The County provides space in the jail for inmate telephone equipment. Ameritech will install, operate, and maintain no less than 13 inmate pay telephones. Ameritech will pay the County 36% of the total local and long distance gross revenues from calls made from inmate telephones plus a one time signing incentive of $23,700. Financial risks for bad debts or telephone scams will be the responsibility of Ameritech.

It was moved by Comm. Cihak, seconded by Comm. Roberts, and unanimously carried by voice vote, that the Committee of the Whole recommend the County Board approve of the Agreement with Ameritech for jail inmate phone services.

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The Committee considered an amended resolution for participating in the Federal Property Assistance Program.

Steve Powers, County Administrator, noted that the previous resolution designated former County Administrator Dennis Aloia. The new resolution designates Mr. Powers as the authorized coordinator responsible for accepting federal property with the authority to sign agreements.

It was moved by Comm. Seppanen, seconded by Comm. Rapport, and unanimously carried by voice vote, that the Committee of the Whole recommend the County Board adopt the Resolution for Participation in the Federal Property Assistance Program designating County Administrator Steve Powers as the person responsible for accepting federal service property on behalf of Marquette County.

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The Committee considered a preapproval and authorization for execution of AIP Grant documents for the first round of projects at KI Sawyer. The bids were to be opened on September 5, 1997 and evaluated. As long as acceptable bids are within the funds available, Marquette County will receive a grant offer from the FAA.

Hal Pawley, Airport Manager, was present and distributed more information noting that the bids were opened and received for the following projects: Replace approach lighting, Relocate runway lighting, and Replace airfield signage, and Security fencing. No bids were received at this time for Airfield pavement markings but that project can be rebid later. Bid certification should be completed in a few days and the Michigan Bureau of Aeronautics has completed the financial portion of the grant application using the unverified low bids received. Assuming no problems result in the verification/certification of the low bids, Marquette County can expect a grant offer of $1,026,000 from the FAA, $57,000 from the Michigan Bureau of Aeronautics, and $57,000 will be our local match.

Comm. Cihak noted that he will vote no on the proposal in line with his continuing opposition to moving the Airport. He contended that the majority of County citizens are opposed to moving the Airport, but have no problem with continued efforts to economically develop KI Sawyer.

It was moved by Comm. Roberts, seconded by Comm. Bergdahl, and carried by voice vote 9 Ayes to 1 Nay (Comm. Cihak), that the Committee of the Whole recommend the County Board provide advance approval of the Grant Offer and Acceptance Agreement, and authorization for execution of the acceptance parts by the Chairman and Attorney. Authorization conditional on the acceptable bids being within the available funds, and the Application and Grant Agreement not containing any unacceptable conditions or requirements.

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It was moved by Comm. Roberts, seconded by Comm. Rapport and unanimously carried by voice vote that the Committee accept and place on file an outline distributed by County Administrator Steve Powers updating Commissioners on the Economic Development Administrative Grant Projects I, II, and III.

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The Committee considered a roof replacement agreement for the roof repair project at the Marquette County Youth Home. The lowest bidder was $855 higher than the amount budgeted, however, Ted Haara, Youth Home Administrator, recommends that the roof repair project be approved and Seelen Construction be awarded the contract in the amount of $21,855. The additional $855 will come from surplus funds in other capital improvement projects.
Commissioners expressed concern about a two year warranty on the roof. They questioned whether or not it was merely a roof replacement or a redesign, perhaps the same ice builds up and leaks will occur in the future. Commissioners requested that additional information be provided at the Regular County Board Meeting regarding the Youth Home Roof Project roof design.

It was moved by Comm. Rapport, seconded by Comm. Arsenault, and unanimously carried by voice vote, that the Committee of the Whole recommend the County Board approve of the Roof Replacement Agreement with Seelen Construction in the amount of $21,855 with the additional $855 to come from surpluses in other CIP projects.

The Committee considered the Superior Extrusion, Inc. Prime Lease and Sublease relating to Building 661 at KI Sawyer. Comm. Arsenault, Chairperson of the KI Sawyer Economic Development Committee noted that the Superior Extrusion Prime Lease/Sublease was considered and approved at the KISEDUC meeting held last evening, Monday, September 8, 1997. Comm. Arsenault also requested that he be allowed to abstain from voting on the matter because of his past professional relationship with Superior Extrusion.

Harley Andrews, Civil Counsel, explained that the Prime Lease for this property between the Air Force and the County is essentially the same as all other Prime Leases which have been considered and approved. The Sublease is also essentially the same as other subleases which have been reviewed and approved with respect to the terms and conditions related to indemnification, insurance, environmental issues, maintenance of the property, and improvements to the property. The only distinctive issues relate to the amount of rent to be paid, the security deposit, and the terms of the purchase option. Civil Counsel Andrews recommended that the Prime Lease/Sublease for Superior Extrusion, Inc. be approved.

It was moved by Comm. Rapport, seconded by Comm. Tuominen, and carried by voice vote 9 Ayes to 0 Nays, with 1 Abstention (Comm. Arsenault), that the Committee of the Whole recommend the County Board approve of the Superior Extrusion, Inc. Prime Lease/Sublease for Building 661 and authorize the Board Chairperson to execute the appropriate documents.

The Committee considered a request and resolution presented by Commissioner Arsenault, Chairperson of the KI Sawyer Economic Development Committee. Commissioner Arsenault noted that there is an opportunity for the County to apply for a two year loan of $1 million at 1% interest which in turn can be parceled out in loans up to $150,000 to assist businesses locating at Sawyer. The funding must only be used for projects on the property at Sawyer.

It was moved by Comm. Arsenault, seconded by Comm. Roberts, and unanimously carried by voice vote, that the Committee of the Whole recommend the County Board recommend that the County of Marquette submit a signed application for a $1 million loan from the United States Department of Agriculture to establish an Intermediary Lending Program, to provide a source of subordinated financing for new and expanding businesses located or to be located at the former KI Sawyer Air Force Base, with the loan program to be administered by the KI Sawyer Development Department with a loan committee to be comprised of the KI Sawyer Development Department Accountant, and from two to four members of the KI Sawyer Economic Development Committee, members to be selected by that Committee.

The Committee considered a thank you letter presented by Chairperson Corkin for the outgoing MAC President, Louis "Sparky" Lauzon, Schoolcraft County Board Chairperson.

Chairperson Corkin recommended a letter be sent to the Manistique Pioneer Tribune publicly thanking Comm. Lauzon for his leadership during his past year as MAC President, and also noting that MAC held its first conference ever in the Upper Peninsula at the Superior Dome. This conference brought in an estimated $2 million in revenue to the Upper Peninsula.
It was moved by Comm. Tuominen, seconded by Comm. Joseph, and unanimously carried by voice vote, that the Committee of the Whole recommend the Marquette County Board of Commissioners send a thank you letter publicly recognizing Louis "Sparky" Lauzon, Chairperson, Schoolcraft County Board, and MAC outgoing President for his leadership and efforts to bring the first MAC Conference ever to the Upper Peninsula, and that the letter be sent to the Manistique Pioneer Tribune.

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

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS, STAFF COMMENTS, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairperson Corkin reported he attended a Michigan Association of Counties EDC/Labor Committee Meeting. It is a 15 member committee of which 14 are from Lower Michigan, however, he was elected Chairperson of the MAC EDC/Labor Committee. He is proud to serve and believes that his election of Chair reflects well on Marquette County and the County Board of Commissioners.

Chairperson Corkin reported that he attended a meeting in Escanaba regarding the proposed Mental Health merger between Superior Behavioral Health and the Delta County Community Mental Health. A lot of positive work has been done and the merger is well on its way to a goal of completion by January 1, 1998.

Comm. Arsenault, Chairperson, KISED, noted that the Sawyer Economic Development Committee has reviewed the KI Sawyer Caretaker Budget amounting to approximately $2 million. The Committee is satisfied and the budget will soon come to the County Board for its review and approval. He noted that the security line item amounts to $155,000 which will pay for a private firm to provide security at Sawyer. This security firm does not have arrest powers but the $155,000 only covers resource protection for the Air Force.

Chairperson Corkin noted that Sheriff Lovelace has met with the Administrator and has expressed interest in providing security at KI Sawyer. Perhaps combining the $155,000 Caretaker Funds along with the COPS grant would make it possible for the County Sheriff's Department to provide security and police protection.

It was moved by Comm. Seppanen, seconded by Comm. Tuominen and unanimously carried by voice vote that the Committee of the Whole request that Administrator Powers meet with Sheriff Lovelace, and KI Sawyer Development Department Staff to evaluate the security and police protection at KI Sawyer.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

David J. Roberts
Marquette County Clerk
MARQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1997, 6:00 P.M.
Room 231, Henry A. Skewis Annex, Marquette, MI 49855

1. ROLL CALL.
2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
FY 1998 BUDGET HEARINGS HELD ON AUGUST 25, 1997 AND THE
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 26, 1997.
3. PUBLIC COMMENT.
4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.
5. Review of Claims and Accounts.
6. Title IV-D Cooperative Agreement between Friend of the Court/Family
Independence Agency.
7. FY 1998 Emergency Management Annual Work Agreement between the State of
Michigan and Marquette County.
8. Agreement with Ameritech for Jail Inmate Phone Services.
10. Preapproval of AIP Grant for First Round Projects at Sawyer (State of
Michigan/FAA).
11. Update on EDA Grant from Administrator Steve Powers (no packet materials).
12. Youth Home Roof repair project.
13. Super Extension Sublease/Prime Lease
14. Thank you letter from Mayor Luzon
15. PUBLIC COMMENT.
16. ANNOUNCEMENTS.
17. ADJOURNMENT.
The Marquette County Board of Commissioners met as a Committee of the Whole on Tuesday, September 9, 1997 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 231 of the Henry A. Skewis Annex, Marquette, Michigan.


It was moved by Comm. Bergdahl, seconded by Comm. Roberts, and unanimously carried by voice vote that the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Budget Hearings held on August 25, 1997 and the Committee of the Whole meeting held on August 26, 1997 be approved.

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

It was moved by Comm. Tuominen, seconded by Comm. Joseph and unanimously carried by voice vote that the agenda be approved with the following late addition: Item 12) Youth Home Roof Repair Contract, Item 13) Superior Extrusion Sublease/Prime Lease, Item 14) Thank You Letter to Outgoing MAC President Louis "Sparky" Lauzon.

It was moved by Comm. Seppanen, seconded by Comm. Roberts and unanimously carried by voice vote that Claims and Accounts for the period August 22, 1997, through September 4, 1997 in the amount of $1,095,145.32 be approved.

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The Committee considered a Title IV-D Cooperative Agreement for Medical Support Enforcement between the Friend of the Court and the Family Independence Agency. The State Family Independence Agency will provide $21,367, however, the 1998 budget for the Medical Support Enforcement Program is $24,385. The difference of $2,988 is recommended to come from the Friend of the Court fund balance because mediation revenues have accumulated in this fund and exceed the present need for mediation services.

The Agreement provides that the Friend of the Court will continue to enforce medical support orders and seek modifications of child support orders to include medical support. The intent of the program is to make all efforts to ensure children have health insurance and to have private and employer insurance programs provide coverage rather than Medicaid.

It was moved by Comm. Rapport, seconded by Comm. Joseph, and unanimously carried by voice vote, that the Committee of the Whole recommend the County Board approve the Title IV-D Cooperative Agreement for Medical Support Enforcement.

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The Committee considered the FY 1998 Emergency Management Annual Work Agreement proposed for Marquette County. The agreement is an administrative tool designed to provide a summary of emergency management activities that Marquette County intends to carry out during the coming year to enhance overall emergency services and community safety. Lt. Mike Zorza, Emergency Program Manager, was present to answer questions. The Annual Emergency Management Work Agreement runs from October 1, 1997 through September 30, 1998.

It was moved by Comm. Tuominen, seconded by Comm. Rapport, and unanimously carried by voice vote, that the Committee of the Whole recommend the County Board approve of the FY 1998 Emergency Management Annual Work Agreement.

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The Committee considered an agreement with Ameritech for pay phone services for jail inmates. This is a three year agreement commencing on October 1, 1997 and terminating on September 30, 2000. Commissions on inmate pay phone services provided $28,470 in revenue to the General Fund in 1996, an estimated $35,000 in 1997, and $35,000 in 1998. There is no expense to the County for the pay phone service other than providing electricity.