature has approved a second round of revenue sharing funds and the county will be receiving in excess of \$846,000 for 1981. Commissioner Carlson said the public hearing is to receive comments on the use of those funds. He said the Finance Committee will be recommending a budget amendment to the Board on the revenue sharing funds. He noted a recommendation on the use of funds will be formulated at the Finance Committee's April meeting for presentation to the County Board. Gary Yoder said the first quarterly payment of revenue sharing has been received by the county.

Commissioner May entered the meeting.

Commissioner Carlson noted the county's intent has been not to use the revenue sharing funds for operating expenses but for capital outlay purchases. He noted a public improvements fund was established in 1978 which is for capital outlay expenditures. He opened the meeting to public comments.

James Sodergren, Ishpeming Township, felt funds should be used to rehabilitate the Courthouse. He said he understands the financial situation of the Road Commission but does not believe the money was appropriated by Congress with the intent to support the Road Commission. He noted Regular Account interest in 1980 amounted to \$650,000; the projected amount was \$120,000. He recommended that \$150,000 of the interest be appropriated to the Road Commission to recall laid off employees.

Commissioner Carlson noted the County Board and Finance Committee received resolutions from many units of government supporting an additional appropriation to the Road Commission.

Jim Alderton, Road Commission Chairperson, said he believes that revenue sharing funds are to be used at the discretion of the local governments. He asked the committee to consider appropriating funds for various Road Commission projects. He provided the following list of Road Commission needs.

Projects: Total cost \$375,000

1. Relocate Gwinn garage (\$295,000).
2. Construct salt storage building in Humboldt Township (\$58,000).
3. Acquire land in Chocolay Township to relocate Skandia Township garage (22,000).

Equipment: Total cost \$687,000

1. Replace five rear wheel driven snow plows (\$155,000).
2. Replace six tandem axle dump trucks (\$174,000).
3. Replace ten single axle dump trucks (\$170,000).
4. Repower grader and install new engine (\$12,000).
5. Purchase grader (\$65,000).
6. Purchase four chemical spreaders (\$28,000).
7. Purchase three pick up trucks (\$19,500).
8. Purchase used dozer (\$50,000).
9. Purchase snow blower (\$15,000).

Other Requests:

1. A sum of \$90,510 to match with local units to resurface roads.
2. A sum of \$130,310 to pave 10 miles of county primary roads.

Jim Alderton said the Road Commission priorities are in the following order: 1) Equipment, or any portion of it; 2) Paving of local road system; 2) Paving of primary road system; 4) Building site and storage facilities.

In response to a question by Ken Luke, John Beerling said there are about 500 miles of paved primary roads in the county, which is about half of the road system. The life of a paved road is 15 to 18 years. It costs \$30,000 per mile to resurface a road.

Commissioner Carlson noted the Finance Committee and Intergovernmental Relations Committee had met with the Road Commission on their budgetary needs and stated if anyone wishes to speak on it they were welcome to.

Earl Robinson questioned lay-offs at the Road Commission. He supported an appropriation to the Road Commission.

Jim Alderton noted that they project they will receive \$10,000 more in MVHF this year than had been anticipated at first.

Commissioner Carlson mentioned the various units that had sent resolutions supporting the Road Commission appropriation and those that did not.

John Rohde, Ewing Township, noted their township had discussed the possibility of the Road Commission doing some paving in Ewing Township. Harold Bahrman, West Branch Township, said West Branch Township supports an additional appropriation to the Road Commission.

Ken Luke noted he initiated the resolution supporting more funds for the Road Commission. He spoke in support of the equipment and paving request and thought they should be a top priority for use of revenue sharing funds. He believes the ultimate responsibility for the Road Commission is with the County Board since they designate the Road Commission. He also felt the county should consider funding for the Road Commission as a top priority in their yearly budget.

No else wished to speak during the public hearing and the public hearing was closed.

Commissioner Carlson said he received calls from individuals concerned that local units' resolutions supporting more funds for the Road Commission were not read at the Board meeting. Commissioner May noted all commissioners and the media had copies of the resolutions presented to them at the Board meeting and they were noted at the meeting. If anyone had wished that they be read individually they could have requested such.

The next item on the agenda was discussion of the Community Development Block Grant and salary of Housing Referral Officer. Ted Oslin, Housing Referral Officer, and Alan Chase were present for the discussion.

A communication from Alan Chase to the committee on the salary for Housing Referral Officer was read. An amendment to the 1981 budget was requested to continue the position after grant funds terminate for the previous CDBG. Alan Chase indicated a more recent communication on this matter was sent to the Controller.

Ted Oslin noted he was asked to present a progress report on the application to the committee. He provided the committee with information on the citizen participation plan, which outlines how citizens will be involved in the application and implementation of the program, and information on the grant application itself.

Ted Oslin presented options for the committee's consideration for the final application, along with his recommendations, which included:

1. Target area: Combination of neighborhood strategy concept --(Trowbridge Park) and county-wide rehabilitation. (Ted Oslin noted the county's application was down graded for inclusion of county-wide rehabilitation plan.)
2. Limit scope of rehabilitation to meeting code items.
3. Limit loan/grants provided for complete rehab projects to assessed value of home or \$12,500, whatever is less.
4. Limit loan/grant for spot rehab projects to 50% of assessed value or \$2,500, whatever is less.
5. Continue neighborhood strategy approach for future CDBG applications.
6. Use point system to determine what homes will be rehabilitated and rehabilitate only owner occupied homes.
7. Deferred payment of loans, no interest. Ted recommended that when owner sells the house or rents it the entire loan amount become due and the monies go back to the rehab fund.
8. Limit income eligibility to 80% of median income. Those that fall between 150% of poverty level and the maximum range would receive a loan equal to 67% of the cost of the project.
9. Limit spot rehabilitation projects outside of the target area to families with income less than 150% of poverty level.
10. Liens be placed against property for loan security.
11. Licensed contractors do the rehabilitation work and require three bids for each project.
12. Hold workshop for contractors to orient them to the program.
13. Construction Contract: Ted suggested that the Chief Civil Counsel be asked to develop a contract agreement.
14. Contractor payment procedure: Ted said most contractors like to be paid shortly after project is completed and the County's committee and Board schedule for approving bills would not allow this.

Discussion was held on appropriating more General Fund monies for the continuation of the Housing Referral Officer position. The Controller recommended that \$7,500 be appropriated to continue the position to July 31, 1981. Commissioner May expressed concern about amending the budget for the salary before the Board decides whether or not to submit a final application.

It was moved by Commissioner Farrell, supported by Commissioner May and carried unanimously to recommend to the Board to amend the budget for Housing Referral Officer by \$7,500 with funds from the Contingency Account to continue the position until July 31, 1981, with the stipulation that the position will terminate if the Board chooses not to submit a final CDBG application. Ted Oslin said part of the \$7,500 will be reimbursed to the county through the grant.

The committee concurred with the majority of Ted Oslin's recommendations for the final grant application. However, they requested that a provision be made to the effect that if an individual falls between 150% of the poverty level and the 80% median level and cannot obtain a loan through other sources for 33% of the project that the individual be awarded a 100% loan.

In regard to loan repayments, the committee asked that a provision be added to the effect that the county will go through Probate Court to receive a loan repayment in the event of the death of the owner.

In regard to selection of contractors, the committee asked that provision be made for all bondable contractors to be eligible to bid on any particular project, and not limit the bids to three contractors per project.

Alan Chase said it is the Planning Commission's recommendation that because of the building slump regular Planning Commission staff be assigned to the program.

Commissioner May commended Ted Oslin for his work in preparing the plan and application.

It was moved by Commissioner Juidici, supported by Commissioner Farrell and carried unanimously to direct Ted Oslin to prepare the final application of the CDBG per the committee's direction.

Ted noted the county was ranked six out of 32 CDBG projects approved. He said he received a letter from Commissioner Farrell asking that he keep the Board updated on the status of the application and he questioned how the updates should be presented. Commissioner Farrell asked that they be given to the Board Secretary for distribution.

Ted Oslin, Dave Timmons and Richard Colvin then left the meeting.

Bob Mikesch and Jim Carlson, Local State Audit Division, were present to review the county's preliminary audit report on FY 1979 with the committee. Mikesch noted it is a preliminary draft, subject to change and not available to the media.

In reviewing the report, the committee decided that Chief Civil Counsel should be asked to determine how the Board should handle requests for special appropriations in order to determine which organizations the Board can legally contribute to.

Jim Sodergren expressed appreciation to the state auditors for the assistance provided to his department when requested.

Concern was expressed by the committee on the deficit in the Trust and Agency Account - Retirement Account. Commissioner Carlson felt the deficit should be made up with revenue sharing funds.

The Controller said when the final audit report is received steps will be taken to comply with the recommendations.

A letter was received from the County Clerk on the transfer of the Accounting Division to his department. Duane Beard provided the committee with a memo on Accounting and Related Issues - A Problem Solving Approach. Because of the lateness of the hour the committee felt this issue should be discussed at a special meeting. The Controller noted a special meeting will have to be held during the week of March 22 to review the preliminary budget materials. A special meeting to finish those items on the agenda the committee does not dispose of at the present meeting will be held on March 19, 1981 at 7:00 p.m. A meeting to review the preliminary budget materials will be held prior to the Committee of the Whole meeting on March 25, 1981 at 6:00 p.m.

Henry Skewis and Margaret O'Neill then left the meeting.

The committee reviewed the financial condition projection report.

A communication from the Treasurer on depositories for county funds was read. He felt the following financial institutions were eligible for designation as county depositories.

1. First National Bank of Marquette.
2. First National Bank of Negaunee.
3. Miners' First National Bank, Ishpeming.
4. Northern Michigan Bank of Marquette.
5. The Peninsula Bank, Ishpeming.
6. Union National Bank, Ishpeming.
7. Gwinn State Savings Bank, Gwinn.
8. Detroit & Northern Savings & Loan.

Sodergren said credit unions in the county have jurisdictional boundaries; none of them serve the entire county population. He said he has not received any calls from credit unions requesting to be a depository.

Sodergren also provided a resolution for county funds, and an investment resolution, for the committee's consideration. Jim said he would like the flexibility of investing funds outside the county when greater interest rates can be gained by doing such.

It was moved by Commissioner Juidici, supported by Commissioner Racine and carried unanimously to recommend to the Board to approve the resolution on depositories and the list of recommended depositories submitted by Sodergren.

It was moved by Commissioner Racine, supported by Commissioner Juidici and carried unanimously to recommend to the Board approval of the investment policy resolution and that the Controller be designated to work with the Treasurer to develop a preamble to the resolution indicating the general intent of allowing investments outside the county.

A copy of a letter Jim Sodergren sent to Pauline Hall, Standish, MI, stating the he would not sign a check of \$22,500 to pay the state for the county audit. He believes the state is required to do the audit by law and to sign the check would violate his commitment and oath of office to uphold the State Constitution. Commissioner Farrell read a letter he received from MAC on audits of local governments, which will be presented to the County Board. It was noted a contract was signed between the county and the state for the audit and the Board authorized the expenditure of the funds for the audit.

The committee considered a budget amendment for the Register of Deeds in the amount of \$3,000 from the Contingency Account to utilize a half-time staff person full-time as a temporary fill-in for an employee on sick leave. It was moved by Commissioner May, supported by Commissioner Farrell and carried unanimously to recommend to the Board that they approve the budget amendment.

A proposed amendment for the Personnel Department was considered. The Controller presented various ways to amend the budget to allow for the completion of a job classification/compensation study. A sum of \$6,498.33 is available from funds for the salary of Personnel Director during the time the position is vacant. An additional \$3,301.67 is needed to cover the cost of retaining a firm to complete the study. It was moved by Commissioner Farrell, supported by Commissioner Carlson and carried unanimously to recommend to the Board that they approve a \$3,301.67 amendment from the Contingency Account to provide sufficient funds to retain a firm to complete the job classification/compensation study.

Jeffrey Duvall, PAAC, was present to discuss PAAC's request for an appropriation from the county for their organization. Per a Chief Civil Counsel opinion, it is illegal for the county to make such an appropriation although they can enter into a contractual arrangement with such an organization. Commissioner Carlson suggested that Mr. Duvall request the funds in the form of a contractual agreement.

The Harbor Commission budget was discussed. It was moved by Commissioner Juidici, supported by Commissioner May and carried unanimously to recommend to the Board to amend the Harbor Commission budget by \$715 with funds from the Contingency Account.

A status report was presented by the Controller on data processing feasibility study/computer grant. The communication updated the committee on the data processing study and informed them of the availability of a 100% Prosecuting Attorney's Association Michigan grant funded through LEAA to purchase a Prosecutors Management Information System computer (PROMIS).

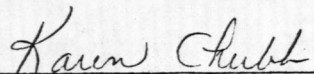
It was moved by Commissioner Juidici, supported by Commissioner Farrell and carried unanimously to concur with the Controller's recommendation that:

1. The County apply for a PROMIS grant and appropriate signatures should be authorized.
2. The County should make a commitment to install the Prosecutor's Management Information System on its computer if the grant is successful.
3. The County should commit to run batch reports, subpoenas, etc. for other counties in the Upper Peninsula recovering our actual cost after our system is operational.
4. The County should request a delay on the final equipment decision until the Data Processing Study is complete. If it is not possible to delay a decision, the County Board should accept the Burroughs 1955 mini-computer gear and appropriate the difference between the \$80,000 and the approximately \$110,000 cost from County funds.

The committee reviewed bills submitted for payment in the amount of \$379,904.43. It was moved by Commissioner Racine, supported by Commissioner May and carried unanimously to approve the bills as presented.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Karen Chubb, Secretary