8b) Representatives of the Marquette County Habitat for Humanity, James Gochanour, and Waino Liuha, on behalf of the Board of Directors for the Marquette County Habitat for Humanity, presented a Certificate of Appreciation to the Marquette County Building Codes Department for their outstanding support of the Habitat for Humanity Building Projects this summer.

In the Summer of 1997 the Marquette County Habitat completed three homes, two of which were accelerated home building projects. Because of an extremely tight construction schedule, the building codes inspection team was asked to respond very quickly to requests for inspection. They came through every time, sometimes responding within hours of the call.

The Marquette County Habitat for Humanity would like to formally thank the entire staff of the Building Codes Department for their professionalism and their dedication. Thanks to their help, the work of building simple, decent homes with our neighbors in need has been made much easier.

Jim McDonald, representing the Marquette County Building Codes Department, was present to accept the Certificate of Appreciation.

Chairperson Corkin thanked Habitat for Humanity for their good work in Marquette County and commended the Marquette County Building Codes Department for their assistance.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

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

d. Domestic Violence Vigil to be Held Tuesday, October 21, 1997, 7:00 P.M., Michigan Room, NMU University Center.

f. Letter from John Evans, Acting Manager, Child Care Fund, FIA, regarding Marquette County's Annual Budget for Child Care Fund Expenditures.

g. Letter from Marietta C. Hunt-Proctor, Program Manager, Forest Management Division, DNR, regarding Off Road Vehicle Enforcement Grant Program Reimbursement.

h. Letter from Marietta C. Hunt-Proctor, Program Manager, Forest Management Division, DNR, regarding Snowmobile Enforcement Grant Program Reimbursement.

i. Letter of Appreciation from County Road Commission for Assistance for Coming Winter Maintenance at Sawyer.

j. Thank You from Judith I. Bailey, President, Northern Michigan University, for Participation in Her Installation Activities.

k. Thank You from the Marquette Area and Ishpeming-Negaunee Area Chambers of Commerce for Chairperson Corkin's Participation in the Salute to Cleveland-Cliffs.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS CONTINUED

The County Board considered Informational Items 9a, 9b, and 9c which were all letters regarding the mitigation associated with the Tilden Mine stockpile expansion. 9a was a letter from Don Ryan, District Manager of Public Affairs, Cliffs Mining Services, 9b, a letter from Lawrence Witte, Chief, Land and Water Management Division, MDEQ, and 9c, a letter from Ginny Pennala, Acting District Supervisor, Land and Water Management Division, MDEQ.

Comm. Rapport noted that all these letters made reference to the future suggesting that Marquette County be prepared with a list of future mitigation projects should it be necessary.

It was moved by Comm. Rapport, seconded by Comm. Cihak and unanimously carried by voice vote that the three letters be referred to the Marquette County Planning Commission for the development of a list of future mitigation projects.

9e) Comm. Cihak noted that the letter from John D. Ferry Jr., State Court Administrator, indicates the SCAO will provide all trial courts with free equipment and software for internet access, however, there are some local costs involved, that being the three telephone lines. Administrator Powers noted the three telephone lines will cost Marquette County $540 per year.

It was moved by Comm. Rapport, seconded by Comm. Cihak and unanimously carried by voice vote to place the communication on file.

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ACTION ITEMS

It was moved by Comm. Roberts, seconded by Comm. Seppanen and unanimously carried by voice vote that Action Items 10a, 10b, 10c, 10d, 10e, 10f, and 10g be approved as follows:

10a) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to approve a Resolution authorizing the refunding of the Marquette County Building Authority Bonds Series 1990-1, resolution as follows:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUNDING OF THE MARQUETTE COUNTY BUILDING AUTHORITY BUILDING AUTHORITY BONDS, SERIES 1990-1

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Act No. 31, Public Acts of Michigan, 1948, extra session, as amended, ("Act 31") the Marquette County Building Authority (the "Authority") and the County of Marquette (the "County"), have entered into a Contract of Lease (as listed in Appendix A) (the "Contract"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Contract, the Building Authority has issued a series of its bonds as listed in Appendix B (the "Bonds") to defray the cost of acquiring and constructing various projects for the County; and

WHEREAS, the Bonds remain outstanding in various aggregate principal amounts which mature in various principal amounts in various years and bear interest at various rates per annum which rates of interest are higher than those now prevailing; and

WHEREAS, Act 31 authorizes the Authority to refund all or any part of its indebtedness; and

WHEREAS, the County has determined that a significant cost savings can be achieved by refunding outstanding Bonds in whole or in part; and

WHEREAS, in order to provide for the Refunding Bonds and to comply with new federal securities regulations, it is necessary to amend the Lease Contract dated as of September 1, 1989 between the County and the Authority (the "Lease Contract") in order to provide the undertaking to provide continuing disclosure which Continuing Disclosure Certificate is attached as Appendix A to the Amendment to Lease Contract (the "Disclosure Certificate").

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF MARQUETTE as follows:

1. The Authority is authorized to proceed to refund any or all of the Bonds described in Appendix B in whole or in part, on such terms and conditions as will result in a lower total indebtedness on such issue.

2. The Amendment to Lease Contract attached hereto as Appendix 1 is hereby approved.

3. The County Officials set forth on the Amendment to Lease Contract are authorized to execute and deliver the Amendment to Lease Contract on behalf of the County.

4. After any refunding bonds are issued, the Authority shall report to the County on the new debt service schedule and the savings in total principal and interest.

5. The County Clerk, Treasurer, or Bond Counsel, or any of them, are authorized to execute any and all documents required for approval of any such refundings by the State of Michigan or any agency thereof.

6. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they may be in conflict herewith are hereby rescinded.

The resolution was declared adopted.

10b) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to approve the Cooperative Reimbursement Contract Agreement between the Family Independence Agency and Family Support and authorize the Chairperson to sign, and further, that at Contract Amendment for the additional $9,335 be submitted with the executed contract.

10c) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to approve the Title IV-D Cooperative Reimbursement Agreement between the Friend of the Court and the Family Independence Agency - Office of Child Support in Lansing, and authorize the Board Chairperson to sign the agreement, and further, submit an amendment for an additional $58,000 with the executed contract.
10d) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to approve Change Order No. 5 with Prameau Enterprises for Building 608 in the amount of $13,086 for the removal of asbestos containing material from certain exposed piping, the Change Order increases the total contract sum to $182,884.24.

10e) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to approve of Change Order No. 2 in the Contract with Pentecost Construction for the heat conversion of buildings in Group A1, to also include in Group A1 the heat conversion of building No. 431 for the amount of $37,017, thereby increasing the overall contract by 8%, total contract amount as amended $476,325.

10f) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to approve the Industrial Waste Pretreatment Program Development Bid Award to U.P. Engineering and Architects in the amount of $22,500, for the development and implementation of an industrial waste pretreatment program for KI Sawyer no later than August of 1998, funding to come from the Caretaker Budget.

10g) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to provide two letters of support for the SUNTRAC Project: First, a letter of support to the Michigan Jobs Commission for financial assistance to develop the infrastructure; and second, a letter of support to the Grant Application to the Michigan Recreational Trust Fund Board for the purchase of the property of the north shore of Teal Lake.

**ACTION ITEMS CONTINUED**

10h) The County Board considered a Committee of the Whole Recommendation to adopt a resolution similar to an Alger County Resolution supporting legislation to prohibit the use of studs on a snowmobile track that exceed 1/4 inch in length outward from the track, when snowmobiles are operated on or across any highway, road or street.

The County Board considered a letter from Steven Dupras, Executive Director of Marquette Country Trails, Inc., regarding the Racing Studs/Alger County Board Resolution. Mr. Dupras noted that the Michigan Department of Transportation is currently in the process of investigating the racing stud issue by conducting tests in downstate areas. Part of the test involves different road surfaces and the effects on the various surfaces. Other connected issues include: how long should the studs be? how much damage has been caused to any local roads? the cost benefit ratio to the local tourism industry? safety to the snowmobiler? (studs do provide additional traction), and injury caused by studs (Mr. Dupras is not aware of any). His recommendation is to wait until MDOT, local law enforcement, County Road Commission, and the Tourist Association have provided all the necessary information for consideration before requesting a ban.

It was moved by Comm. Seppanen, seconded by Comm. Bergdahl, and unanimously carried by voice vote that the resolution be tabled until more information is available.

**LATE ADDITIONS**

11a) Marquette County Prosecutor Gary Walker announced that Marquette County will be awarded a $249,000 grant under the Violence Against Women Act. This Domestic Violence Grant is being awarded to Marquette County for work done by Prosecutor Office Staff, most notably Matt Wiese, who has since moved on to a national position. The Grant will provide for two additional attorneys and one full-time secretarial staff support person and requires no local match. There may be some County costs for desks or chairs, etc.

The purpose of the grant is to target domestic violence as a model project and develop a protocol that will be transportable to other jurisdictions. Mr. Walker noted that it is a compliment to Marquette County that we have been selected for this grant and we are very pleased to have been chosen for this demonstration project. He will bring the Grant Agreement to the County Board for final approval in the near future.
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Comm. Rapport congratulated Prosecutor Walker and his Staff for their efforts by placing domestic violence on the forefront during the past ten years. Marquette County has created a system that responds quickly to domestic violence and the announcement of this grant seems especially timely in that October is Domestic Violence Month. Comm. Rapport urged citizens who feel unsafe from violence in their homes to seek help at Harbor House or the Prosecutor’s Office. No one, young or old, deserves to be beaten.

Prosecutor Walker noted that the Women’s Center is to be commended for their efforts in Domestic Violence and also the various police departments in Marquette County. Domestic Violence is a crime and the Marquette County Prosecutor’s Office wants to send a clear message, if you are committing domestic violence we will arrest you.

Chairperson Corkin commended and congratulated the Prosecutor’s Office on their outstanding work in the area of domestic violence on behalf of the citizens of Marquette County.

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

COMMISSION COMMENTS, STAFF COMMENTS, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairperson Corkin attended a recent meeting regarding the merger of Superior Behavioral Health with Delta County Community Mental Health. The merger is on schedule. The new name being recommended is Pathways. At next week’s Committee of the Whole meeting, a recommendation will be forthcoming to dissolve the present membership on the Superior Behavioral Health Board and then reappoint members to the new board beginning in January. The end result will be a stronger, more efficient mental health organization.

Comm. Rapport noted that Northern Initiatives has prepared a working draft for an Umbrella Economic Development Organization. It is in the development stages but an opportunity for input from the County Board will be forthcoming at the next Committee of the Whole meeting.

Chairperson Corkin noted that a list of Vacancies for Various County Boards and Commissions that was prepared by the County Clerk. Any citizen interested in serving on a County Board or Commission can contact the County Clerk’s Office for further information and an application at 228-1525.

Steve Powers, County Administrator, distributed a memo from Gerard T. Markey, Equalization Director, regarding the taxation of real and personal property at KI Sawyer Air Force Base. Mr. Powers’ intent is not to review the details of the memo at this meeting but rather distribute the information for Commissioners’ review. He noted however that the bottom line is: The housing developers at KI Sawyer are paying property taxes.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

David J. Roberts
Marquette County Clerk
MARQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Regular Meeting and Continuation of the Annual Meeting
Tuesday, October 21, 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.
3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
   REGULAR MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 7, 1997.
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. CONTINUATION OF THE ANNUAL MEETING
      Certification of Chocolay Township and Turin Township Millages
      (Materials Forthcoming at Meeting)
9. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:
   a. Letter from Don Ryan, District Manager Public Affairs, Cliffs Mining Services, regarding
      Mitigation Associated with the Tilden Mine Stockpile Expansion.
   b. Letter from Lawrence N. Witte, Chief, Land and Water Management Division, MDEQ,
      regarding Mitigation Associated with the Tilden Mine Stockpile Expansion.
   c. Letter from Ginny Pennala, Acting District Supervisor, Land and Water Management
      Division, MDEQ, regarding Mitigation Associated with the Tilden Mine Stockpile
      Expansion.
   d. Domestic Violence Vigil to be Held Tuesday, October 21, 1997, 7:00 P.M., Michigan
      Room, NMU University Center.
   e. Announcement from John D. Ferry, Jr., State Court Administrator, that the SCAO Will
      Provide All Trial Courts with Free Equipment and Software for Internet Access.
   f. Letter from John Evans, Acting Manager, Child Care Fund, FIA, regarding Marquette
      County’s Annual Budget for Child Care Fund Expenditures.
   g. Letter from Marietta C. Hunt-Proctor, Program Manager, Forest Management Division,
      DNR, regarding Off Road Vehicle Enforcement Grant Program Reimbursement.
   h. Letter from Marietta C. Hunt-Proctor, Program Manager, Forest Management Division,
      DNR, regarding Snowmobile Enforcement Grant Program Reimbursement.
   i. Letter of Appreciation from County Road Commission for Assistance for Coming Winter
      Maintenance at Sawyer.
   j. Thank You from Judith I. Bailey, President, Northern Michigan University, for
      Participation in Her Installation Activities.
   k. Thank You from the Marquette Area and Ishpeming-Negaunee Area Chambers of
      Commerce for Chairperson Corkin’s Participation in the Salute to Cleveland-Cliffs.
10. ACTION ITEMS:
   a. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Approve the Resolution Authorizing the Refunding of Marquette County Building Authority Bonds.
   b. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Approve the Cooperative Reimbursement Contract between the Family Independence Agency and Family Support.
   c. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Approve the Cooperative Reimbursement Agreement between the FIA - Office of Child Support and Friend of the Court.
   d. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Approve Change Order No. 5 with Premeau Enterprises for Building 608 at Sawyer.
   e. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Approve Change Order No. 2 in the Contract with Pentecost Construction to Include Building No. 431 in the Heat Conversion of Group A-1 Buildings.
   f. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Approve the Industrial Waste Pretreatment Program Development Bid Award to UP Engineering and Architects.
   g. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Send a Letter of Support for the SUNTRAC Project to the Michigan Jobs Commission and Another Letter of Support for Grant Application to Purchase the North Shore of Teal Lake to the Michigan Recreational Trust Fund Board.
   h. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Adopt a Resolution to Prohibit Racing Studs on Snowmobile Tracks in Use on All Michigan Roads and Streets.

11. LATE ADDITIONS:
   a. Domestic Violence Grant, Present

   b. 

12. PUBLIC COMMENT. (time limit 20 minutes total)
13. COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS, STAFF COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.
14. ADJOURNMENT.
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The Marquette County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session and also for the Continuation of the Annual Meeting on Tuesday, October 21, 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 October 7, 1997 Regular Board Meeting be approved.

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

It was moved by Comm. Rapport, seconded by Comm. Roberts and unanimously carried by voice vote that the agenda be approved with the following additions: Privileged Comment 8b) Habitat for Humanity Certificate of Appreciation to the Marquette County Building Codes Department, and Late Addition 11a) Announcement from Prosecutor Gary Walker of Receipt of a $249,000 Grant Under the Violence Against Women Act.

PRIVILEGED COMMENT

8a) Continuation of the Annual Meeting. Chairperson Corkin called the annual meeting to order. The County Board considered the adoption of the millage rates for Chocolay and Turin Townships which would complete the millage certification portion of the Annual Meeting. A memo from Gary Yoder, Finance Manager, noted that the millage for Chocolay and Turin Townships have been reviewed for compliance with the various statutes regarding millage adoption, truth-in-taxation, truth-in-assessment, and Headlee limitations. He recommends adoption of the millage rates after which the County Board can adjourn the Annual Meeting.

It was moved by Comm. Bergdahl, seconded by Comm. Arsenault and unanimously carried by voice vote that the County Board adopt the following millage rates for Chocolay and Turin Townships:

| Local Unit and | Prior Year | Current Year | Truth | Maximum |
| Purpose of Millage | "Headlee" | "Headlee" | In | No |
| Chocolay Township | | | | |
| General Operating – Charter | 5.0000 | 4.3102 | 0.9956 | 4.2912 | 4.3102 | 1.0000 | 0.9685 | 4.1744 | 4.2912 | 4.2912 |
| Extra voted – Library | 0.9635 | N/A | 0.9956 | 0.9620 | 1.0000 | 0.9685 | 0.8348 | 0.8597 | 0.8597 | 0.8597 |
| Turin Township | | | | |
| Fixed Millage – Operating | 1.4000 | 1.2249 | 1.0000 | 1.2249 | 1.1651 | 1.0000 | 0.9773 | 1.1387 | 1.2249 | 1.2249 |
| Tel – Township Fee | 1.0000 | 0.9968 | 1.0000 | 0.9968 | 0.9968 | 1.0000 | 0.9773 | 0.8764 | 0.8968 | 0.8968 |

Chairperson Corkin declared the 1997 Annual Meeting adjourned.