BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  COUNTY OF MARQUETTE  MAY 20, 1997

The Marquette County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Tuesday, May 20, 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. Tuominen and unanimously carried by voice vote that the minutes of the May 6, 1997 Regular Board Meeting be approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairperson Corkin opened the meeting for public comment.

Peg Braamse, 1414 Garfield, Marquette, former County Commissioner District 2, reported that she was one of seven Commissioners last August who voted yes to move the Airport. Hundreds of hours of discussion and evaluation were spent in the face of many deadlines because the County Board needed sound economic evidence to do the right thing. It is obvious that Marquette County cannot run two airports. The FAA won’t allow it and we cannot afford it. Two key factors considered in moving the Airport include the tie in with AMR and the funding opportunities offered through the base closure process. Ms. Braamse resents the implication that the 1996 County Board was incompetent in its decision making. She commended the nine Commissioners who are voting Aye on continuing our commitment to follow through on moving the Airport.

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

It was moved by Comm. Arsenault, seconded by Comm. Roberts and unanimously carried by voice vote that the agenda be approved with the following late addition: Item 11a) Draft Responses to Questions from the Strategic Planning Session of April 26, 1997 and switch Action Items 10c and 10d around.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

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


b. Notice that the Marquette County Habitat for Humanity has Received a Grant of $11,550 through Habitat for Humanity International.

c. Certification that Chairperson Corkin Attended Training in “The Jail as a Part of County Government” Conducted by the National Institute of Corrections.

ACTION ITEMS

It was moved by Comm. Roberts, seconded by Comm. Joseph and unanimously carried by voice vote that actions items 10h, 10i, 10j, 10k, 10l, and 10m be approved as follows:

10h) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to approve of the Air Service Grant Program Application by the Marquette County Airport with the Michigan Bureau of Aeronautics to make the traveling public aware of the County Airport and its airline services schedule. The Grant Program will advertise for all airlines with an estimated project cost of $16,667 of which $15,000 are grant funds leaving a local match of $1,667 from the Airport Budget.
10,i) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to approve the Staff Summary regarding the Tilden Mining Company Permit Application to place 115 million tons of rock strippings in the Tilden Lake and surrounding wetlands area, and further to send a County Representative to present the summary at the public hearing conducted by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality.

10,j) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to adopt a resolution certifying approval of the Pioneer Laboratories, Inc. project area designation, establishing the project area boundaries, and appointing Commissioners Arsenault and Chak as additional EDC Directors for the Pioneer Laboratories, Inc. bonding project, and further, to adopt a Resolution calling for a public hearing regarding the Pioneer Laboratories Project Plan to be held Tuesday, June 10, 1997 at 6:00 p.m. Resolutions are as follows:

COUNTY OF MARQUETTE
STATE OF MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION CERTIFYING APPROVAL OF PROJECT
AREA DESIGNATION,
ESTABLISHING PROJECT DISTRICT AREA BOUNDARIES
AND APPOINTING ADDITIONAL DIRECTORS
(Pioneer Laboratories, Inc. Project)

WHEREAS, there exists in the County of Marquette, State of Michigan (the "County"), the need for certain programs to alleviate and prevent conditions of unemployment, to assist and retain local industrial and commercial enterprises in order to strengthen and revitalize the County’s economy and to encourage the location and expansion of industrial and commercial enterprises in order to strengthen and revitalize the County’s economy and to encourage the location and expansion of industrial and commercial enterprises to provide needed services and facilities to the County and its residents; and

WHEREAS, a program to alleviate the aforesaid conditions and accomplish said purposes through 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 therefore (the "Project") has been initiated by The Economic Development Corporation of the County of Marquette (the "EDC"); and

WHEREAS, The EDC in conformity with Act No. 338, Public Acts of Michigan, 1974, as amended ("Act No. 338"), has designated or will shortly designate the hereinafter described project area for such a program to this Board of Commissioners for its approval thereof; and

WHEREAS, it is also necessary for this Board of Commissioners to establish project district area boundaries; and

WHEREAS, it is also necessary for this Board of Commissioners to approve the appointment of two additional directors to the Board of Directors of the EDC pursuant to the provisions of Section 4(2) of Act No. 338;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. This Board of Commissioners does hereby certify its approval of the project are described as:

   Land situated in the City of Marquette, County of Marquette, State of Michigan, described as Pioneer Laboratories, Inc., more commonly known as 375 River Park Circle, Marquette, Michigan 49855.

2. This Board of Commissioners does hereby establish as a project district area the property described as:

   Land situated in the City of Marquette, County of Marquette, State of Michigan, described as Pioneer Laboratories, Inc., more commonly known as 375 River Park Circle, Marquette, Michigan 49855.

3. This Board of Commissioners does hereby certify its approval of Commissioner Arsenault and Commissioner Chak as additional Directors of the EDC to serve in conformity with the provisions of Section 4(2) of Act No. 338.

4. It is hereby determined that the requirements of Section 20 of Act No. 338 have been met and that the formation of a project citizens district council is not required.

5. The County Clerk be and is hereby directed to deliver a certified copy of this resolution to the Secretary of the Board of the EDC.
6. All resolutions and parts of resolutions in so far as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and the same hereby are rescinded.

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

David J. Roberts
Clerk, County of Marquette

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COUNTY OF MARQUETTE
STATE OF MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION CALLING PUBLIC HEARING
CONCERNING PROJECT PLAN
(Pioneer Laboratories, Inc. Project)

WHEREAS, there exists in the County of Marquette, State of Michigan (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 to retain employment opportunities in the County; and

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

WHEREAS, the Corporation in conformity with Act 338 of the Public Acts of Michigan, 1974, as amended ("act 338"), and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, has prepared and submitted a project plan (the "Project Plan") involving Pioneer Laboratories, Inc., 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, pursuant to Act 338 it is necessary to hold a public hearing concerning the Project, and Project Plan and the bonds proposed therein to be issued by the Corporation (the "Bonds"), prior to taking legislative action relating to it;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. Pursuant to the aforesaid Act 338 the Board shall meet on Tuesday, June 3, 1997, at 7:00 o’clock p.m., at which time it shall conduct a public hearing on the Corporation’s submission to the Project Plan and the issuance by the Corporation of the Bonds.

2. The Clerk be and is hereby directed to give notice of such public hearing by (1) publishing a notice thereof in The Mining Journal a newspaper of general circulation in the County at least fourteen (14) full days prior to the date set for the hearing; (2) posting in at least ten (10) conspicuous and public places in the project district area; and (3) mailing to the last known owner of each parcel of real property in the project district area at the last known address of the owner as shown by the tax assessment records, which notices shall be mailed and posted at least ten (10) full days prior to the date set for said hearing.

3. Said notice shall be in substantially the following form:

OFFICIAL NOTICE TO THE CITIZENS OF THE
COUNTY OF MARQUETTE
OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A PROJECT PLAN
AND THE ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS PROPOSED THEREIN
AS SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE
COUNTY OF MARQUETTE
BY THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
OF THE COUNTY OF MARQUETTE
FOR THE PIONEER LABORATORIES, INC., PROJECT

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to Act 338 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1974, as amended, The Economic Development Corporation of the County of Marquette has submitted a project plan to the Board of Commissioners of the County of Marquette for its approval.
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Said project plan deals with 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") to be owned and operated by Pioneer Laboratories, Inc., a Michigan corporation (the "Company") and to be located on a project area or site described as follows:

That portion of the following described real estate, situated in the City of Marquette, County of Marquette, State of Michigan, commonly known as 375 River Park Circle, Marquette, Michigan 19855, which will be used as a manufacturing facility.

Said project plan also includes all of the information required by law relative to said project and its impact on the community. No persons will be displaced from the project area as a result of this project. Said project plan also proposes the issuance of tax-exempt and taxable revenue bonds by said Economic Development Corporation in a maximum aggregate principal amount of not to exceed $2,500,000 of tax-exempt bonds and a maximum aggregate principal amount of not to exceed $1,500,000 of taxable bonds to assist in the financing of said Project.

The Board of Commissioners will meet as a Committee of the Whole at 6:00 o’clock p.m., Tuesday, the 10th day of June, 1997, in the Board of Commissioners’ meeting room located at the County Courthouse, Marquette, Michigan, and will conduct a public hearing.

The public hearing shall consider the advisability of the Board of Commissioners project plan and the issuance of bonds as proposed therein.

THIS NOTICE is given pursuant to the requirements of Section 10 and 17 of Act 338, Public Acts of Michigan, 1974, as amended. The project plan and relevant maps or plats are available for inspection at the County Clerk’s office.

All interested citizens are encouraged and will be offered an opportunity at said hearing to address the Board of Commissioners concerning said project, said project plan, and the bonds proposed to be issued. Written comments may also be submitted to the County Clerk prior to said hearing.

DAVID J. ROBERTS  COUNTY CLERK

4. The County Board of Commissioners does hereby determine that the foregoing form of notice and the manner of publication directed is adequate notice to the citizens of the county of Marquette and is well calculated to inform them of the intention of the Board of Commissioners to hold a public hearing and the purpose of the public hearing.

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

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.  * * * * * *

10k) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to allow $12,500 previously approved for a local match for the nonmotorized pathway be transferred to the Transportation Enhanced Program Application from the DNR Recreation Grant Application Program.

10l) Committee of the Whole Recommendation that the County Board forward a Court Financing Survey to the State Court Administrative Office in Lansing.

10m) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to adopt a Behavioral Health Care Services Resolution as follows:

MARQUETTE COUNTY RESOLUTION
BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE SERVICES

WHEREAS, counties and community mental health boards have been partners in the delivery of mental health services since 1963; and

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan's Department of Community Health is designing managed care approaches for Medicaid primary and behavioral healthcare programs with a behavioral carve-out; and
WHEREAS, for public mental health systems to work there must be local accountability, local control, and local ability to individualize and customize care on a community basis in order to network with other community resources; and

WHEREAS, the CMH system has proven its ability to manage care through full management and its successful performance in gatekeeping the Medicaid psychiatric inpatient program; and

WHEREAS, the emphasis in the DCH plan on population size and the plan to contract out behavioral care services would threaten local accountability, local control and local ability to individualize the customize care on a community basis; and

WHEREAS, the merits of the managed care behavioral health approach will be considered by the Legislature during its review of the 1997-98 Department of Community Health budget;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Marquette County Board of Commissioners supports the behavioral health carve out as a long-term strategy for the delivery of mental health services in Michigan which will preserve Medicaid funds for the Mental Health Code identified priority populations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Marquette County Board of Commissioners supports retaining the locally based CMH service system because it maintains local control and local accountability as well as retains applicability of the Open Meetings and the Freedom of Information Acts; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Board of Commissioners wishes to communicate to the Governor and members of the 89th Legislature that a public mental health system must be preserved as an individual community service under local county control with the ability to customize programs as needs arise in order to remain a safety net as intended by the Mental Health Code.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution be forwarded to the Michigan Association of Counties, Governor’s Office, and our Upper Peninsula State Legislators.

Adopted this 20th day of May, 1997
Gerald O. Corkin, Chairperson
Marquette County Board of Commissioners

ACTION ITEMS CONTINUED

10a) The County Board considered a Lead Agency Agreement for the 1996 EDA Grant. Steve Powers, County Administrator explained that the first four items on the County Board’s Agenda this evening are related to the EDA Grant. The County Board back in September adopted a resolution, and until two weeks ago, the EDA accepted the Marquette County EDC as a lead entity but that is no longer satisfactory. The lead entity must have the authority to commit itself to contracts and agreements and the County of Marquette has much more at stake and invested regarding K1 Sawyer than the EDC. The EDA is requiring one agency to be the lead agency and Administrator Power is recommending that the County be it.

Comm. Joseph expressed concern about who will administer the Grant. The County Board has been encouraging the EDC to increase its revenue from outside sources and rely less upon a General Fund appropriation. Comm. Joseph suggested that the County contract with the EDC for grant administration services.

Comm. Tuominen pointed out that the EDC has been working on the 1997 EDA Grant Application for $4.45 million. They would need funding from some source to be able to keep on working.

Administrator Powers pointed out that this is not a question of competency or of who will keep the administrative dollars but rather what agency has the most at stake regarding K1 Sawyer. The County Board could contract out for administrative services with the EDC but still has final responsibility. Staff will have recommendations regarding administration when the grant comes. The Lead Agency Agreement being considered by the Board tonight is for the 1996 $2.227 million EDA Grant. A similar agreement will be necessary for the 1997 EDA Grant.

Chairperson Corkin noted that the County Board should be comfortable with the Administrator’s recommendation. We must remember that we are County Commissioners first.

It was moved by Comm. Arsenault, seconded by Comm. Roberts and carried by voice vote 8 Ayes to 1 Nay (Comm. Cihak) that the County Board adopt the following Lead Agency Agreement:
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LEAD AGENCY AGREEMENT

Marquette County and the Economic Development Corporation of Marquette County agree that Marquette County is the lead agent for the EDA project, building rehabilitation, runway, fuel farm and aviation control systems improvements on the former K.I. Sawyer Air Force Base and rehabilitation of a bridge providing access to the base. The lead agent is designated to act with full legal authority to bind the County and EDC and to act as the official representative of the grantee in connection with all actions necessary to complete this project.

Gerald O. Corkin, Chairperson
Marquette County Board of Commissioners

10b) The County Board considered the EDA Indemnification Agreement between the County of Marquette and the EDA, U.S. Department of Commerce, for the indemnification of the building renovation, airfield, and road improvements as a condition of the County receiving an EDA Grant in the amount of $2,227,600.

Comm. Cihak reiterated that he has no problem supporting the economic development and reuse of KI Sawyer but he cannot support moving the County Airport to KI Sawyer based on the information he has seen so far.

It was moved by Comm. Tuominen, seconded by Comm. Arsenault and carried by voice vote 8 Ayes to 1 Nay (Comm. Cihak) that the County Board approve of the EDA Indemnification Agreement for Project No. 06-409-02832.

10d) The County Board considered an Agreement between the County of Marquette and American Eagle for the Marquette County Airport Remediation and Investigation Plan. Steve Powers, County Administrator, reported that both AMR Eagle and Simmons Airlines have signed the Agreement.

Comm. Cihak reiterated that he has no problem supporting the economic development and reuse of KI Sawyer but he cannot support moving the County Airport to KI Sawyer based on the information he has seen so far.

It was moved by Comm. Arsenault, seconded by Comm. Roberts and carried by voice vote 8 Ayes to 1 Nay (Comm. Cihak) that the County Board approve of the Agreement with American Eagle for the Marquette County Airport Remediation and Investigation Plan.

10c) The County Board considered a Committee of the Whole Recommendation that was tabled on April 15, 1997 to approve the Premeau Enterprises low bid for the renovation of Building No. 664 at KI Sawyer. Steve Powers, County Administrator, explained that the previous actions just taken by the County Board to approve the Remediation and Investigation Plan and also the Indemnification Agreement clear the way for the contract award by the EDA. If the EDC signs the Lead Agency Agreement work will begin on the renovation of Building No. 664 when notice by the EDA is given to proceed. Should the EDC not sign the Lead Agency Agreement then there is a problem. Premeau Construction meets both the EDA and AMR’s criteria.

It was moved by Comm. Arsenault, seconded by Comm. Rapport and carried by voice vote 8 Ayes to 1 Nay (Comm. Cihak) that the County Board approve of Premeau Enterprise’s low bid of $155,220 for the renovation of Building No. 664 at KI Sawyer.

10e) The County Board considered a recommendation from the Committee of the Whole to approve a Prime Lease with the Air Force Base Conversion Authority and Sub-leases with MACASU for sixteen Electra Avenue housing units and an additional 324 housing units to be phased in over a period of five years. Steve Powers, County Administrator, reported that the Air Force has responded to the letter of May 8th from Tom Rumora, KI Sawyer Development Director, and has agreed to phase in leases for the housing units at KI Sawyer. This is good news! This means Marquette County won’t be exposed to approximately $77,000 in additional insurance costs.

Comm. Angeli expressed concern about potential social problems developing along with the housing units at KI Sawyer. He felt that the County Board and developers should do all they can to not create any social problems.
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Comm. Rapport concurred with these reservations but noted that the Sheriff's Department is considering establishing a satellite station near KI Sawyer which would help.

Bill Perry, President, and Ray Amtmann, Secretary/Treasurer of MACASU, were present and assured the County Board they intend to build a quality neighborhood. They have established covenants and rules and are looking forward to providing a good place for people to live. They commended the County Board for their effort on this project and noted they already have a list of people waiting to become residents at KI Sawyer.

It was moved by Comm. Arsenault, seconded by Comm. Roberts and unanimously carried by voice vote that the County Board approve of the MACASU Leases as follows:

1) Approve Prime Lease with AFBCA for 16 housing units on Electra Avenue.
2) Approve 5/8/97 Sub-lease with MACASU, with effective date (as soon as possible) for 16 housing units.
3) Approve Prime Lease with AFBCA for 324 housing units and one office if AFBCA agrees to activate the Prime Lease in phases.
4) Approve Sub-lease with MACASU for Phase 1 of 324 unit housing plan.
5) Approve Sub-lease Option Agreement with MACASU for housing unit Phases 2 through 6.

10f) The County Board considered approval of the Grant Agreement for Engineering Design of Sawyer Project with the Michigan Bureau of Aeronautics. The estimated cost for the design services is $297,000 with Marquette County's share at $14,850 to be taken from Passenger Facility Charges.

Comm. Cihak opposes this recommendation for the same reason as previously stated.

It was moved by Comm. Bergdahl, seconded by Comm. Joseph and carried by voice vote 8 Ayes to 1 Nay (Comm. Cihak) that the County Board approve of the Grant Agreement with the Michigan Bureau of Aeronautics for Engineering Design of KI Sawyer Projects.

10g) The County Board considered a recommendation to approve a Memorandum of Agreement between the Air Force Base Conversion Authority and the County of the replacement of specified heating systems and to further negotiate for funding adjustments.

Comm. Cihak noted the formula used for the $2.643 million was developed out of the Wurtsmith Air Force Base Closure. KI Sawyer is much further north and the cost for snow removal and heating must be one of the highest of any military base in the country. Comm. Cihak suggested the County Board not approve of the MOA but rather go back to the negotiating table and hold out for the $5.1 million that was originally promised.

Steve Powers, County Administrator, reported that U.S. Senator Levin and Congressman Stupak met with Ron Coleman last Thursday and Administrator Powers is leaving tomorrow (Wednesday, May 21) for Washington D.C. to attend a base closure training session along with Tom Rumora and Harley Andrews. They intend to continue the discussions regarding the heating conversion needs. The policy used by AFBCA to provide the $2.643 million has already been strayed from by AFBCA not subtracting funds spent on the past heating season and the conversion costs for the AFBCA building. As a result, Mr. Powers believes it is still possible that Marquette County could receive more funding by further negotiations.

It was moved by Comm. Roberts, seconded by Comm. Bergdahl and carried by voice vote 8 Ayes to 1 Nay (Comm. Cihak) that the County Board approve the Memorandum of Agreement with the Air Force Base Conversion Authority on the replacement of specified heating systems for the $2.643 million currently being offered and continue to negotiate for further funding adjustments.
LATE ADDITIONS

11a) Administrator Powers distributed the draft of the responses to questions resulting from the Strategic Planning Session of April 26th. Mr. Powers reported that the Mining Journal has agreed to publish the questions and the answers. If there are any changes or concerns regarding the responses now is the opportunity for the Board to take action.

Comm. Cihak reported that he received a copy of the crosswind study but still has a problem believing the statement that at KI Sawyer the winds are predominantly northerly. He wondered why the Negauane Township Airport built their runway basically east/west and KI Sawyer was built north/south?

Hal Pawley, Airport Manager, explained that the critical times occur in the winter when the winds are predominantly out of the north so planes can land and take off into the wind. It is a matter of timing and condition of the runway. In the summertime when the runways are bare aircraft can stand much more crosswinds.

Ray Amtmann profiled his background as an experienced pilot both for the military and as a civilian. For 2-1/2 years he lived and worked on the runway at KI Sawyer. He explained that runway conditions at Sawyer are very good and interruptions in flight patterns are very minimal. Sawyer has a much better capability than the present airport for landings. It has everything Marquette County needs now and for the next 50 years and is the best choice for a County Airport. Mr. Rumora could not answer why Marquette County built an east/west runway at the present airport, however, before the closure of KI Sawyer the County Airport was seriously considering a major expense of millions of dollars to construct a north/south crosswind runway.

Comm. Cihak also noted that the capital costs are approximately $7 million to move the Airport. If all the grant funding doesn't materialize we may need a millage, perhaps not for the first several years, in order to continue the County's present service level. We should let the public know that a millage may be necessary sometime in the future.

Comm. Roberts noted that last August the County Board made a decision and is now committed to developing KI Sawyer and moving the Airport. We now have an opportunity to help Negauane Township develop a very valuable piece of property complete with utilities, streets, and parking. He would like to refer to the present airport as "Downtown Negauane Township" and contended it would be wise for Negauane Township to get started on development plans. He believed that it would be an excellent site for a car and truck plaza.

Comm. Rapport expressed appreciation for the Mining Journal printing the questions and responses. This document will go a long way for providing answers. People have a right to raise questions, however Comm. Rapport noted that the County Board makes its decisions in an open public forum.

Chairperson Corkin thanked Administrative Staff for preparing the responses to the questions. He believed moving the Airport is a "can do" thing and there will be 2,000 new jobs at KI Sawyer by the year 2002. He is excited about it. The County Board as leaders must work together with the Community to develop KI Sawyer through sound planning. This should be a positive experience.

It was moved by Comm. Joseph, seconded by Comm. Rapport and unanimously carried by voice vote to place the draft responses from Strategic Planning on file.

Chairperson Corkin opened the meeting for public comment. None was forthcoming.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS, STAFF COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Comm. Cihak read from Page 69 of a $60,000 market consulting report prepared for the Michigan Jobs Commission:

"Establishing Sawyer as the regional airport, which has been highly debated here, could be a boost to the installation's versatility and general attractiveness. Businesses that choose to move to Sawyer would likely benefit from such close proximity to an Air Facility, however, other locations and strengths, already noted will still exist regardless of where the Airport is located."
Comm. Cihak noted for the record that he puts more stock in the report prepared for the Michigan Jobs Commission (MJC) than the Shaw Study.

Comm. Rapport noted the Shaw Study was also paid for by the Jobs Commission. We were connected with the Airport move, as Comm. Braamse indicted, by the AMR Agreement. Also we had the support of our legislators and felt we could not afford to run two airports at one time. Now we can go forward with the development of both the airport and KI Sawyer reuse. Comm. Rapport concurred with the Chair that this is a very positive move and we have a tremendous future ahead of us. We need to think positively and progressively.

Comm. Cihak questioned a $7,000 payment from the Lake Superior Jobs Coalition as additional compensation to keep Tom Rumora as the KI Sawyer Development Director. Comm. Cihak contended that County policy indicates that employees obtaining compensation for services or activities while on County time shall sign such compensation over to the Treasurer. County Policy also indicates that a County employee may accept outside employment provided the employment is not on County time and doesn’t interfere with on the job work. He requested that Civil Counsel review the matter.

Comm. Arsenault also noted County policy also provides that with Department Head approval, it is permissible for County Employees to receive outside compensation. Administrator Powers has approved of Tom Rumora accepting the additional pay from LSJC.

Chairperson Corkin contended that the County Board is very comfortable with Tom Rumora serving as the KI Sawyer Development Director and also comfortable with representatives of the Community supporting Tom Rumora.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

David J. Roberts
Marquette County Clerk
MARQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Regular Meeting, Tuesday, May 20, 1997 at 7:00 p.m.
Room 231, Henry A. Skewis 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:
9. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:
   b. Notice that the Marquette County Habitat for Humanity has Received a Grant of $11,550 through Habitat for Humanity International.
   c. Certification that Chairperson Corkin Attended Training in "The Jail as a Part of County Government" Conducted by the National Institute of Corrections.
10. ACTION ITEMS:
   a. Lead Agency for EDA Grant (Resolution Forthcoming).
   b. EDA Indemnification Agreement.
   c. Committee of the Whole Recommendation from April 8, 1997 to Approve of Premeau Enterprise’s Low Bid for the Renovation of Building No. 664 at KI Sawyer.
   d. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Approve an Agreement with American Eagle for the Marquette County Airport Remediation and Investigation Plan.
   e. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Approve Various Leases with AFBCA and MACASU, Inc.
   f. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Approve the Grant Agreement with the Michigan Bureau of Aeronautics for Engineering Design of Sawyer Projects.
   g. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Approve the Memorandum of Agreement with AFBCA for the Replacement of Specified Heating Systems at Sawyer.
   h. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Approve of the Air Service Grant Program Application to Promote Passenger Travel from the County Airport.
   i. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Present the Staff Summary regarding the Tilden Mining Company Permit Application at the MDEQ Hearing.
   j. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Adopt Two Resolutions, One for a Bonding Issue, and One for a Public Hearing, for the Pioneer Laboratories Project Plan.
   k. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Transfer a Local Match for the Nonmotorized Pathway to the Transportation Enhance Program Grant Application.
   l. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Submit the Court Financing Survey to the State Court Administrative Office in Lansing.
   m. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Adopt a Behavioral Health Care Services Resolution.
11. LATE ADDITIONS:
    a. Draft Responses to Questions from Strategic Planning
   b.
12. PUBLIC COMMENT. (time limit 20 minutes total)
13. COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS, STAFF COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.
14. ADJOURNMENT.