The Marquette County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Tuesday, June 17, 1997 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 231 of the Henry A. Skewis Annex, Marquette, Michigan.


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

It was moved by Comm. Arsenault, seconded by Comm. Roberts and unanimously carried by voice vote that the minutes of the June 3, 1997 Regular Board Meeting be approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairperson Corkin opened the meeting for public comment.

Dr. Krista West, Ph.D in Public Administration and Public Affairs, Political Science Department at NMU since 1993, and member of the Marquette County Board of Health since January, 1996, distributed a written statement and summary of various Health Department budget line items for FY 1997. Dr. West contended that although the Health Department offers many services that are not mandated by the Public Health Code, including the Soil Erosion Program, the Soil Erosion Program is not expensive. Upon recommendation from the Health Department’s top management, the Soil Erosion Engineer’s position will be reduced to part-time beginning in the fall. Neither the Soil Erosion Engineer nor the Director of Environmental Health Division supports this action. The Soil Erosion Program has received awards for its excellence. Should the County Board choose to move Soil Erosion to another County location she recommends it be insulated from direct influence by elected officials. The Director of the MCHD is hostile to the Soil Erosion Program so it would not be advisable to leave it at the Health Department.

Dr. West continued to point out that most of the programs of the MCHD are not self-sufficient, however, Home Health and selective programs in Personal Health are self-sufficient, resulting in revenue subsidizing other services at MCHD. Home Health is not a mandated program. Many private providers of home health services in the County have protested MCHD offering home health and private duty services, understandably so, because no one likes to see their tax money fund their competition. The goal of being "self-sufficient" seems to be causing the MCHD to de-emphasize government’s main responsibility, to provide programs of general societal benefit, in favor of revenue producing activities in areas that compete with the private sector.

Dr. West also contended that Dr. Johnson, MCHD Director, has great expertise and knowledge regarding public health but as an administrator he is inept. He avoids dealing with personnel problems, even though 90% of management problems are people problems. The MCHD Director receives a salary of over $100,000 and in addition is allowed to amass compensatory time.

Dr. West thanked the County Board for allowing her to share these concerns. Her position on the Board of Health has been enlightening, however, Dr. West resigned effective immediately. She will soon be married and leaving the area.

There being no further public comment, Chairperson Corkin closed this portion of the meeting.

It was moved by Comm. Bergdahl, seconded by Comm. Arsenault and unanimously carried by voice vote that the agenda be approved with the following late additions: 11a) Sawyer Airport Lease, 11b) Sawyer Snowmobile Trail, 11c) Sawyer Heating Conversion Agreement, and 11d) Sheriff’s Department Cross-Deputization with Keweenaw Bay Tribal Police.
PRIVILEGED COMMENT

Chairperson Corkin distributed a resolution which provides for the official dissolution of the
KI Sawyer Base Conversion Authority. Marquette County is now the Local Reuse Authority (LRA).
The Base Conversion Authority has transferred its financial assets over to Marquette County in the
net amount of $441,232.56.

It was moved by Comm. Seppanen, seconded by Comm. Arsenault and unanimously carried
by voice vote to place the Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 28 on file which states as follows:

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 28

WHEREAS, Marquette County fully concurs in the recommendation to dissolve the authority and is prepared to provide
leadership and governance of the reuse program established by the authority; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE (the House of Representatives concurring), That pursuant to Section 10 of 1993 PA 159,
being MCL Sec. 3.580, the legislature does hereby dissolve the K.I. Sawyer Base Conversion Authority effective April 19, 1997;
and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Michigan Jobs Commission and to Marquette County
officials.

Adopted by the Senate, March 27, 1997.
Adopted by the House of Representatives, April 16, 1997.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

It was moved by Comm. Roberts, seconded by Comm. Joseph and unanimously carried by
voice vote that the following informational items be accepted and placed on file:

a. Road Commission Report for the Month of April, 1997
b. Announcement from Conrad L. Mallett, Chief Justice, that the Michigan Supreme Court Will Visit the Upper Peninsula
   on June 26 and 27.
c. Response from Congressman Bart Stupak regarding County Resolution on "State Family Preservation."
d. Response from Tim McGuire, Executive Director, MAC, regarding Resolution to Preserve Local Control Over the Mental
   Health System in Michigan.
e. Letter from Mike Zorza, Emergency Program Manager, to Tom Rumora, KI Sawyer Development Director, regarding
   Marquette County's Emergency Management Procedures.

ACTION ITEMS

It was moved by Comm. Rapport, seconded by Comm. Roberts and unanimously carried by
voice vote that Action Items 10a, 10b, 10e, 10g, 10h, 10n, and 10o be approved as follows:

10a) Committee of the Whole Recommendation that the County Board approve of the
Strategic Plan as formatted by Rita Hodgins, Strategic Planning Facilitator.

10b) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to adopt a resolution approving the Project
Plan for the Pioneer Laboratories, Inc. Project, resolution as follows:

COUNTY OF MARQUETTE
STATE OF MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION APPROVING PROJECT PLAN
AS SUBMITTED BY THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF MARQUETTE
(Pioneer Laboratories, Inc. Project)

WHEREAS, there exists in the County the need for certain programs to alleviate and prevent conditions of
unemployment and to revitalize the County's economy, and to assist industrial and commercial enterprises, and to encourage the
location, expansion or retention of industrial and commercial enterprises to provide needed services and facilities to the County
and its residents; and

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WHEREAS, a program to alleviate the aforesaid conditions has been initiated by The Economic Development Corporation of the County of Marquette (the "Corporation"); and

WHEREAS, the Corporation in conformity with Act No. 338, Public Acts of Michigan, 1974, as amended ("Act No. 338"), has prepared and submitted a project plan (the "Project Plan"), providing all information and requirements necessary for a project involving Pioneer Laboratories, Inc., a Michigan corporation and the financing of the acquisition, construction, furnishing and equipping of an addition to the existing manufacturing facilities of Pioneer Laboratories, Inc., including the acquisition and installation of related machinery and equipment therefor (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Corporation has approved the Project Plan; and

WHEREAS, in conformity with Act No. 338 and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), this legislative body has conducted a public hearing on the Project, the Project Plan, and the bonds to be issued in the maximum aggregate principal amount of not to exceed $1,500,000 of taxable bonds proposed therein to be issued by the Corporation to finance part of the costs of the Project (the "Bonds");

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The Project Plan, as submitted and approved by the Corporation, meets the requirements set forth in Section 8 of Act 338 and is hereby approved.

2. The persons who will be active in the operation and management of the Project for not less than one year after approval of the Project Plan have sufficient ability and experience to manage the plan properly.

3. The proposed methods of financing the Project as outlined in the Project Plan are feasible and this Corporation has the ability to arrange, or cause to be arranged, the financing.

4. The Project as submitted is reasonable and necessary to carry out the purposes of Act No. 338 and is hereby approved.

5. Issuance by the Corporation of Bonds in an amount not to exceed $2,500,000 of tax-exempt bonds and in an amount not to exceed $1,500,000 of taxable bonds, in accordance with the terms set forth in the Project Plan to finance all or part of the costs of the Project as described herein and in the Project Plan is hereby approved.

6. Based upon the information submitted and obtained, the Project Plan as submitted and the Project to which it relates serves to alleviate and prevent conditions of unemployment and strengthen and revitalize the County's economy and, therefore, constitutes a vital and necessary public purpose.

7. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and the same hereby and rescinded.

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

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10e) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to approve a contract for police services between the Charter Township of Marquette and the Marquette County Sheriff's Department. The contract provides payment for Marquette Township of $82,526 for 1.4 FTE Road Patrol Deputies based on the County's actual cost of $28.34 per hour to provide these services.

10g) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to approve a land exchange with the Michigan DNR and authorize the Chair to execute a deed conveying Forest Management Unit 78, which is approximately 200 acres and contains the Sporley Lake Public Access Site within it for State land of 400 acres lying west of the Sawyer runway.

10h) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to approve the Sub-Lease for the KI Sawyer Development Housing Project and authorize the Chairperson to execute the agreements.

10n) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to adopt the resolution approving the Michigan Air Service Grant Agreement.
RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT BY THE MARQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE MICHIGAN AIR SERVICE GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE MARQUETTE COUNTY AIRPORT.

WHEREAS, the Marquette County Board of Commissioners has received a Grant offer from the Michigan Department of Transportation for the Michigan Air Service Grant Program for the Marquette County Airport, and

WHEREAS, the Marquette County Board of Commissioners wishes to enter into a contract with the Michigan Department of Transportation for the Michigan Air Service Grant Program for the Marquette County Airport,

THEN BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Marquette County Board of Commissioners approves entering into MDOT Contract No. 97-2311 for Airport Awareness Projects, and the Chairperson is authorized to execute the aforementioned contract.

Adopted this 17th day of June, 1997
Gerald O. Corkin, Chairperson
Marquette County Board of Commissioners

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10o) A Marquette County Planning Commission recommendation to appoint Lynn Coehoorn to the CUPPAD Regional Commission.

ACTION ITEMS CONTINUED

10c) The County Board considered a resolution opposing the Governor’s Build Michigan II Program in its present form and further urging that the Governor and the Legislature work with local units of government to resolve issues of concern regarding maintenance of roads in Michigan before legislation is enacted.

Comm. Cihak suggested the County Board table the resolution because MDOT is conducting a meeting Thursday morning at Northern Michigan University. He thought it may be helpful to wait until after that meeting.

Chairperson Corkin noted that of all the various revenues reported in the Governor’s plan, only one has passed which amounts to a mere $28 million. We don’t believe the other funding sources will be available. The plan calls for local roads to be the responsibility of the local governments which would require increasing property taxes. In the Upper Peninsula a special problem exists because of snow plowing. We need reliable snow removal services and cannot rely on private contracts with "Joe’s Snow Plowing Service" to handle the job. If you talk to rank and file personnel and MDOT they agree with the County Road Commissions. It’s only the administration of MDOT that is pushing the Governor’s plan.

Comm. Arsenault reported that the Governor wants his legislation pushed through by July 1st. The MDOT recently held a meeting in Crystal Falls but could not debate the issue with the Road Commissioners that were present.

Comm. Seppanen noted that timing is of the essence. We must adopt this resolution tonight to give our support for the Road Commission an edge. The Marquette County Road Commission has always been up front and accurate on their assessments for road maintenance costs.

Comm. Roberts contended that the Governor’s Build Michigan II plan has too many variables and will not work, especially in the Upper Peninsula.

Comm. Joseph noted that with local control over maintenance the County Road Commissions can react to local people’s needs. We will do a much better job locally than the State could every do by privatizing.

Comm. Tuominen further explained that the Governor’s Build Michigan II Plan takes the funding for State and Federal primary roads out of the control of the local road commissions. Leaving only the maintenance of local roads to local units of government would create an impossible situation.

It was moved by Comm. Arsenault, seconded by Comm. Tuominen and unanimously carried by voice vote to adopt the following resolution:
RESOLUTION
MICHIGAN ROAD REPAIR FUNDING

WHEREAS, Governor John Engler's comprehensive transportation package, Build Michigan II, for repair, reform and responsibility, addresses both capital and maintenance needs for the Michigan's transportation system, and

WHEREAS, the package contains an element that transfers jurisdiction of all county primary roads eligible for federal funding to the State of Michigan, and

WHEREAS, as the result of the transfer of jurisdiction there will be a loss of local control over maintenance and improvements for those roads, and

WHEREAS, under Build Michigan II, State funding for the local road system is dependent solely on the non-growth element of the current Act 51 funding formula, the tax on gasoline, and

WHEREAS, State funding for the local road system will be on the average return less for counties than the already insufficient level of funding, and

WHEREAS, the only dependable elements of the package which make up the proposed $570 million dollars are the Diesel Discount elimination and the increase in the gasoline tax, totaling $228 million dollars, and

WHEREAS, it is proposed in the package that all needed revenue over and above State funding become the responsibility of the local communities, and

WHEREAS, an element of Build Michigan II is to privatize the maintenance on the primary roads to be transferred to the State as well as on the State trunkline system, which could be potentially disastrous for communities that experience severe winter conditions,

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Board of Marquette County Commissioners hereby opposes Build Michigan II in its present form and,

FURTHER, that the Governor and the legislature work with the local units of government to resolve all issues of concern before Build Michigan II is enacted to law.

Adopted this 17th day of June, 1997
Gerald O. Corkin, Chairperson
Marquette County Board of Commissioners

10d) The County Board considered a recommendation from the Committee of the Whole to approve the Purchase Contract for the Heavy Rescue Vehicle contingent upon insurance and legal review.

Comm. Chak inquired into the condition of the present emergency vehicle and noted that it had no rust and it was reported to be running fine. He requested the Board slow down on this issue. Spending $176,000 for a new rescue vehicle should be held off because the present vehicle is doing a good job. Somewhere there must be a used vehicle that could be equipped at less cost.

Comm. Seppanen noted the County Board during the last several budget processes went over the heavy rescue vehicle issue ad nauseam. Answers to every possible question were supplied by Lt. Zorza. The County Board determined two years ago that it was necessary to purchase this vehicle.

It was moved by Comm. Seppanen, seconded by Comm. Joseph and carried by voice vote 9 Ayes to 1 Nay (Comm. Chak) that the County Board approve of the Purchase Contract for the Heavy Rescue Vehicle with 3-D Manufacturing for the price of $176,386, funds earmarked in CIP for this project.

10f) The County Board considered a recommendation to approve the Impaired Driving Countermeasures Grant Agreement in the amount of $15,697 requiring a $1,000 local match.

Sue Girard Jackson, Community Safety Coordinator, Sheriff's Department, was present and noted that one of the objectives of the grant to reduce alcohol related crashes by 2% may not sound like much but is a realistic objective in light that the grant only has time period of 2-1/2 months.
It was moved by Comm. Arsenault, seconded by Comm. Bergdahl and unanimously carried by voice vote that the County Board approve the Impaired Driving Countermeasures Grant Agreement and adopt the following budget amendment for the local match:

**RESOLUTION AMENDING M.C.T.V. FUND BUDGET**
Fiscal Year 1997 Amendment No. 19

WHEREAS, budgets were adopted by the County Board on October 8, 1996, to govern the receipts and expenditures of the various County funds 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 as required by P.A. 621 of 1978.

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

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

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The Chairperson declared the motion carried and the resolution duly adopted this 17th day of June, 1997.

10) The County Board considered a Committee of the Whole Recommendation to approve the Red Fox Woods Phase I Housing Project. Comm. Chihak expressed concern regarding outstanding utility bills from the Red Fox Inn. He recently reviewed a list and all past due utility bills have been paid except for $29,000 for the Red Fox Inn. This seems excessive.
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Comm. Arsenault noted part of the problem is that the Air Force sporadically billed for utilities and often estimated utility costs. Some bills were sent 2 to 3 months apart and may have been considered delinquent which was not the case. Comm. Arsenault further noted that there are three companies involved within the Red Fox Properties, Inc. and commitments have been made to pay off all the bills in arrears. Also, because of the process required for future leases, no delinquency problem should occur in the future.

Harley Andrews, Civil Counsel, has reviewed the matter and arrangements have been made for the utility balances to be completely paid up by the end of June. One problem that had occurred is Red Fox Woods maintained many square feet of empty building space without it generating any revenue. He is not concerned with the Red Fox Woods Housing Project.

It was moved by Comm. Arsenault, seconded by Comm. Rapport and carried by voice vote 9 Ayes to 1 Nay (Comm. Cihak) that the County Board approve if the Red Fox Woods Phase I Housing Project.

10j) It was moved by Comm. Roberts, seconded by Comm. Rapport and carried by voice vote 9 Ayes to 1 Nay (Comm. Cihak) that the County Board approve the Engineering Services Agreement for Sawyer Aviation Projects with URS Greiner at a price of $39,000.

10k) The County Board considered a Committee of the Whole Recommendation to approve of a plan and timeline as recommended by Planning Staff for the drafting of a Request for Proposals for the redevelopment of the Marquette County Airport in Negaunee Township. The recommendation provides that a working committee be appointed and include the Airport Manager, Planning Staff, Negaunee Township Supervisor, and EDC Staff. This committee will be comprised of five to six individuals.

Comm. Cihak noted that he requested in writing on June 6th to be appointed to the Reuse/Redevelopment Committee for the current Marquette County Airport and wondered if this will be the case.

Comm. Rapport added that the Airport Board would also like one of its members on the Committee.

Chairperson Corkin noted that the recommendation from Planning Staff which the Committee of the Whole approved is now before the County Board, but it has no Commissioners on it.

It was moved by Comm. Roberts, seconded by Comm. Joseph and carried by voice vote 9 Ayes to 1 Nay (Comm. Cihak) that the County Board approve of the plan and timeline as recommended by Planning Staff to draft RFP’s for the redevelopment of the Marquette County Airport in Negaunee Township.

10l) It was moved by Comm. Roberts, seconded by Comm. Arsenault and carried by voice vote 7 Ayes to 3 Nays (Comm. Bergdahl, Cihak, Rapport) that the County Board adopt the following Negaunee Township Airport Resolution:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Marquette County Board of Commissioners on June 3, 1997, adopted a resolution advocating to the officials of Negaunee Township "a spirit of cooperation"; and

WHEREAS, the redevelopment of the mosaic universe of K.I. Sawyer Air Force Base involves the contiguous townships of Negaunee, Sands, West Branch and Forsyth; and

WHEREAS, the valuable prime real estate that exists once the present airport in Negaunee Township is relocated, must not be allowed to become fallow; and

WHEREAS, the aura of construction of K.I. Sawyer as an instrument of peace to ensure quality employment is in the best interest of the public. Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that this urban commercial plan for privatization be implemented into fruition with the utmost expediency.

Adopted this 17th day of June, 1997
Gerald O. Corkin, Chairperson
Marquette County Board of Commissioners
10m) The County Board considered a recommendation to send a request to Peter Cambier, Northern Initiatives, to set aside $200,000 in the Education, Training, and Investment Fund (ETIF) for AMR training.
Comm. Cihak believes the County Board has supported AMR in many ways and would rather see this $200,000 spent for other training programs around the County.
Chairperson Corkin noted that when the County Board approved the Memorandum of Understanding with AMR part of the agreement was to provide $190,000 in funding for training through Northern Initiatives.
It was moved by Comm. Joseph, seconded by Comm. Arsenault and unanimously carried by voice vote that the County Board approve of sending a request to Peter Cambier, Northern Initiatives, for the $200,000 to be set aside in the ETIF for AMR training.

10p) The County Board considered mid-year appointments to various County Boards and Commissions. The following individuals were appointed:

**Solid Waste Authority**
Edward J. Koto, Skandia Township - 3-year term expiring 7/1/2000

**Commission on Aging**
Jack Mitchell, Forsyth Township - Senior Category, term ending 12/31/97
Lidia Menczacka, Forsyth Township - Expert/Interested Category, term ending 12/31/97
Judith A. Krause, Negaunee - Expert/Interested Category, term ending 12/31/98

**Planning Commission**
Mike Touchinski, Chocolay Township - term ending 12/31/99

**Local Emergency Planning Committee**
Ed Dulaney, Marquette
Brian G. Stiemma, Champion

**LATE ADDITIONS**

11a) The County Board considered the KI Sawyer Airport Lease. Ron Koshorek, Resource/Management Director, noted that the 25 year lease document must be executed in order to proceed with improvements that are required by the FAA and other agencies. The lease has been reviewed by Civil Counsel. Mr. Koshorek recommends that the County Board authorize the Chairperson to sign the lease documents.

Harley Andrews, Civil Counsel, further explained that the County Board approved a Proposed Airport Lease Agreement on May 6, 1997. Since that date the County has been awaiting receipt of the original documents from the Air Force which were received on June 13th. The originals contained some modifications from the draft that was approved by the County Board which Mr. Andrews called to their attention. Many of the modifications were editorial in nature and he did not speak to those.

More specifically, the current draft contains one modification to the insurance requirements which the County had requested. The current draft contains the modification requiring the County to insure structures for their "fair market value", while the previous draft required the County to insure all structures at their replacement cost.

Harley Andrews noted that the current document also contains a condition which provides that the government shall have the right to terminate this lease if the County: 1) Fails to submit within 1 year from the beginning date of the lease term, a plan of use and an application to acquire the leased premises as a public airport, or 2) If such a plan of use and application are not recommended for approval by the FAA. The intent of this language is to encourage the County to proceed as rapidly as possible with the submission of its Plan of Use and its application to acquire the proposed airport property.
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Because this new termination language is a significant addition to the previous document, Civil Counsel Harley Andrews believed the current revised document should be reviewed by the Board. Mr. Andrews does not find the termination language to be of any concern.

Comm. Cihak suggested that the County Board take a week to review the Lease Agreement before giving it final approval.

Hal Pawley, Airport Manager, was present to answer questions regarding condition 24 of the Lease Agreement. Mr. Pawley reported that deicing plan has been developed. This is a requirement, not only for the new Airport at Sawyer, but has been required of the present Airport. He noted that the hydraulic cylinders on the hanger doors on Buildings 423, 424, and 425 have been leaking and need either replacement or repair. Boreal Aviation are requesting a long term lease for these buildings and he is in the process of negotiating the details regarding the hanger doors.

Hal Pawley also reported that it is very important to proceed as quickly as possible. The Lease Agreement is required for the County to access funds that are available in Passenger Facility Charges and with the EDA. Mr. Pawley noted that we may be eligible for up to $1 million under the Federal MAP Program and is concerned about missing the cutoff date. Any delay may cause us to not be eligible for 1997.

It was moved by Comm. Roberts, seconded by Comm. Arsenault and carried by voice vote 9 Ayes to 1 Nay (Comm. Cihak) that the County Board approve of the Sawyer Airport Lease and authorize the Chairperson to execute the necessary documents.

11b) The County Board considered the KI Sawyer Snowmobile Trail Permit. Comm. Arsenault, Chairperson of the KI Sawyer Economic Development Committee, reported that last evening the KISEDc approved a Trail Permit to be issued to R&G Management for $100 per month for use of the snowmobile trail. He recommends that the County Board approve of the Snowmobile Trail Permit to R&G contingent upon review by Risk Management.

It was moved by Comm. Arsenault, seconded by Comm. Tuominen and unanimously carried by voice vote that the KI Sawyer Snowmobile Trail Permit be issued to R&G Management, contingent on insurance review.

11c) The County Board considered the Heat Conversion Agreement with the Air Force for $2.65 million. Comm. Arsenault, Chairperson of the KISED, noted that they have submitted a prioritized list totaling $3.6 million for the heat conversion of buildings at KI Sawyer. He suggested that the County Board accept the $2.6 million and then request an additional $1 million as per this prioritized list.

Comm. Cihak noted that initially the Air Force promised the County $5.1 million but cut that to the $2.65 million. He does not agree with the County Board accepting the reduced amount and will vote against the Heat Conversion Agreement.

Chairperson Corkin pointed out that it is important that the County Board accept the $2.6 million to get many of the buildings converted before winter sets in. The 3.6 million is an updated amount required to complete the heating conversion projects at Sawyer. The federal government likes to see results so if we utilize the $2.6 million to convert most of the buildings then chances are very good we can get the $1 million more for the rest.

It was moved by Comm. Arsenault, seconded by Comm. Roberts and unanimously carried by voice vote that the County Board submit the prioritized list for the $2.65 million to our Federal Legislators and also request an additional $1 million to complete the heating conversion as per the list.

11d) The County Board considered the Sheriff Department cross deputation with the Keweenaw Bay Tribal Police. Comm. Angeli raised some questions regarding the cross deputation.

Chairperson Corkin will place this issue on the next Committee of the Whole meeting and invite the Sheriff to speak to the issue.

Chairperson Corkin opened the meeting for public comment.
BILL Pesola thanked the County Board for approval of the Red Fox Woods Phase I Housing Project. He noted that more has been accomplished in the last 5-1/2 weeks working with the KI Sawyer Development Committee, Civil Counsel Andrews, and Chairperson Corkin than in the past 22 months under the Base Conversion Authority. He commends the County Board for their actions promised that his project will bear fruit at KI Sawyer.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS, STAFF COMMENTS, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Comm. Rapport, Liaison with the Airport Board, noted that action has been taken by the Airport Board for the next 60 days to reduce the menu, and staff at the Airport Restaurant. They are trying to stem the flow of losses. If this does not work then the next step will be to reduce the Airport Restaurant operations further.

Comm. Rapport also noted that the Airport Board would like to have a representative on the RFP Committee for the reuse of the Airport. The Airport Board also requests a closed session on litigation facing the Airport on a future agenda.

Comm. Cihak noted that Dr. West had some strong comments regarding the Health Department and would appreciate some response from the Health Department or the Health Board Liaison.

Comm. Seppanen noted that Dr. West is basically correct regarding the Home Health/Private Duty Program, however, the best way to be prepared for managed care is to have a self-sufficient Private Duty/Home Health Program in place. The issue of nonmandated versus mandated has been ongoing and Dr. West has not been on the winning side of the debate, that is part of the reason she came to the County Board. Last year was the first year in 12 years that the Health Department has come to the County Board for assistance. Dr. Johnson has done an excellent job with personnel issues at the Health Department and he is a top notch administrator.

Comm. Rapport suggested that Dr. West’s comments be sent to Dr. Johnson and to Health Board Chair Harvey Wallace for a response.

Comm. Cihak expressed his disappointment in not being appointed to the County Airport Redevelopment Committee that will develop RFP’s. Neguane Township Supervisor Chuck Prusi requested that he be on it. He was not aware until tonight that he would not be on the Committee. There are four Commissioners on the KISEDCC.

Chairperson Corkin noted again that the County Board acted on a recommendation from Ron Koshorek as to the makeup of the working group. If the County Board so desired all 10 Commissioners could have been appointed to it. As it stands now, there are no County Commissioners on it.

Comm. Seppanen noted that the County Airport Redevelopment Committee meetings will be open meetings and any Commissioner who is interested is entitled to attend. This Committee will undertake basically a short-term planning activity which is different from the KISEDCC which is an operational committee.

Chairperson Corkin announced that MDOT will be holding a meeting Thursday, June 19th from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the NMU University Center Charcoal Room regarding the Governor’s Build Michigan II Road Maintenance Plan. He encouraged any Commissioners that can to go, he intends to go.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

David J. Roberts
Marquette County Clerk
MARQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Regular Meeting, Tuesday, June 17, 1997 at 7:00 p.m.
Room 231, Henry A. Scowen Annex
Marquette, Michigan 49855

1. ROLL CALL.
2. SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.
4. PROCLAMATIONS, PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS.
5. PUBLIC COMMENT. (time limit 20 minutes total)
6. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.
7. PUBLIC HEARINGS.
8. PRIVILEGED COMMENT:
   a. State Resolution to Dissolve the KI Sawyer Base Conversion Authority.
9. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:
   a. Road Commission Report for the Month of April, 1997
   b. Announcement from Conrad L. Mallett, Chief Justice, that the Michigan Supreme Court Will Visit the Upper Peninsula on June 26 and 27.
   c. Response from Congressman Bart Stupak regarding County Resolution on "State Family Preservation."
   d. Response from Tim McGuire, Executive Director, MAC, regarding Resolution to Preserve Local Control Over the Mental Health System in Michigan.
   e. Letter from Mike Zorza, Emergency Program Manager, to Tom Rumora, KI Sawyer Development Director, regarding Marquette County's Emergency Management Procedures.
10. ACTION ITEMS:
    a. Committee of the Whole Recommendation Authorizing Rita Hodgins, Strategic Planning Facilitator, to Format the Strategic Plan for County Board Consideration.
    b. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Adopt the Resolution Approving the Project Plan for the Pioneer Laboratories, Inc.
    c. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Adopt a Resolution Opposing the Governor's Build Michigan II Plan for Maintenance of State Roads.
    d. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Approve the Purchase Contract for the Heavy Rescue Vehicle.
    e. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Approve the Contract for Police Services with Marquette Charter Township.
    f. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Approve the Impaired Driving Countermeasures Grant Agreement.
    g. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Approve a Land Exchange with the Michigan DNR.
    h. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Approve the Sub-Lease for the KI Sawyer Development, Inc. Housing Project.
    i. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Approve of the Red Fox Woods Phase I Housing Project.
    j. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Approve the Engineering Services Agreement for Sawyer Aviation Projects with URS Greiner.
    k. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Approve a Plan and Timeline for the Redevelopment of the County Airport in Negaunee Township.
    l. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Adopt a Negaunee Township Airport Resolution.
    m. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Request Northern Initiatives to Set Aside $200,000 in the Education, Training, and Investment Fund for AMR.
    n. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Adopt the Resolution Approving the Michigan Air Service Grant Contract.
    o. Planning Commission Recommendation to Appoint Lynn Coelhoorn to the CUPPAD Regional Commission.
    p. Mid-Year Appointments to Various County Committees.
11. LATE ADDITIONS:
    a. KI Sawyer Airport
    b. KI Sawyer Recreational Trail
    c. Heat Conversion
12. PUBLIC COMMENT. (time limit 20 minutes total)
13. COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS, STAFF COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.
14. ADJOURNMENT.