
The Honorable Board of Supervisors of Marquette County met, pursuant to a call duly made at the Court House in the City of Marquette on Wednesday, the 14th day of December, A. D. 1936, at 8:00 o’clock p.m.

Van Riper.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Paul
to be present:

Allen, Bergeron, Bieglar, Cooper, Danielson, DeGroat, Ewing,
Chiardi, Gribble, Halmecoa, Jerstad, Labold, Larson, Mackey, Miller, Mongrain, Muck,
Musatoo, Nichols, Nightingale, Parsons, Perkins, Perring, Price, Richards, Rose, Solem,
Staike, Stenglein, St. Onge, Swanson, Tons, Tulilia, Weiland, Wm. J. Wiseman, Sol Wiseman,
Yelle and Van Riper—28.

Absent: Mardi—1.

Supervisor Richards moved the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting be dispensed with. Supported by Supervisor Jerstad and carried.

A communication from Matt L. Makié, County Drain Commissioner elected and incumbent, tendering his resignation to the Board, was read. On motion of Supervisor Perkins, supported by Supervisor Perring, the communication was referred to the Prosecuting Attorney.

A communication with attached claim from L. E. Garvin, Attorney for Mrs. Ellen Hietikko, who claimed reimbursement to the amount of $280.00 for the loss of two cows and three heifers, which cattle she claims were killed by grasshopper poison left on land by County Agent Walker, was read. The Chairman ordered the Clerk to check up on the action previously taken by the Board when a similar claim was received and acted on at the September meeting.

The following communication from Mr. K. I. Sawyer, Superintendent of the Marquette County Road Commission, was read. Supervisor Nicholas moved that the recommendation of Marquette County Road Commission be adopted subject to the scrutiny of the Prosecuting Attorney. Above motion supported by Supervisor Muck and carried by the following Yeas and Nays vote:


Nays: None.

Board of County Road Commissioners


Honorable Board of Supervisors,
Marquette County, Michigan.

Sirs:—Relative to disposition of money received on account of motor vehicle license taxes and gasoline taxes returnable to this County for the calendar year 1936, and in conformity to Public Acts of Michigan Numbers 7 and 8 of the Extra Session of 1934, your Board of County Road Commissioners recommend:

Pursuant to such acts, one half of each settlement on account of the above mentioned monies, is to be credited to the County Road Fund to be used for administration, maintenance, betterments, and construction of County Roads.

Further, pursuant to such acts, that the remainder, hereinafter called the second half of such monies, as returned to Marquette County, shall be applied as follows and in the following order of priority:

First priority of second half — The sum of $36,625.83 shall be credited to the Highway Bond Retirement Fund to pay principal, interest, and disbursing fees on the General County Highway Bonds for payments due therein, to and inclusive of the interest payments payable in April 1940, which interest payment comes due prior to anticipated receipts on monies from these sources for the year 1940.

Second priority of second half — The difference between the second half of such above mentioned monies and the amount of money to be credited to the Highway Bond Retirement Fund is then to be divided and applied as follows:

To be paid to Marquette City .............................................. 33.566% 
To be paid to Negaunee City ............................................. 14.865% 
To be paid to Ishpeming City ............................................ 20.989% 
To be credited to County Road Fund ..................................... 30.680% 
100.000%

The money credited to the County Road Fund to be used for administration, maintenance, improvements, and construction of County Roads in conformity to the statutes.
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The money to be paid to the cities to be used as provided in said Acts 7 and 6 of Extra Session of 1934.

Yours truly,
Board of County Road Commissioners,
By K. I. Sawyer, Capt.

The report of the Auditing Committee was read, and on motion of Supervisor Nightingale, supported by Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman, the report was adopted by the following Yeas and Nays vote:

Yea: Allen, Berghorn, Biagler, Cooper, Danielson, DeGroat, Ewing, Ghiardi, Gribble, Halmoja, Jernstad, Lebold, Larson, Mackey, Miller, Mongrain, Muck, Musatto, Nicholas, Nightingale, Parsons, Perkins, Perring, Price, Richards, Rose, Solen, Stakel, Stenglein, St. Onge, Swanson, Toms, Tuillila, Weiland, Wm. J. Wiseman, Sol Wiseman, Yelle and Van Riper--55.

Nays: None.

The report of the Justices of the Peace were read and on motion of Supervisor Mongrain, supported by Supervisor Cooper, were referred to the Prosecuting Attorney before being filed.

The report of the County Trespass Agent was tendered and ordered received and placed on file by the Chairman.

The report of the County Clerk showing expenditures for the first three months of the fiscal year as compared to the budget for the same three months, was read in part. The Chairman ordered the report incorporated in the minutes of the meeting. While practically all County units were within their budgets the relief expenditures overran the budget but the Chairman explained that expenditures were high at this season because of the clothing and fuel costs and that below-average expenditures during the summer usually permit balancing of the budget.

The monthly reports of Superintendents of the Poor, County Treasurer, Morgan Heights Sanatorium and Red Cross Nurse were read and ordered filed by the Chairman.

The bond of Marvin P. Piasbender, Coroner-elect, was submitted and on motion of Supervisor Gribble, supported by Supervisor Price, was referred to the Prosecuting Attorney.

Supervisor Perkins moved that bonds for all County officers be referred to the Prosecuting Attorney for approval before January 1, 1939 to enable incoming office holders to qualify properly. Supported by Supervisor Wiseman and carried.

Supervisor Mongrain brought up the question of painting the three rooms adjacent to the Supervisors' Room inasmuch as the Supervisors' Room had been redecorated and stated the cost would be approximately $105.00. Thereupon Supervisor Nicholas moved the request be granted and that the Buildings, Grounds and Insurance Committee take care of the matter. Supported by Supervisor Weiland and carried by the following Yeas and Nays vote:

Yea: Allen, Berghorn, Biagler, Cooper, Danielson, DeGroat, Ewing, Ghiardi, Gribble, Halmoja, Jernstad, Lebold, Larson, Mackey, Miller, Mongrain, Muck, Musatto, Nicholas, Nightingale, Parsons, Perkins, Perring, Price, Richards, Rose, Solen, Stakel, Stenglein, St. Onge, Swanson, Toms, Tuillila, Weiland, Wm. J. Wiseman, Sol Wiseman, Yelle and Van Riper--56.

Nays: None.

Supervisor Stakel addressed the Board and reminded them that the terms of office of G. R. Jackson, Poor Commissioner and Dr. W. S. Plocotte, member of the Board of Trustees of Morgan Heights Sanatorium, expired on December 31, 1938. Supervisor Mack moved Mr. G. R. Jackson be nominated to the office for another term. Supported by Supervisor Price and carried. Supervisor St. Onge moved Dr. W. S. Plocotte be nominated also for another term to succeed himself and this motion was supported by Supervisor Jernstad and carried. Above nominations to be laid on the table for one month before being voted on.

The question of the bond of the County Treasurer was brought up to the attention of the Board by Supervisor Stakel who suggested that the amount of the bond might be lowered after some study by a Committee for that express purpose and after much discussion by Supervisors Stakel, Perring, Perkins and the Deputy County Treasurer, Supervisor Perring moved that the amount of the County Treasurer's bond be referred to the Budget & Executive Committee and the Prosecuting Attorney, with power to act inasmuch as there was such a short time left to study the matter before the Treasurer took office for the new term. Supported by Supervisor Danielson and carried by the following Yeas and Nays vote:

Yea: Allen, Berghorn, Biagler, Cooper, Danielson, DeGroat, Ewing, Ghiardi, Gribble, Halmoja, Jernstad, Lebold, Larson, Mackey, Miller, Mongrain, Muck, Musatto, Nicholas, Nightingale, Parsons, Perkins, Perring, Price, Richards, Rose, Solen, Stakel, Stenglein, St. Onge, Swanson, Toms, Tuillila, Weiland, Wm. J. Wiseman, Sol Wiseman, Yelle and Van Riper--58.

Nays: None.
A resolution from the Huron County Board of Supervisors favoring the cooperation of the State in assisting the counties in the operation of the several departments now servicing Welfare in the State and that participation in the costs be on a 50-50 basis, was read. Supervisor Perkins moved the resolution be received and filed. Supported by Supervisor Price and carried.

A resolution from the Huron County Board of Supervisors advocating exemption from taxes on gasoline for farmers and owners and operators of marine engines on the Great Lakes at the time of purchasing instead of waiting for many months for rebate, was read. Supervisor Muck, supported by Supervisor Welland and carried, moved the resolution be received and placed on file.

Supervisor Stakel brought up the matter of the inventory of the Jail due to the fact there would be a change in office January 1st. Whereupon Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman moved the Chairman appoint someone to take inventory of the Jail and County offices. Supported by Supervisor Jerndstad and carried by the following Yea and Nay vote:

Yea: Allen, Bergeron, Bieglar, Cooper, Danielson, DeGroat, Ewing, Chiardi, Gribble, Halmoeja, Jerndstad, Labold, Larson, Mackey, Miller, Mongrain, Muck, Mussatto, Nicholas, Nightingale, Parsons, Perkins, Perring, Price, Richards, Rose, Solem, Stakel, Stengelein, St. Onge, Swanson, Toms, Tulilla, Welland, Wm. J. Wiseman, Sol Wiseman, Yelle and van Riper--38.

Nays: None.

Supervisor Bieglar addressed the Board and tendered his resignation as Supervisor from the third precinct of Marquette City and expressed his regret for the severance of connections with the Board and thanked them for the hearty cooperation he had received from them. The Chairman expressed the appreciation of himself and the whole Board for the services and cooperation rendered by Supervisor Bieglar and Supervisor Nicholas moved the Board give Supervisor Bieglar a rising vote of thanks and extended congratulations to the City of Marquette for having such a splendid man to be the Mayor of their City and also to Supervisor Bieglar for his accession to the position. Supported by Supervisor Muck and unanimously carried.

Supervisor Perkins moved the Chairman appoint a Committee of three members to work with the new Sheriff and Committee to be known as the Sheriff's Committee. Supported by Supervisor Jerndstad and carried. The Chairman then appointed Supervisor Wiseman chairman of the Sheriff's Committee and also Supervisors Nightingale and Jernstad to work with Supervisor Wiseman.

Sheriff-elect Howard S. Treado was called upon by the Chairman for a few words and Mr. Treado explained details of the Sheriff's school at Lansing from which he had just returned. He also commented on the enlarged responsibilities of the Sheriff's department insofar as licensing of auto drivers and chauffeurs and inspection of taverns, etc., was concerned and he expressed the belief such a volume of work would perhaps necessitate an enlarged personnel. He also stated it was his object to cooperate 100% with the Board at all times.

There being no further business, upon motion of Supervisor Perring, supported by Supervisor Mackey, and carried, the Board adjourned until Wednesday, January 18th, A. D. 1939, at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

Chairman.


Clerk.

The Honorable Board of Supervisors of Marquette County met, pursuant to a call duly made at the Court House in the City of Marquette, on Wednesday, the 10th day of January, A.D. 1939, at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

The meeting was called to order by the Clerk in the absence of the Chairman, Dr. Paul Van Riper and stated the first order of business was the selection of a chairman pro-tem.

Supervisor Stakel moved that Supervisor Stengelein be appointed Chairman pro-tem. Supported by Supervisor Muck and unanimously carried.

The roll being called the following Supervisors were found to be present:

Allen, Bergeron, Cooper, Danielson, DeGroat, Ewing, Chiardi, Gribble, Halmoeja, Jerndstad, Labold, Larson, Lindstrom, Mackey, Miller, Mongrain, Muck, Mussatto, Nightingale, Parsons, Perring, Price, Richards, Rose, Solem, Stakel, Stengelein, St. Onge, Swanson, Toms, Tulilla, Welland, Wm. J. Wiseman, Sol Wiseman and Yelle--38.

Absent: Nicholas, Perkins and Van Riper--3.
Upon motion of Supervisor Richards, supported by Supervisor Danielson, the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with.

Mr. Lincoln J. Lindstrom, supervisor from the third ward, who was appointed to fill the vacancy created by Mr. Biegel's resignation, was presented to the Board by the Chairman and was placed on the same committee positions Mr. Biegel formerly held.

A telegram from C. F. Mascotti, member of the Executive Committee of the State Supervisors Association, requesting the Board to send representatives to the State Convention, was read. Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman moved that the telegram be filed. Supported by Supervisor Mongrain and carried.

A petition signed by nine residents and taxpayers of T. 46-29, Republic Township, requesting improvement on a secondary road now impassable for winter traffic, was read. Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman moved it be referred to the Highways and Bridges Committee and the Marquette County Road Commission. Supported by Supervisor Price and carried.

A petition signed by two signers of T. 45-30, requesting the construction of a road into their farm to make it possible to have access to M-95, was read. On motion of Supervisor Jensenad, supported by Supervisor Swanson, the petition was referred to the Highways and Bridges Committee and the Marquette County Road Commission.

A petition signed by thirteen signers of Republic Township, requesting the County to keep open about 1000 ft. of road into the Matt Clason farm, was read. On motion of Supervisor Cooper, supported by Supervisor Swanson, the petition was referred to the Highways and Bridges Committee and the Marquette County Road Commission.

A communication from Minnie Janoski of Republic, requesting snow removal on one half mile of road into her farm, was read. Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman moved it be referred to the Highways and Bridges Committee and the Marquette County Road Commission. Supported by Supervisor Jensenad and carried.

The following resolution was presented by the Prosecuting Attorney and Supervisor Welland moved it be adopted. Supported by Supervisor Mongrain and unanimously carried.

WHEREAS, Matt Maki has tendered his written resignation as Drain Commissioner, and January 1, 1939. WHEREAS, he has failed to qualify for the term commencing Matt Maki is hereby accepted, and said office of County Drain Commissioner is hereby declared to be vacant."

The Clerk addressed the Board and spoke of the resignation of Mr. James R. Fitzharris as Circuit Court Commissioner, which resignation was addressed to the Clerk in a personal letter.

The Chairman instructed the Clerk to write Mr. Fitzharris and ask him to present a written resignation addressed to the Board of Supervisors so that they could properly act upon it.

The report of the Auditing Committee was read, and on motion of Supervisor Nightingale, supported by Supervisor Muck, was adopted by the following Yea and Nay vote:

Yea: Allen, Bergeron, Cooper, Danielson, DesGroat,
Ewing, Ghiardi, Gibble, Halmoeja, Jensenad, Labold, Larson, Lindstrom, Mackey, Miller, Mongrain, Muck, Mussatto, Nightingale, Parsons, Perrine, Price, Richards, Rose, Solem, Stakel, Stencilin, St. Ange, Swanson, Toms, Tuillila, Welland, Wm. J. Wiseman, Sol
Wiseman and Yelle-35.

Nays: None.

The audit of the Register of Deeds office from September 1st to December 31st, 1938 and the inventory of the Jail was presented. On motion of Supervisor Nightingale, supported by Supervisor Price, the reports were referred to the Auditing Committee.

Supervisor Stakel gave an oral report of a portion of the Budget & Executive Committee's report which referred to bond for County officers. He said that the Committee believed that only the County Treasurer should furnish a corporate surety bond and the other office holders furnish bonds with personal sureties and that the payment of all bonds presented should be referred to the Auditing Committee.

Supervisor Nightingale said the Auditing Committee rejected all bills presented by County officers for corporate surety bonds with the exception of the County Treasurer and that the Clerk was instructed to so notify the County officers.

At this point Supervisor Swanson moved that all bills for bonding of County officers be paid inasmuch as the officers were not notified in time of the action taken. Above motion failed of support.

The reports of the County Justices of the Peace were read and ordered placed on file. Supervisor Muck addressed the Board and brought up the question of attendance of the Deputy Co. Treasurer at the County Treasurers Convention in Lansing sometime in February and said such attendance would be beneficial to the
County. Frank Denny, the Deputy Treasurer, spoke before the Board and said he would like to attend the convention if the Board saw fit to allow him. Supervisor Muck then moved that the Deputy Treasurer be granted the request to attend the convention. Supported by Supervisor Jernstad and carried.

Supervisor Muck also moved that the resolution formerly passed by the Board, allowing only railroad transportation to County officers for attendance at State Conventions in Lower Michigan, be rescinded. Supported by Supervisor Swanson and carried.

Supervisor Perrin then moved that the Deputy County Treasurer be allowed expenses on his trip to the Convention. Supported by Supervisor St. Onge and carried by the following Yeas and Nays vote:

Yeas: Allen, Bergeron, Cooper, Danielson, DeGroat, Ewing, Chiardi, Griibble, Halmeoja, Jernstad, Labold, Larson, Lindstrom, Mackey, Miller, Mon- grain, Muck, Mussatto, Nightingale, Parsons, Perrin, Price, Richards, Rose, Solem, Stakel, Stenglein, St. Onge, Swanson, Tom, Tulilla, Weiland, Wm. J. Wiseman, Sol Wiseman and Yelles—35.

Nays: None

The report of the County Trespass Agent was presented, read in part and ordered filed by the Chairman.

The following monthly reports of County Treasurer, Morgan Heights Sanitorium, Jail Physician, and Red Cross Nurse, were read, and ordered filed by the Chairman.

A resolution from Alger County Board of Supervisors urging the State Legislature to take the necessary steps to relieve Alger County and similar counties from bankruptcy, was read. Supervisor Griibble, supported by Supervisor Price, moved the resolution be referred to the Legislature Committee.

A resolution from the Menominee County Board of Supervisors was read urging steps be taken by the State Legislature and the Department of Conservation in the following conditions:

1. That the deer law be amended to allow a party of four to kill one deer of either sex for camp use.
2. That the partridge season be closed for 1939.
3. That bear be classified as predatory animal.
4. That the non-resident hunting license be $50.00.

Supervisor Mongrain moved the above be referred to the Conservation Committee. Supported by Supervisor Cooper and carried.

A resolution from the Ogemaw County Board of Supervisors was read. Above resolution urged a state-wide water code to eliminate the present controversy between large industrial organizations and property owners. Other items mentioned were deer license tags, deer herd management, extension of the partridge season to at least fifteen days and a $1.00 all purpose fishing license fee. Supervisor Mongrain moved above resolution be referred to the Conservation Committee. Supported by Supervisor Griibble and carried.

The nominations of Mr. J. R. Jackson and Dr. W. S. Flocotte, laid on the table from the previous meeting, were brought to the attention of the Board. Supervisor Muck moved that Mr. G. R. Jackson be elected to succeed himself as Poor Commissioner for the next term of three years. Supported by Supervisor Price and unanimously carried. Supervisor Perrin moved that Mr. W. Flocotte be elected as Trustee of Morgan Heights Sanitorium to succeed himself for the ensuing term, supported by Supervisor Rose and unanimously carried.

Mr. J. Avery Peterson, the County Welfare Agent, addressed the Board and cited the growing problem of feeble-minded children. He stated it was impossible to make placements in State institutions because of overcrowded conditions and the only alternative would be to place the children in private institutions if arrangements could be made with these institutions, but that the cost of such procedure would have to be borne by the County. Supervisor Muck moved the above matter be referred to the Budget and Executive Committee. Supported by Supervisor Danielson and carried.

Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman addressed the Board and stated that as Chairman of the Sheriff’s Committee he and the Committee conferred with the Sheriff and moved that the question of purchase of new equipment for the Jail; as, kitchen utensils, dishes, etc., be referred to the Sheriff’s Committee with power to act. Supervisor Jernstad supported the above motion and it was carried by the following Yeas and Nays vote:


Nays: None
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Sheriff Teade spoke before the Board and brought up the question of guns for the Department, stating there were no guns available. Supervisor Conners moved that any extra equipment necessary for the ex quisite handling of the office be included in the roll call vote on household supplies just recorded. Supported by Supervisor Allen and unanimously carried.

There being no further business, upon motion of Supervisor Ferring, supported by Supervisor Price, the Board adjourned until Wednesday, February 15th, A.D. 1939, at 2:00 o’clock p.m.

Lloyd W., Clerk.

John L. Stenglein, Chairman Pro tem.


The Honorable Board of Supervisors of Marquette County met, pursuant to a call duly made at the Court House in the City of Marquette, on Wednesday, the 15th day of February, A. D. 1939, at 2:00 o’clock p.m.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Paul Van Riper.

The roll being called the following Supervisors were found to be present:


Absent: Jornstad, Mongrain, Mardi, Nicholas, Perkins and Ferring--8.

Supervisor Richards moved the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting be dispensed with. Supported by Supervisor Price and carried.

A communication from C. F. Mascetti, Chairman of the Coordinating Commission of the Upper Peninsula Supervisors, requesting that Marquette County send two members and the Chairman of the Board to a meeting at Houghton, Mich., Friday morning February 24th, for the purpose of discussion of matters of vital interest to the development of the Upper Peninsula, was read. Supervisor Gribble moved that the Chairman appoint two members to attend the meeting with the Chairman and that the County pay the incidental expenses involved. Supported by Supervisor Stenglein and carried by the following aye and nay vote:


Nay: None.

A petition from T. Clyde Sleeman of National Mine, requesting improvement to road P. E. E. in order that he could carry on his dairy business, was read. On motion of Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman, supported by Supervisor Gribble, the petition was referred to the Highways & Bridges Committee and the Marquette County Road Commission.

A petition from George D. Johnson of Republic Township, requesting snow plowing of his road for about 300 yards, was read. Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman moved it be referred to the Highways & Bridges Committee and the Marquette County Road Commission. Supported by Supervisor Price and carried.

A communication from James R. Fitzharris, submitting his resignation as Circuit Court Commissioner, was read. Supervisor Nightingale moved the resignation be accepted and the communication be placed on file. Supported by Supervisor Richards and carried.

A petition from Harry Nydahl of Marquette, Michigan, requesting the Board to aid him in placing his daughter in the proper institution for care, was read. Supervisor Stenglein moved the petition be referred to the Budget and Executive Committee and the Prosecuting Attorney. Supported by Supervisor Price and carried.

A communication from John D. Voeller, Prosecuting Attorney, in reference to the claim of Mrs. Ellen Heitikko for cattle poisoned by grasshopper poison allegedly left on her land by the County Agricultural Agent, wherein Mr. Voeller cited the proper procedure for disposition of the claim, was read. On motion of Supervisor Stenglein,
supported by Supervisor Welland, the communication was referred to the Budget and Executive Committee and the Prosecuting Attorney.

A joint communication from the Marquette Chamber of Commerce and the Ishpeming Industrial Association, requesting the Board to appropriate in the neighborhood of $250.00 for materials, etc., to be used for instruction of men from W.P.A. rolls for tourist guide service under the leadership of Mr. Dexter A. MacGowan of the Works Progress Administration, was read. Supervisor Stenglein moved the communication be referred to the Budget and Executive Committee. Supported by Supervisor Labold and carried.

A letter from T. A. Downey, District Manager of the Michigan State Employment Service, thanking the Board for their splendid cooperation in the past and hoping for continued cooperation for the next twelve months, was read. The Chairman ordered the communication received and placed on file.

At this juncture the Chairman appointed Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman and Supervisor Stenglein to accompany him to the Road Conference to be held February 24th at Houghton, Michigan.

The report of the Auditing Committee was read, and on motion of Supervisor Nightingale, supported by Supervisor Danielson, was adopted by the following Yeas and Nays vote:

Yea: Allen, Bergeron, Cooper, Danielson, DeGroat, Ewing, Chiardi, Gribble, Halmeoje, Labold, Larson, Lindstrom, Mackey, Miller, Much, Mussatto, Nightingale, Parsons, Price, Richards, Rose, Solom, Stakel, Stenglein, St. Onge, Wm. J. Wiseman, Sol Wiseman, Yele and Van Riper--32.

Nays: None.

The following report of the Auditing Committee was read and on motion of Supervisor Nightingale, supported by Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman and carried, was adopted.

Honorable Board of Supervisors of Marquette County, Marquette, Michigan.

Gentlemen: Your Auditing Committee directs attention to the present method of making purchases by County Employees. The County Clerk is the Purchasing Agent and while some Departments abide by the rule of presenting their requisitions to the County Clerk others do not.

Your Committee makes the following recommendations:

1. That the County Clerk be instructed to write all heads of Departments instructing them and their assistants to make requisitions on him for all articles purchased by the County.
2. That the County Clerk notify all firms from whom purchases are made to put the County Order Number on their invoices.
3. That the Auditing Committee be given power to reject all invoices presented which do not show such an order number.
4. That the County Clerk's authority to issue purchasing orders be confined to sums not exceeding $25.00. Further authority in case of emergency to be obtained from the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, otherwise the authority to exceed this sum to require the approval of the Board of Supervisors.

Respectfully submitted,
Auditing Committee,
H. S. Nightingale,
Chairman.
Paul Van Riper,
Thomas Gribble,
Lawrence G. Ewing,
Gust Danielson,
W. J. Wiseman.

The following report of the Auditing Committee was read. Supervisor Nightingale moved for its adoption. Supported by Supervisor Price and unanimously carried.

Honorable Board of Supervisors of Marquette County, Marquette, Michigan.

Gentlemen: Your Auditing Committee to whom was referred Morrison Audit Company's Register of Deeds Audit and County Jail Inventory beg leave to report they have given these two reports careful consideration and comment as follows:


We find the Register of Deeds in making settlement with the County Treasurer of fees collected made an over payment of $3.00. We have notified the County Treasurer to return this amount to the former Register of Deeds, Mr. Axel E. Semache. We also find there is due the County for recording fees charged by various
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individuals the sum of $104.70. We have asked the Register of Deeds to make these collections at once.

2. County Jail Inventory.

We have checked over this inventory very carefully and find while the report shows several articles short there are none of these items of such value as would warrant making deduction from monies due the sheriff. The articles in question being mostly cooking utensils, bedding, toweling, etc., which were worn out by constant use or destroyed.

Respectfully submitted,
Auditing Committee,
H. S. Nightingale, Chairman.
W. J. Wiseman, Gust Danielson, Thomas Gribble, Lawrence C. Ewing, Paul Van Riper.

The monthly reports of Superintendents of the Poor, County Treasurer, Morgan Heights Sanatorium, Jail Physician and Red Cross Nurse were read and ordered filed by the Chairman.

The reports of fines collected by the Justices of the Peace were read and ordered filed by the Chairman.

A resolution from the Cass County Board of Supervisors recommending that some legal machinery be set up whereby persons who have not obtained a legal settlement within this State can be returned to the State of their legal settlement by a Court Order, was read. Supervisor Stakel stressed the importance of the resolution and moved it be referred to the Budget and Executive Committee and the Prosecuting Attorney for study. Supported by Supervisor St. Cage and carried.

A resolution from the Baraga County Board of Supervisors recommending opposition to the passage of any bill by which it is sought to change the method of allocation of relief monies or the local administration of relief, was read. Supervisor Stakel moved it be referred to the Budget and Executive Committee for study. Supported by Supervisor Danielson and carried.

A resolution from the Lapeer County Board of Supervisors, requesting their State Legislators to do all in their power to obtain an appropriation for the support of County normals for the school years of 1939-41, was read. Supervisor Wiseman moved the resolution be referred to the School Commissioner and the Educational Committee. Supported by Supervisor Price and carried.

A resolution from the Chippewa County Board of Supervisors opposing Section 3 of Act 155 of Public Acts of 1937, so that all land taken off the tax roll by the 1939 and previous tax sales, would be handled by the State Land Board in order to put this land back on the Tax Roll as a revenue producing unit, was read. Supervisor Gribble, supported by Supervisor Price, moved the resolution be received and placed on file.

A resolution from the Chippewa County Board of Supervisors requesting favorable action by their Congressman in interceding with the Interstate Commerce Commission to relieve the situation now confronting the farmers of Chippewa County in that they are unable to market their hay crop because of excessive freight rates, was read. Supervisor Stakel, supported by Supervisor Weiland, moved the resolution be received and placed on file.

Supervisor Stakel moved that S. R. Elliott be placed in nomination to succeed himself as County Road Commissioner for the next three years, inasmuch as his term expires April 30, 1939. Supported by Supervisor MacK and carried.

The following report by Supervisor Stakel, Chairman of the Finance and Taxation Committee apprising the Board of the present County financial position was read by Supervisor Stakel.

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors,
Marquette County, Michigan.

Gentlemen:—The chairman of the Finance Committee wishes to call the Board's attention to the fact that the general fund expenditures made so far for the present county fiscal year are exceeding the budget. On October 10, 1938, the county board adopted a budget which included a general fund expenditure of $25,000 monthly. The actual expenditures approved of by the Board for the five months period beginning September 1938 actually averaged $25243 per month. An itemized statement, a copy of which accompanies this report, shows that the expenditures for the general county government, with the exception of the extraordinary item of $1,631.88 for the Juvenile Detention Home, exceeds the budget by only $170, which is a very good record for the first four months of the present county fiscal year. The Welfare and Relief funds, however, have been overdrawn by the amount of
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$18,589.92 for the five month period. The Poor fund is over by the amount of $4530.96. The ERA contribution exceeds the budget by $3422.46, and the Neglected Children's fund is over $1843.04. The State Institutions' and Public Charges' Fund exceeds the budget by $3861.52.

Because of the fact that the general fund of the county shows a debit balance of $187,92 as of January 15, 1939, it makes it necessary for the county to economize, particularly in the Welfare and Relief expenditures, in order to prevent the county fund, after the 1939 taxes are credited to it, from being entirely depleted by October 1, 1939.

The administrator of the county ERA has already sensed the situation, and beginning with February 1 the Budget and Executive committee has agreed with the administrator that the county can no longer contribute money on the 60-40 basis. It is contemplated that beginning February 1 the county assumes only approximately one-third of all the ERA expenditures. If we had been able to make contributions on that basis beginning September 1938, we would have made the savings or would have cut down the deficit by approximately $300 per month in the ERA expenditures. Further, because the county was assuming 40% of all the ERA expenditures, which includes general relief, the ADC cases, the AB cases, and 40% of all the administrative costs, it didn't matter that the administrative costs were allocated under the three subdivisions just mentioned. However, the administrative costs, which run around $1800 per month, were allocated by the general relief, ADC, and the AB cases, then the county could reduce the contribution to the ERA by another $300 per month. If the ERA expenditures for the next seven months average as high as the past five months, under the new plan of allocating expenditures on the 2/3-1/3 basis, the county under the present fiscal year would reduce its ERA contribution by approximately $12000. If some plan could be devised for reducing the expenditures made by the Poor Commission, the County Welfare Agency, and the Judge of Probate, we might save enough money to keep the county solvent up until the time the 1939 taxes come in. With this thought in mind the Budget and Executive Committee would plan to have the heads of all the various relief agencies meet with the committee the latter part of this month in order to put the problem squarely before each department. Some of these departments have cooperated with the county board 100%, but other departments unfortunately have not, and it would be the aim of the committee to bring every department in line with the economy program.

The Budget and Executive Committee, after considering the question raised by the County Welfare Agent with reference to the feeble-minded wards of the Probate Court that would have to be sent to an accredited private institution because the state institutions are filled to capacity, recommend that in view of the fact that the demands of all of our welfare funds are exceeding the budget and because this extra expense, which at the outset would amount to $300 per month, might be increased in the near future, that the deficit for all welfare and relief departments be calculated as closely as possible for the balance of the fiscal year. Furthermore, in view of the large deficits, your Budget and Executive Committee believe that we cannot take on other relief and welfare expenditures which would increase an already large deficit. The chairman of the Finance Committee further pointed out that because of the extraordinary expenses made by the board of supervisors within the past year, for instance the transferring of $4183.42 to the Road Commission for the purchase of much needed equipment, and because of the extraordinary expenses assumed by the building of the new Juvenile Detention Home, the county is not able to keep enough funds intact for a long enough period of time to receive interest on certificates of deposit. These certificates run for a minimum of six months.

With reference to the resolutions from other county boards regarding the distribution of the proposed $15,000,000 by the state to the various counties for relief on a population basis, Marquette County for the last state fiscal year running from July 1, 1937 to June 30, 1938, would have received $125,000 as a contribution to the ERA. For the information of the board we wish to point out that Marquette County only received $65,598.29. With the county putting out $56320 it is evident that if the relief money were distributed on the population basis we would have received twice as much as we actually did receive from the state. If, however, the $15,000,000 is distributed on the 60-40-20 basis, which means 40% or $6,000,000 to be allocated on the population basis, another 40% or $6,000,000 to be distributed on an average three year case load basis with the last 20% going into an equalization fund to be distributed somewhat as the equalization fund under the Thatcher-Saur act for the three districts, then Marquette County would receive $600,248.80, based on the data for July 1, 1937 to June 30, 1938, which is approximately $48650 in excess of the actual state grant received. It should be clear to the board that Marquette County would get more relief money on a population basis, but further, it should also be clear to the board that it is not a fair method for distributing relief funds, because it does not take into account the resources of the county, it does not take into account the case load nor the needs of the county. It might also be pointed out that there are only three counties in northern Michigan that have apparently played ball with the state ERA, those counties being Chippewa, Menominee, and Marquette.

Respectfully submitted,
Chas. J. Stabel,
Chairman, Finance Committee.
## MARQUETTE COUNTY BUDGET AND ACTUAL EXPENDITURES FOR THE FIRST FOUR MONTHS OF THE 1938-39 CURRENT FISCAL YEAR.

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### General Fund, Grand Total:

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MARQUETTE COUNTY WELFARE AND RELIEF EXPENDITURES FOR PERIOD SEPT. 1st, 1938 to FEB. 7th, 1939.

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The Chairman thanked Supervisor Stokel on behalf of the Board for his splendid detailed report of financial conditions of the County.

There being no further business, on motion of Supervisor Richards, supported by Supervisor Allen, the Board adjourned until Wednesday, March 22nd, A.D. 1939, at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

Chairman.

Clerk.


The Honorable Board of Supervisors of Marquette County met, pursuant to a call duly made at the Court House in the City of Marquette, on Wednesday, the 22nd day of March, A. D. 1939, at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Paul Van Riper.

The roll being called the following Supervisors were found to be present:

Yeas: Allen, Bergeron, Cooper, Danielson, DeGroot, Ewing, Chiardi, Gribble, Halmeoa, Jernsted, Labold, Larson, Lindstrom, Mackey, Miller,

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Montgrain, Muck, Mussatto, Nardi, Nicholas, Nightingale, Parsons, Perkins, Perring, Price; Richards, Rose, Solen, Stakel, Stenglein, St. Onge, Swanson, Toms, Tullila, Weiland, Wm. J. Wiseman, Sol Wiseman, Yelle and VanRiper.

Absent: None.

Supervisor Richards moved the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting be dispensed with. Supported by Supervisor Jernstad and carried.

A communication from Gust Hill, Jr. and Richard Knitvila of National Mine, requesting some three to four hundred feet of private road to their homes being added to the list of County Highways for maintenance and snow removal, was read. Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman moved the petition be referred to the Highways & Bridges Committee and the Marquette County Road Commission. Supported by Supervisor Muck and carried.

A communication from Lloyd Roach and Frank Tromby, requesting maintenance on M-35 north of U.S.-41 through Negaunee and Ishpeming Townships and for completion of road J9 from Van Idertstein's Crossing to M-35, to enable them and other jobbers to transport forest products, was read. On motion of Supervisor Jernstad, supported by Supervisor Price and carried, the petition was referred to the Highways & Bridges Committee and the Marquette County Road Commission.

After the above action Mr. Frank Tromby addressed the Board and asked for immediate action on the above request, after stating his position in the matter.

A communication from Donald McCormick, Chairman of the Training School Committee of the Upper Peninsula Law Enforcement Association, urging representation of the County at said School to be held April 3rd to 8th inclusive, was read. Supervisor Nicholas moved the communication be filed. Supported by Supervisor Price and carried.

A communication from F. S. Crawford, District Engineer of the Safety Division of the U. S. Bureau of Mines, requesting the attendance of the Mine Inspector at a Safety Conference to be held in Duluth, Minnesota June 22nd and 23rd, 1939, was read. Supervisor Nardi moved the communication be filed. Supported by Supervisor Nicholas and carried.

Application for re-appointment of Dr. Charles N. Bottum as County Physician for the next year was read. Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman moved it be laid on the table for thirty days. Supported by Supervisor Bergeron and carried.

Application for re-appointment of Dr. G. LeGolvan for County Jail Physician, was read. Supervisor Montgrain moved that this application also be laid on the table for thirty days. Supported by Supervisor Price and carried.

The report of the Auditing Committee was read and some discussion was had relative to the bill of Mark Roberts, Health Officer of Wells Township, for mileage pertaining to the cage of a dog alleged to have rabies. Whereupon Supervisor Nightingale moved the bill be stricken from the list of bills to be paid. Supported by Supervisor Richards and carried.

Muck discussion was also had relative to the board of neglected children and the Chairman said the Prosecuting Attorney was notified to look up the legal aspects of the matter.

A roll call vote was then ordered by the Chairman on the Auditing report as presented and report was adopted by the following Yes and Nay vote:

Yeas: Allen, Bergeron, Cooper, Danielson, DeCroat, Ewing, Ghiardi, Gribble, Halmoeja, Jernstad, Labold, Larson, Lindstrom, Mackey, Miller, Montgrain, Muck, Mussatto, Nardi, Nicholas, Nightingale, Parsons, Perkins, Price, Richards, Rose, Solen, St. Onge, Swanson, Toms, Weiland, Wm. J. Wiseman, Sol Wiseman, Yelle and VanRiper--16.

Nays: Perring, Stakel and Stenglein--3.

Not Voting: Tullila--1.

The following report of the Highways & Bridges Committee and the Marquette County Road Commission, was read. On motion of Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman, supported by Supervisor Jernstad and carried, the report was adopted.

Ishpeming, Mich., March 20, 1939.

Honorable Board of Supervisors,
Marquette County, Michigan.

Gentlemen:

In the matter of communications and petitions referred to the Board of County Road Commissioners and the Committee on County Roads and Bridges. Your Committee on County Roads and Bridges and the Board of County Road Commissioners met on March 20th, 1939 and considered the following:

In the matter of communication from Willist and Mary Harris, Matt Olson, and George D. Johnson, all of Republic:

These are all for taking over private roads between public roads and the

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We recommend that all of these requests be denied. In the matter of three communications and petitions from Matt Mackey and others, from Minnie Janofski, and T. Clyde Sleeper.

These all pertain to County Roads which have a certain status with the Road Commission as to development and we recommend that these be left with the County Road Commission to be taken care of if and when they find it possible.

We recommend concurrence in the above suggestions.

Yours respectfully,

BOARD OF COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONERS,
By E. J. Sawyer, Supt.
COMMITTEE ON COUNTY ROADS AND BRIDGES,
By W. J. Wiseman, Chairman.
James A. Jermstad,
E. G. Muck,
Allan Swanson,
E. J. Nicholas,
K. B. Richards.

The following report of the Conservation Committee was read. Supervisor Nardi moved the report be adopted. Supported by Supervisor Allen and carried.

Honorable Board of Supervisors,
Marquette County, Michigan.
Gentlemen:— Your Committee on Conservation met in session on Friday, January 27, 1939 at 1:30 o'clock p.m. for the purpose of discussing matters referred to this Committee at the January meeting of your Board.

Mr. L. N. Jones, Regional Supervisor of this district for the Department of Conservation was present at the request of the Chairman of this Committee and aided materially in clarifying some of the discussions, especially as regards the Department of Conservation's point of view on the questions involved.

After considerable discussion and study of the resolutions from the Menominee and Oceano County Boards of Supervisors, your Committee on Conservation recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED:

1. That the law limiting the killing of deer during the open season to one antlered deer be amended to provide that a party of four or more hunters in camp be permitted upon special license to kill one deer, male or female, for camp consumption; otherwise, such law continue in force without change. Also that in counties where an over-supply of does exists that such over-supply be transported outside the counties and also outside the state in the discretion of the Conservation Department.

2. That bear remain classified as game animals as at present and that
no change be made in the existing law, unless the Conservation Department suggests otherwise.

3. That the non-resident license fee for deer-hunting remain at $25.00.

4. That the deer license tag have a certain portion of it set aside for attachment to the hide to eliminate the necessity of the licensee going to the Conservation Department Office to get a permit to sell or tan the hide.

5. That the resident rod fishing license fee be $1.00 and this to include fishing for all species of fish and in all waters, including the Great Lakes and that said fee cover both husband and wife and all members of the family under seventeen years of age.

6. That the Department of Conservation be given discretionary powers in establishing the length of seasons and bag limits for upland game birds, either increasing or decreasing same and also discretionary powers as regards deer herd management.

7. That some type of Water Code for the State of Michigan be adopted and that this matter be brought to the attention of our State Senator and Representative from this district, so that the necessary legislative step may be taken to establish such a code.

Resolved further, that copies of this resolution be sent E. Stephen Bensin, Senator elect from this district; Charles F. Sundstrom, State Representative; F. J. Hoffmaster, Director of Conservation; and to all the Boards of Supervisors of the Upper Peninsula.

James Nardi, Chairman
Henry C. Cooper,
Alfred A. Allen,
Joseph H. DeGroote,
James A. Miller.

The following report of the Conservation Committee was read. Supervisor Nardi moved for its adoption by the Board. Supported by Supervisor Cooper and carried.

Honorable Board of Supervisors,
Marquette County, Michigan.
Gentlemen:

Your Committee on Conservation met on Friday, January 27, 1939 at 1:30 o'clock p.m. and after consultation with Mr. L. N. Jones, Regional Supervisor of the State Conservation Department, recommend to your Board the following resolution for adoption:

WHEREAS, this County and the Upper Peninsula as a whole is extremely fortunate in having so many and varied natural resources and
WHEREAS, the forest land is essentially the contributing factor and the foundation, maintenance of those resources to a large extent and
WHEREAS, this forest land is valuable as wildlife food and cover;
as potential recreational and tourist attractions; as a source of lumber and forest products and is a large factor in stream control and erosion control.
Legislators their continued approval and efforts in maintaining a continued adequate
appropriation for the prevention and suppression of forest fires.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to
all other counties in the Upper Peninsula; to our Governor, Frank D. Fitzgerald; the Michi-
gan Department of Conservation; Mr. L. N. Jones of the Conservation Department of this
district and to D. Stephen Benzie and Charles F. Sundstrum, Senator and Representative,
respectively, from this district.
Respectfully submitted,
James Nardi, Chairman
Henry G. Cooper,
Alfred A. Allen,
Joseph H. DeGroet,
James A. Miller.

The following report of the Budget & Executive Committee was read.

It was moved by Supervisor Perkins, supported by Supervisor Labold and carried, that the
report be adopted.

To the Honorable Chairman and
Board of Supervisors,
Marquette County;

At a meeting of the Budget and Executive Committee held on Monday
afternoon, February 27th, the Committee, after considering the various communications
presented to it by the entire Board, beg to report as follows:

which recommended opposition to the passing of any Bill by the State Legislature by which
it was thought to change the method of allocation of relief monies, the principal ob-
jection being to the plan of having all of the money appropriated by the State for welfare
purposes, apportioned on population basis.

With reference to the communication from the Chamber of Commerce
at Marquette, and the Industrial Association of Ishpeming, asking the County to authorize
the expenditure of from $200 to $250 for the purpose of training tourist guides, through
the W.P.A., so that they might obtain a proper knowledge of the outdoor wild life, your
Committee recommends that because the Board has no funds available for that purpose, that
the request be denied.

The Committee, after studying the communication regarding the
mentally deficient child of Harry Nydahl of Marquette, recommend that this communication
be referred to the Judge of Probate and the County Welfare Agent, with instructions that
if further investigation warrants it, that this child be admitted to a State Institution
at State expense, and that this be done if and when a vacancy occurs. The Committee
recommends to the Board, however, that the County Welfare Agent and the Judge of Probate
should clearly understand that this child should not be admitted to any private institution
at County expense.

Your Budget and Executive Committee wish further time to consider
the resolution from the Cass County Board of Supervisors recommending that some legal
machinery be set up whereby persons who have not obtained a legal settlement within this
State, can be returned to the State of their legal settlement by a Court Order. We wish
to report that this resolution has been turned over to the Marquette County Farm
Commission and the Prosecuting Attorney for their consideration and advice before the Com-
mittee believes it should make a definite recommendation to the Board of Supervisors.

Respectfully submitted,
H. E. Perkins,
John G. Stenglein,
Joseph F. Labold,
B. C. Nightingale,
Paul Van Riper,
M. S. Richards,
Chas. J. Stokel.
Budget & Executive Comm.

The following report of the Agricultural Committee was read.

Supervisor Labold moved the report be adopted. Supported by Supervisor Mackey and carried.

Marquette, Mich., March 17, 1939.

The agricultural committee met in the court house on Friday,
March 17, with the county agricultural agent and the Prosecuter to consider the claim
of Mrs. Ellen Hestikko of Skandia Township for $250.00 for the alleged poisoning of five
of her cattle by grasshopper poison due to the alleged negligence of Marquette County
representatives during July 1938. Said claim is dated November 20, 1934.

After reviewing the claim and entire file, and hearing from Mr.
L. R. Walker and the Prosecuter, it was moved and seconded, and after discussion, duly
carried, that this committee report and recommend to the Board of Supervisors that said
claim be denied in its entirety; and further, that in the event the Board adopts this
report, the Clerk be instructed to forthwith write Mrs. Hestikko and her attorney, L. E.
Garvin, of such denial.

Joseph F. Labold,
Matt Mackey,
John Mussatto,  
John Welland,  
Lawrence G. String,  
Maini Malmeoja.

The monthly reports of Morgan Heights Sanatorium, County Treasurer, Superintendents of the Poor and County Jail Physician were read and ordered filed by the Chairman.

The report of the Trespass Agent and one report of the Justices of Peace for fines collected, were read and ordered filed by the Chairman.

The Chairman requested an oral report from the Sheriff's Committee on Jail conditions. Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman, Chairman of the said Committee, addressed the Board and told of the contacts with the Sheriff. He stated that the Sheriff was cooperating 100 per cent with the Committee and the Board and that in the Committee's opinion the Sheriff was doing a good job and in some instances had saved the County money by his foresight. Also that the Jail had been cleaned up in a good manner and that if the Sheriff continued this procedure the Board need not be fearful of conditions therein.

A letter from the Department of Justice, Bureau of Prisons, addressed to the present Sheriff and citing conditions of the Jail as reported by their inspection on the occasion of his last inspection trip in August 1927, was introduced and ordered read by the Chairman.

The letter cited numerous deficiencies existing at the time of inspection and Supervisor Stakel wished to know why the Board was never apprised of the situation.

Whereupon the Chairman ordered the Clerk to write the Department of Justice and ask them to notify the Board of the status of the County Jail at any future inspection and also if the Jail meets with the specifications as required by the Department of Justice for confinement of federal prisoners.

After some discussion, Supervisor Nicholas moved the letter be filed. Supported by Supervisor Nardi and carried.

Supervisor Muck moved that S. R. Elliott be elected to succeed himself as County Road Commissioner for the ensuing term. Supported by Supervisor Nardi and unanimously carried.

A resolution from the Board of Supervisors of Gogebic County advocating immediate study of the present regulations of liquor control by the State Legislature and the Liquor Control Commission to determine whether or not a change in the system is feasible to permit all tavern licenses to include the sale of liquors, as well as beer and wine, was read. Supervisor Nicholas moved the resolution be filed. Supported by Supervisor Price and carried.

Supervisor Nardi suggested the Board adopt a similar resolution but no action was taken by the Board.

It was moved by Supervisor Nicholas and supported by Supervisor Jernstad and carried that the Prosecuting Attorney be granted an extension of time to report on the question of support of neglected children.

Supervisor Muck moved that the Chairman appoint a committee to draw up a resolution of respect for our departed Governor Frank D. Fitzgerald and that a copy be sent to the former Governor's family and also that the resolution be incorporated in the minutes of this meeting. Supported by Supervisor Rose and carried. The Chairman thereupon appointed Supervisors Muck, Perkins and Nicholas and the Prosecuting Attorney.

Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman moved the report of the above Committee be adopted. Supported by Supervisor Allen and carried.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Honorable Frank D. Fitzgerald, Governor of the State of Michigan, departed this life on March 16, 1939; and

WHEREAS, his tragic and untoward death, at the height of his career, has taken from the citizens of this State a public servant who had unselfishly dedicated his life to public service; and

WHEREAS, his outstanding personality, his splendid ability and patient good nature had won for him the warm personal admiration and highest respect of all who knew him; be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of Marquette County takes this solemn occasion to express to the family of our late leader its feeling of profound sorrow and deep sympathy; and that this resolution be spread at large upon the minutes of this Board; and that the Clerk be requested to forward a true copy of this resolution to the bereaved family of our departed friend.

MARRIQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
Edward G. Muck,
H. E. Perkins,
T. J. Nicholas,
John D. Voeller,
Resolution Committee.
On motion of Supervisor Nightingale, supported by Supervisor Richards and carried, the members of the Auditing Committee that are re-elected, were authorized to audit the current bills for the next meeting.

There being no further business, on motion of Supervisor Rose, supported by Supervisor Nicholas, the Board adjourned subject to the call of the Clerk.

Chairman.

Clerk.

Marquette, Mich., April 19, 1939.

The Honorable Board of Supervisors of Marquette County met, pursuant to a call duly made at the Court House in the City of Marquette, on Wednesday, the 19th day of April, A.D. 1939, at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

The meeting was called to order by the Clerk.

The following call was read:

COUNTY OF MARQUETTE
OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK

Dear Sir:—You are hereby requested to call a meeting of the Board of Supervisors of said County to convene at the Court House in the City of Marquette, on Wednesday, the 19th day of April, A.D. 1939, at 2:00 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of organization and transaction of such business as may come before the meeting.


The roll being called the following Supervisors were found to be present:


Absent: None.

The Clerk stated the first order of business was the selection of a Chairman for the ensuing year.

Supervisor Miller moved that Supervisor Nightingale be nominated as Chairman. Supported by Supervisor Chiardi.

No more nominations being offered, it was moved by Supervisor Muck and supported by Supervisor Price that Supervisor Nightingale be elected Chairman by acclamation.

Supervisor Stakel, supported by Supervisor Mongrain, moved the regular rules of order be suspended and that the Clerk call the names of the new Supervisors so that they could rise and tell what precincts they represented and thus be introduced.

Supervisor Wiseman moved the same rules of order as used in the past be adopted for the coming year. Supported by Supervisor Lindstrom and carried.
April 19, 1939

Supervisor Nicholas addressed the Board and made some suggestions for change in Rule VIII of the present Rules of Order and further suggested that a definite date be set for election of Road Commissioners and others appointed by the Board whose terms expire in April and December.

Supervisor Rose moved the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting be dispensed with. Supported by Supervisor Danielson and carried.

A petition signed by fourteen residents of Ewing Township requesting improvement to road D.3., beginning on the NNE of NW4 of Section 2, 42-24 and continuing to the NE3 of NW4 of Section 4, 42-24, was read. On motion of Supervisor Mackey, supported by Supervisor Danielson, the petition was referred to the Highways and Bridges Committee and the Marquette County Road Commission.

The resignation of Charles W. Ruhehine as County Surveyor was presented, and Supervisor Richards moved the same be accepted. Supported by Supervisor Mackey and carried.

A claim from Mark Roberts, Health Officer of Wells Township, giving an itemized statement of services rendered in contagious disease cases, was read. Supervisor Van Riper, moved it be referred to the Auditing Committee. Motion carried.

A letter from the Upper Peninsula Spanish-American War Veterans, requesting an appropriation of $300.00 to enable the Veterans to carry out an elaborate program in connection with their annual reunion to be held in Ishpeming, Michigan, July 2nd, 3rd and 4th, was read. Supervisor Swanson, supported by Supervisor Jernstad, moved the communication be referred to the Budget and Executive Committee.

A communication from Allan C. Hyde, President of the State Association of County Clerks, requesting the attendance of the Clerk at a convention to be held in Charlevoix, Michigan, July 15th, 20th and 21st, was read. On motion of Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman, supported by Supervisor Laine, the Clerk was authorized to attend the convention on the same conditions as before. Motion carried by the following Yeas and Nays vote:


Nays: None.

A letter from James V. Bennett, Director of the Bureau of Prisons, acknowledging receipt of a letter from the Clerk, asking the Bureau to acquaint the Board with results of their future inspections of the County Jail and stating they wished to cooperate with the Board, was read. Supervisor Nardi, supported by Supervisor Price, moved the letter be filed.

A communication from Clarence W. Lock, Sec. Treasurer, of the Michigan Association of County Treasurers, requesting attendance of the County Treasurer at a convention on June 29th and 30th at St. Joseph, Michigan, was read. Supervisor Gribble, supported by Supervisor Allen, moved the communication be filed.

Two letters, one from the Governor of the State and one from the Department of Conservation, acknowledging receipt of resolutions on conservation, adopted by the Board at the April meeting of the Board, were read and ordered filed by the Chairman.

The report of the State Auditors, representing the audit of all County Offices, was presented. On motion of Supervisor Perkins, supported by Supervisor Jernstad and carried, the report was referred to the Auditing Committee to report back to the Board.

At this juncture Mr. E. L. Pearce, one of the trustees of Morgan Heights Sanatorium, addressed the Board. Mr. Pearce speaking for the trustees of Morgan Heights Sanatorium, all of whom were present, gave a detailed report of construction contemplated at the residence of Dr. Berry, Superintendent, stating the need for expansion of present facilities in the Doctor's home and that under the proposed plans a second story would be erected and that ultimately this would facilitate expansion to the nearby nurses' home. Also that the cost of construction plus current expenses would undoubtedly exceed the budget as set up in October and that the report was given to the Board to apprise them of the possibility of a deficit at the end of the fiscal year. The lowest bid submitted, he further stated, was $2,500.00. Supervisor Jernstad moved the Board concur in the report and action of the trustees. Supported by Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman.

Mr. G. Sherman Collins then addressed the Board and said that while the Sanatorium was well within the budget now, that this project was unforeseen in October and that possibly there would be a deficit, but the exact amount needed to balance the budget could not be estimated at this time.

Supervisor Jernstad moved the Board go on record as advancing the trustees up to the amount of $5,000.00 if necessary for the contemplated construction, as an amendment to the original motion.
After much discussion Supervisor Van Riper spoke and cited the splendid work being done by Dr. Berry, the Superintendent, stating he was heartily in favor of concurring with the trustees' requests.

Above amendment supported by Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman and carried by the following Yeas and Nays vote:


**Nays:** None.

The original motion as amended after being put to a vote was unanimously carried.

The report of the Auditing Committee was read and also a letter from the Attorney General stating his opinion as regards the Probate Judge's jurisdiction in the case of neglected and dependent children. On motion of Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman, supported by Supervisor Mongrain, the Auditing Committee report was adopted by the following Yeas and Nays vote:


**Nays:** None.

The following report of the Marquette County Road Commission was read. Supervisor Ewing, after explanatory remarks by K. I. Sawyer, moved the Chairman appoint a committee of three to draw up a resolution opposing House Bill No. 453 and that such resolution be sent to the legislators at Lansing. Supported by Supervisor Gribble and carried. The Chairman appointed Supervisors Nicholas, Wm. J. Wiseman, Miller and K. I. Sawyer to draw up the above mentioned resolution.

**BOARD OF COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONERS**

Ishpeming, Mich., April 11, 1939.

Honorable Board of Supervisors,
Marquette County, Michigan.

Gentlemen:—At a meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners held on April 11th, 1939 the writer was instructed to write you on the following matter:

There has been a bill introduced in the Legislature known as House Bill 463 which will repeal Act 1 of the Extra Session of 1937. This Act 1, being the Act, which appropriates $200,000 from the General Fund for snow removal.

The terms of this Act 1, which it is now proposed to repeal, provides this sum of money to be divided among those Counties having more than 60 inches of snow in any one year, and proportionally to the snow fall and mileage of roads in such Counties. Under this bill Marquette County received $12,085.37 in 1937 and $10,436.13 in 1938.

The money available to the Commission is now so limited that any curtailment in the revenues received by the Commission must be offset by decreases in services given by the Commission, and in round numbers, if this House Bill 463 is passed and the snow plowing revenue cut, it may be anticipated that the County Road Commission will have to reduce their snow plow schedule by about 100 miles of road, or secure equal funds for this purpose from a source which is not known.

The Road Commission feel that this should be brought to the attention of your Board and your Board requested to take such action as you may see fit, and with the further recommendation that passage of this House Bill 463 be opposed.

Yours truly,

K. I. Sawyer, Superintendent.

The following report of the Special Jail Committee was read.

On motion of Supervisor Jernstad, supported by Supervisor Laine, the report was adopted by the following Yeas and Nays vote:


**Absent:** Miller and Nicholas—2.

Marquette, Mich., April 17, 1939.

Minutes of a meeting of the Jail Committee, held in the Court House, in the City of Marquette, on Monday, the 17th day of April, 1939.

Present: William J. Wiseman, Chairman; Harry S. Nightingale, James Jernstad.
The communication of Howard C. Treado, sheriff, April 13, 1939, was read, discussed and considered. Thereupon it was moved by Mr. Wm. J. Wiseman, supported by Mr. Harry G. Nightingale and Mr. James Jernstad and carried, that this committee recommend to the Board of Supervisors as follows:

That the allowance to the Sheriff for the board of prisoners be fixed at the same amount allowed his predecessor, namely Sixty-five Cents (65¢) per day, effective from January 1, 1939; and that an electric ice-box be purchased for use in the Jail kitchen at a price of $500.00

Signed:
W. J. Wiseman,
James A. Jernstad,
H. S. Nightingale.

The regular reports of the Justices of the Peace were read and ordered filed by the Chairman.

The monthly reports of County Treasurer, Superintendents of the Poor and Marquette County Red Cross Nurse were read and ordered filed by the Chairman.

The report of the County Trespass Agent was presented and ordered filed by the Chairman.

A resolution from the Chippewa County Board of Supervisors, advocating the endorsement of House Bill No. 629, known as the Knox Bill, was read. On motion of Supervisor Mongrain, supported by Supervisor Gribble, the resolution was referred to the Legislation Committee.

The applications of Dr. C. L. LeGolvan for County Jail Physician and Dr. Charles N. Bottom as County Physician, laid on the table at the last meeting, were presented.

Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman, supported by Supervisor Labold and unanimously carried, moved that Dr. C. L. LeGolvan be elected as County Jail Physician for the ensuing year.

Supervisor Mongrain, supported by Supervisor Jernstad, moved the election of Dr. Charles N. Bottom to succeed himself as County Physician for the next year. Motion carried unanimously.

The following resolution opposing House Bill No. 463 prepared by the Special Committee, was read. On motion of Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman, supported by Supervisor Miller and carried, the resolution was adopted.

Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Marquette County, Michigan, that:

Whereas: The legislature has heretofore made appropriation to assist in the removal of snow on the highways in those counties of the state where snow removal is a heavy burden and whereas the counties are all now in such financial condition that it is not possible for the counties to provide adequate funds for the proper maintenance and construction of highways; And whereas, it is now proposed to repeal the appropriation above mentioned, away with needed services.

Therefore, be it resolved, that this board oppose the repeal of the appropriation for snow removal and requests our representatives and senators in present passage of the act which will do away with this appropriation.

And resolved further that the clerk be instructed to send copies hereof to Honorable Lonren D. Dickinson, Governor; Honorable Stephen Benzie, Senator; and Honorable Charles Sundstrom, Representative.

Supervisor Muck, supported by Supervisor Mongrain and carried, moved the Board give Supervisor Van Riper, the retiring Chairman, a rising vote of thanks for his untiring and efficient service during his tenure of the office of Chairman.

Supervisor Muck also moved the Board again cooperate with the Michigan Children's Fund and appropriate not to exceed $100.00 for the annual dental clinic conducted in Marquette County. Supported by Supervisor Swanson and carried by the following Yeas and Nays vote:


Nays: None.
On motion of Supervisor Van Riper, supported by Supervisor Jernstad and carried, the Board adopted Daylight Saving Time to become effective April 30th at 2:00 o’clock a.m. to continue until September 24th at 2:00 o’clock a.m.

There being no further business, on motion of Supervisor Mngrain, supported by Supervisor Lindstrom, the Board adjourned until May 17, 1939.

\[Signature\]

Chairman.

\[Signature\]

Clerk.


The Honorable Board of Supervisors of Marquette County met, pursuant to a call duly made at the Court House in the City of Marquette, on Wednesday, the 17th day of May, A.D. 1939, at 2:00 o’clock p.m.

Harry S. Nightengale.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman.

The roll being called the following Supervisors were found to be present:


Absent: Stakel--1.

Supervisor Muck moved the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting be dispensed with. Supported by Supervisor Danielson and carried.

A petition signed by 42 voters and taxpayers of Negaunee Township, requesting improvement of the Mail and Bus route in Sections 29 and 30, Township 49 Range 66 West, was read. On motion of Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman supported by Supervisor Mackey and carried, the petition was referred to the Highways and Bridges Committee and the Marquette County Road Commission.

A communication from the Detroit House of Correction suggesting that the Board enter into a contract with the Institution thus precluding the possibility of any embarrassment in the future should the County send any prisoners to the House of Correction, was read. On motion of Supervisor Gribble, supported by Supervisor Price and carried, the communication was filed.

A communication from J. Avery Peterson, Child Welfare Agent, citing the fact that the budget for the office was exhausted and that unless an emergency appropriation was made it would necessitate the closing of the office, was read. Supervisor Lindstrom moved that an emergency appropriation of $150.00 be made to cover the current expenses for the balance of May and June. Motion supported by Supervisor Mackey.

Supervisor Perring then addressed the Board and moved that the communication be referred to the Budget and Executive Committee with power to act, as an amendment to the motion by Supervisor Lindstrom. He stated that in his opinion the committee should look into the matter before appropriating any specified amount and to find out exactly what expenditures would be necessary. The amendment was supported by Supervisor Nicholas and being put to a vote was carried unanimously.

The original motion as amended was voted on and carried.

A communication from W. H. Treloar of the Ishpeming office of the Daily Mining Journal, requesting the cooperation of the County in Ishpeming's jubilee celebration on July 1, 2, 3 and 4 by a full page advertisement in the program edition to be published in conjunction with the celebration, such an advertisement to cost $15.00, was read. Supervisor Gribble moved the communication be referred to the Budget and Executive Committee with power to act. Supported by Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman and carried by the following Yeas and Nays vote:

May 17, 1939

Nays: None.

A communication from Harold E. Stohl, President of the Michigan Association of Register of Deeds, requesting attendance of the Register of Deeds at a convention to be held July 5, 7 and 9, 1939 at Traverse City, was read. Supervisor Mr. J. Wiseman moved the Register of Deeds be authorized to attend the convention on the same conditions as other officers. Supported by Supervisor Beaудry and carried by the following Yea and Nay vote:


Nays: None.

The following report of the Marquette County Agricultural Society, was read. On motion of Supervisor Van Riper, supported by Supervisor Jernstad and unanimously carried, the request was referred to the Budget and Executive Committee. Marquette, Mich., May 17, 1939.

Honorable Board of Supervisors,
Marquette County, Michigan.

Gentlemen:--Following the county fair of last year and because of the inadequate exhibit space at the fair grounds the Executive Committee of Marquette County Agricultural Society met with the directors and superintendents of the fair last Fall, have studied the situation in the interim and have made certain plans and caused estimates to be made thereon.

In summary there is sufficient money in the hands of the Agricultural Society to properly handle the buildings except for the following items:

New sanitary equipment consisting of four additional toilets and one 3-bowl lavatory in ladies' rest room; one toilet and one lavatory in exhibit building; and one toilet at race track--$625.00; Erecting 40' x 60' youth's exhibit hall on foundation which Marquette City has agreed to place if the county will build the building, this building to house school and 4-H Club exhibits--$1845.00; Or a total of $3465.00 is needed to equip the fair in accordance with our minimum needs.

We earnestly request your favorable consideration.
Respectfully submitted,
Marquette County Agricultural Society
M. C. Spencer, Secretary.

A communication from John D. Voelker, Prosecuting Attorney, relative to a letter turned over to him from the Auditing Committee, was read. The letter from Mr. and Mrs. James E. Jopling referred to an accident allegedly sustained by their cook when she fell on ice on the Court House steps. The Prosecutor cited two Supreme Court cases and found from his examination of the law that municipalities are not liable for accumulation of ice or snow on steps or sidewalks and further stated that the Jopling letter does not constitute a formal claim nor was the Prosecutor's letter a denial of the claim, but was written solely to apprise the Clerk of the legal aspects of the case. The Prosecutor further stated the Jopling letter should be preserved in the County files. Supervisor Perring moved the Board comply with the request of the Prosecuting Attorney. Supported by Supervisor Danielson and carried.

The report of the Auditing Committee was read. Supervisors Mr. J. Wiseman moved its adoption. Supported by Supervisor Mongrain and carried by the following Yea and Nay vote:


Nays: None.

The following report of the Auditing Committee was also read. On motion of Supervisor Van Riper, supported by Supervisor Price, the report was adopted by the following Yea and Nay vote:


Nays: None.

Board of Supervisors,
Marquette, Michigan.

Your Auditing Committee to whom was referred the report of the State Auditors for the period of September 1, 1937 to August 31, 1938, report as
follows. A careful examination of the report and its findings was made by your committee. Recommendations by the State Auditor were called to the attention of the various county officers, and they have agreed to carry out these recommendations. The following excerpt is so important to the Board of Supervisors, that we quote it, as follows:

"Relative to appropriations which may legally be made by the board of supervisors we call your attention to a recent ruling by the Attorney General's department which states:

'Money may not be raised by taxes to aid a private enterprise. Under Section 11, Article 8 of the Constitution, the power granted to counties to appropriate money for the construction and maintenance or assistance of public and charitable hospitals is limited to those institutions only where persons suffering from contagious or infectious diseases are treated. The Starr Commonwealth is not a charitable hospital for the treatment of persons suffering from contagious or infectious diseases; hence, public funds cannot be appropriated to such institutions. It follows that Act No. 48, P. A. of 1925, to the extent as it attempts to authorize such appropriations, is unconstitutional.'

Appropriations made by your county to the Goodwill Farm of $300.00, Holy Family Orphans Home $500.00 and Michigan Children's Aid Society $300.00 are, in our opinion, covered by the above ruling."

Your auditing Board recommend the Board of Supervisors follow the ruling of the Attorney General in regard to appropriations.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul Van Riper,  
H. S. Nightingale,  
E. C. Meck,  
Thomas Grable,  
Lawrence C. Ewing,  
Joseph Mongrain,  
W. J. Wiseman,  
Gust Danielson.

The following report of the Budget and Executive Committee to whom was referred the request of the Upper Peninsula Association of Spanish War Veterans for $300.00 to help defray their expenses at their forthcoming convention in the City of Ishpeming on July 2nd, 3rd and 4th, recommend that this be denied. We would like to call attention of the Board or Supervisors to Sec. 11 of Article 8 of the Constitution of the State of Michigan, which reads as follows:

"Any County in this State, either separately or in conjunction with other counties, may appropriate money for the construction and maintenance or assistance of public and charitable hospitals, sanatoria or other institutions for the treatment of persons suffering from contagious or infectious diseases. Each county may also maintain an infirmary for the care and support of its indigent poor and unfortunate, and all county poor houses shall hereafter be designated and maintained as county infirmaries."

Under the above Section the Auditor General has recently ruled that money may not be raised by taxes to aid any private enterprise. In view of the Section quoted above, and the opinion of the Attorney General, your Committee is compelled to report to the Board that the appropriation of $300.00 to the Spanish-American War Veterans would be illegal expenditure of County funds.

Chas. J. Stakel,  
N. B. Richards,  
Joseph F. Labold,  
Paul Van Riper,  
W. J. Wiseman,  
H. S. Nightingale,  
Budget & Executive Com.

The reports of County Justices of the Peace and the County Treasurer, County Jail Physician, Morgan Heights Sanatorium and Marquette County Red Cross Nurse were read and ordered filed by the Chairman.

The monthly reports of Superintendents of the Poor, County Treasurer, County Jail Physician, Morgan Heights Sanatorium and Marquette County Red Cross Nurse were read and ordered filed by the Chairman.

A resolution from the Dickinson County Board of Supervisors, requesting that Senator Brown and Congressman Meck use their influence to secure additional appropriations to the W.P.A. because of the great relief load in the Upper Peninsula, was read. Supervisor Van Riper moved the resolution be received and placed on file. Supported by Supervisor Perring and carried.

A resolution from the Houghton County Board of Supervisors, petitioning the Governor, the Senate and House of Representatives to pass a concurrent resolution petitioning the W.P.A. to abrogate the twenty per cent rule applying to sponsors of projects so that the needy unemployed would continue to be provided with their minimum needs, was read. On motion of Supervisor Wiseman, supported by Supervisor Laine and
carried, the resolution was referred to the Highways and Bridges Committee and the Marquette County Road Commission.

Another resolution from the Houghton County Board of Supervisors stressing the great unemployment and relief load and urging the W.P.A. to send qualified investigators into the County to make an analysis of their financial condition to determine for themselves the inability of Houghton County to meet the twenty per cent requirement, was read. Supervisor Nardi, supported by Supervisor Mackey and carried, moved the resolution be referred to the Highways and Bridges Committee and the Marquette County Road Commission.

A resolution from the Gogebic County Board of Supervisors requesting the federal government approve legislation to advance funds to the taxing units now in National Forests to relieve the distressing financial condition due to Federal acquisition of lands no longer on local tax rolls, was read. On motion of Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman, supported by Supervisor Price and carried, the resolution was filed.

Resolution from the Grafton County and Muskagon County Boards of Supervisors going on record as favoring the prohibition of sale of beer, wine and spirits of any kind between midnight Saturday night and seven o’clock the following Monday morning, were read. On motion of Supervisor Nardi, supported by Supervisor Bergeron and carried, the resolutions were received and placed on file.

A resolution from the Isabella County Board of Supervisors requesting that no new taxes be authorized or levied for any purpose, unless absolutely necessary, due to economic conditions and requesting the other Boards to go on record as favoring the same, was read. Supervisor Gribble moved the Board concur in the resolution. Supported by Supervisor Perring and carried.

Supervisor Lindstrom addressed the Board and inquired about the Dog situation as affects Marquette County. The Chairman stated the matter had been referred to the Prosecuting Attorney and the three City Attorneys.

Supervisor Van Riper spoke before the assembly and referred to the State Auditor’s report wherein they cited a recent opinion of the Attorney General denying appropriations to various outside organizations and moved that the action taken by the Board at the annual meeting last October appropriating more funds to charitable organizations be rescinded. Motion supported by Supervisor Ghirard and carried.

Supervisor Mongrain on behalf of the American Legion, asked for permission for the use of the Fair Grounds on July 16, 1939, to enable the Legion to stage a thrill show to finance procurement of uniforms for the Legion Boys Drum and Bugle Corps. After some discussion Supervisor Mongrain moved the Board permit the Legion the use of the Fair Grounds for the purpose above and also that Marquette County would be relieved of any and all responsibility from damage suits that might arise as a result of my accidents due to the performance of the show. Supported by Supervisor Beaudry and carried.

Supervisor Jernstad moved the matter of collecting delinquent accounts of County welfare cases be referred to the Budget and Executive Committee with power to act. Supported by Supervisor Lindstrom and carried.

There being no further business, on motion of Supervisor Danielson, supported by Supervisor Jernstad and carried, the Board adjourned until June 26, 1939 at 10:00 o’clock a.m. for the annual Equalization meeting.


The Honorable Board of Supervisors of Marquette County met, pursuant to a call duly made at the Court House in the City of Marquette, on Monday, the 26th day of June, A. D. 1939, at 10:00 o’clock a.m.

The meeting was called to order by the Clerk in the absence of Chairman Nightingale.

The roll being called the following Supervisors were found to be present:

Abs: Allen, Beaudry, Bergeron, Danielson, Ewing, Ghirard, Gribble, Halmojla, Jernstad, Labold, Laime, Larson, Lindstrom, Mackey, Miller, Larson, Lindstrom, Mackey, Miller, Mongrain, Muck, Nardi, Nicholas, Parsons, Perkins,
June 26, 1939


Absent: Nightingale--1.

The Clerk stated the first order of business was the selection of a Chairman pro tem.

On motion of Supervisor WM J. Wiseman, supported by Supervisor Danielson, Supervisor Nicholas was elected Chairman by a unanimous vote.

Supervisor Richards moved the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting be dispensed with. Supported by Supervisor Allen and carried.

A communication from Lydia Curtis, Secretary of the Marquette County Humane Society, urging the County to take action on the enforcement of the Dog Tax Law and stating that there is a necessity for a full time dog warden, was read. On motion of Supervisor Mongrain, supported by Supervisor Gribble and carried, the communication was referred to the Budget and Executive Committee.

A petition signed by eight taxpayers of Ewing Township requesting improvement to road D. R., was read. Supervisor Muck moved it to be referred to the Highways and Bridges Committee and the Marquette County Road Commission. Supported by Supervisor Danielson and carried.

A petition signed by eighteen residents and taxpayers of Film Township requesting improvement to the main road running through the Swede Home Location, was read. Supervisor WM J. Wiseman, Chairman of the Highways and Bridges Committee, stated the road had already been taken care of. Whereupon the Chairman ordered the petition filed.

A communication from Allan C. Hyde, President of the State Association of County Clerks, requesting the attendance of the County Clerk and a delegation from the Board at the State Convention in Charlevoix, was read. It appearing that a somewhat similar request was read and acted upon at the last meeting, on motion of Supervisor WM J. Wiseman, supported by Supervisor Mackey and carried, the communication was filed.

A telegram from C. H. Runzis, Chairman of the State Emergency Welfare Relief Commission, stating that County Allocation Boards should set aside sufficient mileage for relief purposes and that if it is not done an appeal should be taken to the State Tax Commission so that the Board would not be held responsible for lack of funds in 1940 was read. On motion of Supervisor Stakel, supported by Supervisor Mongrain and carried, the telegram was referred to the Budget and Executive Committee.

A letter from George E. Bishop, Secretary of the U. P. Development Bureau, requesting the County to appoint two Directors to the Bureau to serve for the following year, was read. Supervisor Stakel moved that Supervisor WM J. Wiseman and Supervisor Van Riper be re-appointed to serve as directors. Supported by Supervisor Muck and carried.

A communication from the Michigan State Association of Supervisors, requesting attendance of at least three members to a State Convention of Superintendents of the Poor to be held in Cheboygan, Michigan, July 25, 26, and 27, and citing the advisability of sending delegates for the study of the new Welfare Bill, was read. Supervisor Stakel addressed the Board and said that while the County Board was not a member of the State Association, he attended the convention last year at no expense to the County and that possibly he would also attend this year and, if so, there would be no expense attached. On motion of Supervisor WM J. Wiseman, supported by Supervisor Rose and carried, the communication was referred to the Budget and Executive Committee.

Supervisor Van Riper moved the regular rules of order be suspended to allow the Equalization Committee to finish their report and report back to the Board at the end of the regular business. Supported by Supervisor Mongrain and carried.

The report of the Auditing Committee was read. On motion of Supervisor Van Riper, supported by Supervisor Gribble, the report was adopted by the following Yeas and Nays vote:


Nays: None

Absent: Nightingale and Stakel--2.

The report of the Highways and Bridges Committee and the Marquette County Road Commission, was read. Supervisor WM J. Wiseman moved its adoption. Supported by Supervisor Muck and carried unanimously.
June 26, 1939

Ishpeming, Mich., June 17, 1939.

Honorable Board of Supervisors,
Marquette County, Michigan

Gentlemen:—In the matter of various petitions and communications referred to the Committee on County Roads and Bridges, and the Board of County Road Commissioners, we report as follows:

We met in joint session on June 15th, 1939, viewed the sites of all communications and petitions referred and report as follows:

In the matter of petition from Mears. Roach and Trombley, the one communication covering two subjects.

We report that the first request pertaining to M-35 is a matter entirely under the jurisdiction of the State Highway Commissioner, this road being a state trunk line highway, and we find that the County Road Commission has governed themselves in accordance with specific instructions received from the State Highway Department through its Regional Maintenance Engineer.

In the matter of the second request relative to the reconstruction of Road FW.

We recommend that this request be denied.

In the matter of petition from residents of Negaunee Township which covered two roads, we find, with regard to Road JC, which is the road mentioned as originating on U. S. 41 and extending Northerly and Westerly to Road JA in Section 30, Town 48 North, Range 28 West, that the County Road Commission at one time had this in the W. P. A. setup and when it came time to secure fence moving permits these were not granted by certain of the residents on this road, and that at the present time the County Road Commission has this road under advisement and recommend that this be left with the County Road Commission for such action as they may determine after their usual procedure relative to rights of way and fence moving.

In the matter of the request, also in this Negaunee Township petition, relative to the Ventoski Road, officially known as County Road JOC.

We find that the reconstruction of this road is in the W. P. A. Setup and will be reconstructed when it is reached in the regular order of procedure under this setup.

In the matter of petition from Gust Hill and Richard Envrila relative to the adoption of a piece of road off of Road PH.

We find that this road is a private road and the same as any other private road leading off a County Road and for that reason we recommend that this request be denied.

In the matter of petition from Ewing Township relative to the reconstruction of a portion of Road EA.

We find that this road is included in the W. P. A. program and that it will be taken care of as soon as it can be reached under this program.

Relative to two resolutions received from the Houghton County Board of Supervisors.

We recommend that the Board of Supervisors concur in those resolutions and that the Clerk be instructed to send notice of this concurrence to the Houghton County Board of Supervisors and that the Clerk be instructed to send copies of these resolutions with certificate that this Board has concurred therein, to all proper State and Federal officials.

We recommend concurrence in the above actions.

Respectfully yours,

Board of County Road Commissioners,
By K. J. Sawyer, Supt.
Committee on County Roads and Bridges
By W. J. Wiseman, Chairman
Gust Danielson
John Ghiardi
E. O. Bock
Lawrence C. Ewing
T. J. Nichols
Allan Swanson
M. B. Richards

The following report of the Buildings, Grounds, and Insurance Committee, together with attached letter, was read. On motion of Supervisor Mongrain, supported by Supervisor 'alle, the report was adopted by the following Yeas and Nays vote:


Nays: Danielson—1.

Absent: Nightingale—1.

Honorable Board of Supervisors,
Marquette County, Michigan.

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Buildings, Grounds and Insurance met at the office of the
County Clerk on Saturday, June 10, 1939, at 2:00 o'clock p.m. to discuss certain matters referred to this Committee, and beg leave to submit the following report:

In the matter of the Court House grounds, it is our opinion that the grounds are now in splendid shape and we believe they should be kept up in the same manner according to the recommendation of Mr. L. R. Walker, the County Agricultural Agent. Some fertilizer should be applied and also a certain amount of work must be done this fall. We recommend an expenditure of not to exceed $60.00 to keep up the Court House grounds in their present beautiful condition.

We have also authorized the Clerk to purchase a new flag for the staff in the Court yard to replace the one now in use. The present flag is in a deplorable condition and much comment and complaint has been heard about its condition.

In the matter of the renovation of the walls and ceilings in the Jail which are in a very bad condition. After a survey of the Jail we find that the estimate for the proposed work would be $105.00 for plastering with Medusa cement. The present plaster will be torn off by prison labor. This is the only solution for the problem in our opinion and we recommend that same be done.

The Clerk has apprised us of the fact that complaints have been received about the present matting which is possibly one inch thick on the inside steps of the Court House. A few people have fallen on these mats and to check the possibility of any lawsuits we recommend replacing the present mats with a low flat rubber mat cemented to the steps. We have had not prices on this item but the cost should be negligible, keeping in mind the immediate need for forestalling any embarrassing litigation.

In the matter of the heating plant in the Court House. After a survey we find that the air line valves are in a bad condition which ultimately results in loss of efficiency to the plant. Mr. E. C. Anderson, local plumber, has surveyed the plant and his recommendations are contained in the attached letter. The bid, submitted by Mr. E. C. Anderson for renewing the present 93 radiators with all new air line metal siphon valves is $320.00.

We recommend the installation of the aforesaid valves and we feel sure such an expenditure will ultimately save the County the initial cost plus a continued saving in fuel cost.

Joseph Mongrain, Chairman
Thomas Gribble
James Nardi
Joseph Yelle
John Ghiaardi
John Bergeron

The report of the Budget and Executive Committee was read. Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman moved its adoption. Supported by Supervisor Llabold, and carried by the following Yeas and Nays vote:


Nays: None.

Absent: Nightingale--1.

To the Honorable Chairman and Board of Supervisors.

Your Budget and Executive Committee at a meeting held on May 24th, carefully reviewed and considered the various communications referred to the Committee by the Board of Supervisors, and we beg to report as follows:

FIRST, with reference to the communication from J. Avery Peterson, County Welfare Agent, we recommend to the Board that the request for additional funds be denied.

We wish to call attention to an opinion of the Prosecuting Attorney, John D. Voelker, with reference to the responsibility of the Board of Supervisors regarding the County Welfare Agent's office, in which the Prosecutor replies as follows, to wit:

"It is my considered opinion that there is no legal duty on the part of Marquette County to furnish the County Welfare Agent with a clerk, or to provide telephone service, stationery, etc., for this particular office. There are several different statutes touching on the appointment, compensation and duties of the Welfare Agent, but in none of them am I able to find any expressed or implied requirement that the counties shall make provision for the above mentioned expenses."
June 24, 1939

In view of the foregoing, and Whereas the funds allocated to the County Welfare Agent's office at the last Annual Meeting of the Board of Supervisors has been exhausted, and

WHEREAS the County Welfare Agent is not a County Officer in the sense of the other county officers elected by the people of the County, or appointed by the Board, and

WHEREAS we have no jurisdiction over this office, and

WHEREAS the Prosecutor has rendered an opinion that the County Board is in no way required to assume any expense in connection with this office, we recommend that the petition of the Welfare Agent be denied, but we suggest that with the co-operation of the County Commissioner of Schools and the Agricultural Agent, that the same time of the two snowmobiles in these departments be offered to the Welfare Agent, to be used in his office when the School Commissioner and the Agricultural Agent are able to release them for certain temporary periods during the month.

SECOND: With reference to the communication from the Daily Mining Journal regarding the purchasing of a full-page advertisement for the Ishpeming Home-Coming edition to be published on June 26th, the Committee wishes to report that in view of the fact that we were given power to act, we wish to report to the Board that we did not authorize the printing of this advertisement because of the following reasons. The Attorney General’s opinion regarding appropriations to private enterprises such as the Good Will Farm, Holy Family Orphanage and Michigan Children's Aid Society, may be construed to apply to the Marquette Mining Journal, and we believe it inconsistent to appropriate money to the above mentioned publication, particularly after denying the request of the Spanish-American War veterans for an appropriation. Further, the Prosecutor advised the Committee that the Board may not run an advertisement solely for the benefit of the Ishpeming Home-Coming, and further, because we had not made or provided for such an appropriation at the Annual Meeting of the Board of Supervisors, there is a question that it may legally be done at this particular time, and your Committee therefore did not authorize the printing of this advertisement.

THIRD: After considering all angles with reference to the subject matter in the letter from the Marquette County Agricultural Society asking for an appropriation of $2,400.00 to equip the Fair Grounds as outlined in their letter, we recommend to the Board that this appropriation be approved of. If, however, a serious situation develops in the Fall with reference to Relief needs in the County, and if the General Fund of the County should be seriously impaired, although, we believe at the moment, that the improvements recommended by the Agricultural Society should be approved of, we would also ask the Board to seriously consider the matter of closing the Fair Project for a year, or in other words, it might not be possible or advisable to hold a Fair in the County in 1940. In order for the Fair to function properly this year, however, it must be adequately equipped, and your Budget and Executive Committee believe it better to have a good Fair in a year for which an appropriation has been provided, rather than to continue to expect the Fair to function every year with inadequate facilities.

Respectfully submitted,

Chas. J. Stakel
M. B. Richards
T. J. Nicholas
W. J. Wiseman
Joseph F. Labold
H. E. Perkins

Budget & Executive Com.

filed by the Chairman.

The reports of County Officers were read and ordered filed by the Chairman.

The reports of County Justices of the Peace were read and ordered filed by the Chairman.

Supervisor Stakel suggested an audit of the Justices of the Peace accounts and the Chairman stated a resolution was on record providing for an audit at intervals of two years.

Mr. William Fountain, of the Emergency Welfare Relief Administration, addressed the Board and spoke of the new Welfare Bill. He also distributed a digest of the new law to all the Supervisors and cited the necessity of a thorough study of the bill. The Clerk was instructed to get copies of the new bill as soon as possible for all the Supervisors.

The Chairman called upon some of the County Officers present for a few remarks pertinent to their office.

Mr. Stanley Williams, County School Commissioner, spoke about probable reduced School Aid and Mr. L. R. Walker, County Agricultural Agent, said he was in the midst of the annual grasshopper bait project.

Mr. M. C. Spencer, Secretary of the Fair Association, thanked the Board for the appropriation for construction of a new building at the Fair Grounds.
June 26, 1939

At this point Supervisor Stakel addressed the Board and stressed the vital importance of a detailed study of the new Welfare Bill by the Board and especially the Budget and Executive Committee, when it is considered that approximately 25 per cent of all County tax money is spent on relief of one kind or another.

Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman, Chairman of the Sheriff's Committee, addressed the Board and spoke of the advisability of the purchase of a washing machine for the Jail. He moved that the Board authorize an expenditure of not to exceed $100 for the purchase of same. Supported by Supervisor Musk and carried by the following Yeas and Nays vote:

Yea: Ahti, Allen, Beauch, Bergeron, Danielson, 
Ewing, Ghiardi, Grable, Halmoeja, Jernstad, Labold, Laine, Larson, Lindstrom, Mackey, 
Miller, Mongrain, Musk, Nardi, Nicholas, Parsons, Perkins, Perring, Price, Richards, 
Rose, Salmi, Solen, Stakel, Swanson, Toms, Toussignant, Tullila, Van Viper, Weiland, 

Nays: None.

Absent: Nightingale--1.

Supervisor Jernstad moved the Board adjourn until 1:15, at which time he would present the report of the Equalization Committee. Supported by Supervisor Nardi and carried.

After the Board reconvenes, Supervisor Jernstad, Chairman of the Equalization Committee, read the full report and moved for its adoption. Supported by Supervisor Yelle and carried by the following Yeas and Nays vote:

Yea: Ahti, Allen, Beauch, Bergeron, Ewing, Ghiardi, 
Grable, Halmoeja, Jernstad, Labold, Laine, Larson, Lindstrom, Mackey, Miller, Mongrain, 
Musk, Nardi, Nicholas, Parsons, Perring, Price, Richards, Rose, Salmi, Solen, Stakel, 
Swanson, Toms, Toussignant, Tullila, Van Viper, Weiland, Wiseman Wm. J., Wiseman Sol., and Yelle--16.

Nays: None.

Absent: Danielson, Nightingale, and Perkins--5.

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TOTAL                  | $40,235,728             | $13,530,255                   | $53,465,983                                 |

Mr. Al. Fontaine, President of the Marquette Rod & Gun Club, addressed the Board and urged the Board to request the State Conservation Commission to keep black bears in the game animal classification and not on the list of predatory animals and that the season remain the same as in the past; that is, during the regular deer season. On motion of Supervisor Mongrain, supported by Supervisor Jernstad, and
unanimously carried, the matter was referred to the Conservation Committee of the Board.

The following resolution, presented and signed by Supervisor Nardi, was read. Supervisor Nardi moved for its adoption. Supported by Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman.

Supervisor Ferring moved as an amendment to the resolution that action be deferred until next year. Supported by Supervisor Yelle. A roll call vote was ordered after much discussion of the advisability of the inspection trip at this time and the amendment was voted down as follows:


Absent: Danielson, Nightingale, and Perkins--3.

Inasmuch as the amendment was voted down the original motion was voted upon and carried by the following Yea and Nay vote:


Nays: Ewing, Nicholas, Ferring, Richards, Rose, Solem, Stakel, Tom, Toussignant, Tulilla, Van Riper, Weiland and Yelle--15.

Absent: Danielson and Nightingale--2.


Resolved that the Board of Supervisors have their annual road inspection tour this year.

Further Resolved that the time and route be selected by the Highways & Bridges Committee and the Marquette County Road Commission and suggest that the date be as usual, sometime in the month of August.

James Nardi

Rose, supported by Supervisor Lindstrom and carried, the Board adjourned until July 12, 1939, at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

Lloyd Lavasseur, Clerk

The Honorable Board of Supervisors of Marquette County met, pursuant to a call duly made at the Court House in the City of Marquette, on Wednesday, the 15th day of July, A.D. 1939, at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

The meeting was called to order by the Clerk in the absence of Chairman Nightingale.

The roll being called the following Supervisors were found to be present:


Absent: Nightingale--1.

The Clerk stated the first order of business was the selection of a Chairman pro tem.

On motion of Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman, supported by Supervisor Mouck and unanimously carried, Supervisor Nicholas was elected Chairman pro tem.

Supervisor Mongrain moved the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting be dispensed with. Supported by Supervisor Price and carried.
A communication from Levine Bros., local plumbing contractors, asking the Board why they were not notified of work being done on the heating plant in order that they could bid on the project, was read. Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman moved the communication be referred to the Buildings, Grounds and Insurance Committee. Supported by Supervisor Danielson and carried.

A communication from Lynn H. Clark, President of the Michigan School Commissioners Convention, requesting attendance of the Marquette County School Commissioner at a convention to be held in Kalamazoo, Michigan August 16, 17 and 18, 1939, was read. On motion of Supervisor Jernstad, supported by Supervisor Allen and carried by the following Yea and Nay vote, the Commissioner was authorized to attend if he saw fit under the same conditions as other County Officers.


Nays: None.

A communication from Stanley Williams, School Commissioner, requesting permission to attend the school of instruction in conjunction with the convention mentioned in the preceding letter, was read. The Chairman called on Mr. Williams for a few remarks and the School Commissioner said he was anxious to go to the school of instruction especially when the school finances were discussed. Inasmuch as the School Commissioner was authorized to attend the convention in action taken on the preceding communication, the Chairman ordered the letter filed.

A communication from the Veterans Administration at Dearborn, Michigan, requesting information as to the amount of money appropriated by the Board for burial expense of veterans of the Civil, Spanish-American or World War, was read. The Chairman ordered the Clerk to reply to the request and furnish the necessary information.

A communication from Howard Trease, Sheriff, requesting permission to attend the Sheriff's Convention to be held at Port Huron, Michigan on July 24, 25 and 26th, was read. On motion of Supervisor Jernstad, supported by Supervisor Muck and carried by the following Yea and Nay vote, the Sheriff was authorized to attend under the same conditions as other County Officers.


Nays: None.

A communication from R. H. Calkins, Secretary-Treasurer of the Michigan Probate Judge Association, requesting attendance of the Judge of Probate at an annual meeting to be held in Keweenaw County August 2, 3 and 4th, was read. Judge Khoury addressed the Board and stated that possibly he would attend but that the County would not have to bear the expense. The Chairman thanked Judge Khoury and ordered the communication filed in view of the Judge of Probate's statement.

A communication from Earl LaPave of Ishpeming, Michigan, requesting the Board to take some action in the matter of little run at large on public highways, and citing the danger that results therefrom and the possibility of discouraging tourists, was read. The Prosecuting Attorney stated that he thought the Upper Peninsula was included in the general state law which pertains to animals roaming on public highways, but would need a little time to give a definite opinion on the matter, whereupon the Chairman ordered the communication referred to the Prosecuting Attorney to report back when ready.

A communication from Floyd E. Evans, Director of the State Board of Aeronautics, requesting the Board to appoint an airport committee of three members in compliance with a new law created at the last session of the Legislature, was read. Supervisor Perkins moved the Committee be composed of the Chairman of the Park Committee and Mr. Spear and Mr. Elliott of the Marquette County Road Commission. Supported by Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman and carried unanimously.

A communication from Miss Sarah Lewis, Secretary of the Michigan Children's Aid Society, requesting the Board to find some possible means to pay its contribution of $300.00 voted on at the last October session and recently denied because of the Attorney General's ruling and also stating that the Society was caring for a number of cases at its own expense, was read. On motion of Supervisor Mongrain, supported by Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman and carried, the communication was referred to the Budget and Executive Committee and the Prosecuting Attorney.

A communication from H. E. Van de Walker, Chairman of the Crippled Children's Commission, stating that whereas the State spent $31,320.65 for medical care of crippled and afflicted children in Marquette County for the year 1937-1938, that this year the maximum the County can receive is $7281.00 and also that only 12% of that total could be spent in any one month, was read. He also urged that
due to the drastic action of the last Legislature, the Board prepare and pass a resolution to be presented to the Legislature, if and when a special session is called, for reconsideration of the amount appropriated and that sufficient funds be made available. Supervisor VanRiper moved the communication be referred to the Budget and Executive Committee, supported by Supervisor Nardi and carried.

The report of the Auditing Committee was read. On motion of Supervisor VanRiper, supported by Supervisor Gribble, the report was adopted by the following Yes and Nay vote:


Nays: None.

The following report of the Conservation Committee was read. Supervisor Nardi moved its adoption. Supported by Supervisor Miller. Some discussion was had and the Chairman called for a raised hand vote to be counted by the Clerk. Vote was taken and the report was adopted by a vote of thirty-three for adoption and four against.

Honorable Board of Supervisors.

Gentlemen:--Your Committee on Conservation met at the Court House on Saturday, July 15, 1939, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of discussing the bear question referred to us at the last meeting of the Board. The entire personnel of the Committee was present. Also present were Mr. L. N. Jones of the Conservation Department, Mr. Peter Trudell, President of the Northern Michigan Sportsmen Association, and Mr. Al. J. Fontaine, President of the Marquette Rod and Gun Club.

The matter of the closed season on bear was brought up and the Chairman asked for remarks from the outside representatives. Mr. Fontaine explained House Bill No. 233 pertinent thereto and Mr. Trudell stated the views of the local sportsmen's clubs and said they were in favor of an open season on bears during the deer season only. Mr. Jones also spoke before the Committee and said the Department was willing to cooperate with local organizations.

After some discussion and study, on motion of Supervisor Miller, seconded by Supervisor Laine, and unanimously carried, the Committee adopted the following resolution:

"Resolved, that the Marquette County Board of Supervisors to on record as keeping the black bear in the game animal classification with the hunting season closed on said animal all the year with the exception of the open deer season in November, at which time we suggest and recommend there be an open season on the black bear as in the past few years.

Further resolved, that copies of this resolution be sent to P. J. Hoffmaster, Director of the Conservation Commission at Lansing and to all Boards of Supervisors in the Upper Peninsula."

We heartily recommend the adoption of this resolution.

Signed,
James Nardi, Chairman
Evert Laine,
James A. Miller,
Alfred A. Allen.

The following report of the Budget and Executive Committee was read. On motion of Supervisor Lebold, supported by Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman and carried, the report was adopted.

To the Honorable Chairman and County Board of Supervisors:

At a meeting of the Budget and Executive Committee held on Tuesday afternoon, June 27th, the three communications referred to the Committee by the Board, were disposed of as follows:

The letter from the Michigan Association of Supervisors asking the County Board to send not less than three delegates to the State Convention of the Superintendents of Poor, was recommended to be filed, with the understanding that the Board of Supervisors would not assume any expense for any member of the Board attending this meeting.

The letter from the Marquette County Humane Society, Welfare Relief Commission, now known as the Social Service Commission, was next considered, and the Secretary was authorized to present the wishes of the Committee to the Upper Peninsula member of the new commission, with the effect that Marquette County would continue in the future as we have in the past, to turn over all of the available funds that we could to the new Social Service Commission as our contribution, provided, however, that
the new Commission would make a sincere effort to bring some of the other counties in the State into line, because it is a notorious fact that some of the counties were not exerting every effort to curtail their own expenditures in order to provide money for welfare and relief.

Respectfully submitted,
H. E. Perkins,
J. F. Labold,
T. J. Nichols,
Wm. J. Wiseman,
Paul VanRiper,
M. B. Richards,
Chas. J. Stakel.

The following report of the Agricultural Committee was read. Supervisor Labold moved for its adoption. Supported by Supervisor Mackey and carried by the following Yeas and Nays vote:

Yea: Ahti, Allen, Beaurey, Bergeron, Daniels, Ewing,
Chiardi, Gribble, Halmoeja, Jernstad, Labold, Laine, Larson, Lindstrom, Mackey, Miller,
Mongrain, Muck, Nardi, Nicholas, Parsons, Perkins, Perring, Price, Richards, Rose, Salmi,
Solem, Stakel, Swanson, Toms, Tousignant, Tulilla, VanRiper, Weiland, Wiseman Wm. J.,
Wiseman Sol, and Yelle--38.

Nays: None.

Marquette, Mich., July 8, 1939.

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Marquette County.

Gentlemen:--Your committee on agriculture met July seventh in the court house with all members present.

The meeting was called to consider transporting 4-H Club members to Camp Shaw at Chatham the week of July 31, 1939; also to consider the deficit which the county agricultural agent will have in his office before the end of the fiscal year.

Motion was made by Lawrence Ewing, and supported by John Weiland, that the committee ask the Board of Supervisors to appropriate $45.00 from the general fund, to be used to transport 4-H Club members to and from Camp Shaw during the week of July 31. Motion was carried unanimously. The legality of making such an appropriation is found in act 115 of Public Acts of 1919.

A deficit of approximately $140.00 will occur in the county agricultural agent's office. This deficit is due to the fact that the appropriation of $1200.00 at the October session was too small to take care of the increase in salary to stenographer and unforeseen cost of office equipment, including a new mimeograph. The only mimeograph in the court house is owned jointly by the extension division of Michigan State College and county agricultural agent's office. A new mimeograph had to be purchased as the old one was worn out. The cost of the new machine was $190.00 plus the old machine. The county paid one-half of cost. The machine is used by the various county offices.

A motion was made by John Weiland, seconded by Wilfred Tousignant, and carried unanimously, that the committee ask the Board of Supervisors to add $140.00 to the county agricultural agent's appropriation, this amount to be taken from the general fund,

Respectfully submitted,
Joseph F. Labold,
Lawrence Ewing,
Maine Halmoeja,
Matt Mackey,
Arne Salmi,
Wilfred Tousignant,
John Weiland.

The monthly reports of County Treasurer, Superintendents of the Poor, Morgan Heights Sanatorium and Red Cross Nurse were read and ordered filed by the Chairman.

The reports of County Justices of the Peace were read and ordered filed by the Chairman.

Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman, Chairman of the Highways and Bridges Committee, addressed the Board and said the matter of the annual road tour referred to his Committee and the Marquette County Road Commission, was taken up before the regular Board meeting and that the date was set for August 9, 1939 at 9:00 o'clock a.m. and that other arrangements would be announced later.

A resolution from the Mackinac County Board of Supervisors, requesting the Federal Government to adopt a system whereby townships and counties shall be reimbursed for financial loss created by removal of large areas of tax paying land from the tax rolls, was read. It appearing that action was taken at a previous meeting relative to the same, the resolution was ordered filed by the Chairman.

A resolution from the Benzie County Board of Supervisors favoring the prohibition of sale of beer, wine and spirits of any kind during the hours of twelve o'clock midnight on Saturday until seven a.m. the following Monday in Benzie County, was read. On motion of Supervisor Jernstad, supported by Supervisor Nardi and carried, the communication was filed.

Supervisor Perkins addressed the Board and moved that the
Chairman appoint a committee of five members to study the new Welfare Bill and to report their recommendations to the Board at the annual meeting in October and also that the Clerk notify the absent Chairman Nightingale of the action, to give him ample time to pick the Committee. Above motion supported by Supervisor Jermstad and carried unanimously.

The Chairman asked if any County Officers present wished to speak about their offices, whereupon Judge Khoury addressed the Board and said that the amount of $7501.00 appropriated by the Legislature was a very small sum and that some cases of afflicted and crippled children would have to be rejected. The Chairman suggested that the Judge of Probate submit data pertinent thereto to the new committee on welfare to be appointed by Chairman Nightingale.

There being no further business, on motion of Supervisor Mack, supported by Supervisor Labold and carried, the Board adjourned until Wednesday, August 28, 1939 at 10:00 o'clock a.m.

Chairman Pro-Tem.

Clerk.


The Honorable Board of Supervisors of Marquette County met, pursuant to a call duly made at the Court House in the City of Marquette, on Wednesday, the 23rd day of August, A.D. 1939, at 10:00 o'clock a.m.

of Chairman Nightingale.

The meeting was called to order by the Clerk in the absence to be present:


Absent: Beaundry, Nightingale and Tousignant--3.

The Clerk stated the first order of business was the selection of a Chairman pro-temp.

On motion of Supervisor Mack and supported by Supervisor Gribble, Supervisor Nicholas was unanimously elected Chairman pro-temp.

Supervisor Nardi moved the reading of the minutes be dispensed with. Supported by Supervisor Allen and carried.

A communication from Alvin P. Tuch, local contractor, requesting permission to bid on future paint jobs, was read. On motion of Supervisor Mongrain, supported by Supervisor Swanson and carried, the communication was referred to the Buildings, Grounds and Insurance Committee.

A communication from Vernon J. Brown, Auditor General, with opinion attached, relative to appropriations made by the Board to tourist associations, was read. The Chairman ordered the communication filed.

A petition signed by five taxpayers of Powell Township, requesting improvement to the Saux Head Lake road, was read. Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman moved it be referred to the Highways and Bridges Committee and the Marquette County Road Commission. Supported by Supervisor Price and carried.

A petition signed by ninety-two residents and taxpayers of Republic Township, requesting the Board to construct a bridge across the Michigan river on the West Republic end, was read. On motion of Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman, supported by Supervisor Mack and carried, the petition was referred to the Highways and Bridges Committee and the Marquette County Road Commission.

The following resolution brought to the attention of the Board by an attached letter from L. R. Walker, County Agricultural Agent, was read. On motion of Supervisor Van Riper, supported by Supervisor Weiland and carried, the resolution was adopted.

Be it resolved by the Marquette County Board of Supervisors that the Commissioner of Agriculture of the State of
A communication, signed by eleven licensed Embalmers and Funeral Directors of Marquette County, requesting the Board to increase the allowance for county burials from $45.00 to $90.00 for adults and from $18.00 to $30.00 for infants and children and citing the increase in costs of such burials was read. On motion of Supervisor Ferring, supported by Supervisor Perkins and carried, the communication was referred to the County Poor Commission.

A communication from K. I. Sawyer citing the necessity of the Marquette County Road Commission having their annual report incorporated in the minutes of the October meeting and also the necessity of having the minutes of the annual October meeting published within thirty days of the meeting and a certification from the County Clerk to the Auditor General stating such measures were taken, to enable the County to be reimbursed for road monies due them in compliance with Act 178 of the Public Acts of 1927, was read. On motion of Supervisor Perkins, supported by Supervisor Danielson and unanimously carried, the communication was referred to the Budget and Executive Committee with power to act in the matter.

A communication from K. I. Sawyer of the Marquette County Road Commission, recommending that the Board quit claim a portion of SW¼ of NW¼ of Section 27, 48-48 now held as portion of the airport property to the Marquette County Road Commission in payment for indebtedness of the Park Department to the Marquette County Road Commission, was read. On motion of Supervisor Mack, supported by Supervisor Laine and carried by the following Yeas and Nay vote, the report was adopted as outlined.


Nays: None.

A communication from K. I. Sawyer with resolution attached and asking the Board to give consideration to the plan for construction of 10' x 28' floats for seaplane bases in Lakes Michigan and Independence, wherein the County would furnish the material and the N.F.A. the labor at a cost of approximately $200.00 each, was read. Muck discussion was had as to the advisability of this expenditure at this time and as to the hazard to resorters, after which Supervisor VanRiper moved the communication and resolution be referred to the County Park Committee and the Marquette County Road Commission. Supported by Supervisor Gribble and carried by a raised hand vote of twenty-four for and the three against.

A communication from Prentiss M. Brown and one from A. H. Vandenberg, Michigan Senators, also one from Corrington Gill, Assistant Administrator of W.P.A. at Washington, D.C., acknowledging their receipt of resolutions passed by this Board which concurred in resolutions passed by Houghton County and relative to recent W.P.A. legislation, were read. The first letter on motion of Supervisor Lindstrom, supported by Supervisor Stakol and carried, was filed and the latter two were ordered filed by the Chairman.

A communication from Ed. F. Smith of the Editorial Department of the Jackson Citizen Patriot, a newspaper published in Jackson, Michigan and extolling the virtues of Joe Mulville, Custodian of the Big Bay Park, was read. The Chairman ordered the communication referred to the County Park Commission.

The report of the Auditing Committee was read. Supervisor VanRiper moved its adoption. Supported by Supervisor Price and carried by the following Yeas and Nay vote:


Nays: None.

The following report of the Highways and Bridges Committee and the Marquette County Road Commission, was read. On motion of Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman, supported by Supervisor Mack and carried, the report was adopted.

Honorable Board of Supervisors,
Marquette County, Michigan.

Gentlemen:--Your Committee on County Roads and Bridges and the Board of County Road Commissioners met on July 12th, 1939 and considered various communications referred to them for their consideration.
August 23, 1939

In the matter of communication from residents of Ewing Township relative to Road DR.

We find that pursuant to action heretofore taken jointly by the Committee, that the County Road Commission has already undertaken all the work in Ewing Township which can be done for some time and it is not in a position to take on any further work in this Township. For this reason we recommend that the matter be left in the hands of the County Road Commission for consideration if and when they find this work possible.

In the matter of communication from Tilden Township relative to the Swede Home Location Road.

We find that the County Road Commission has already undertaken all the work it is possible to handle for this year and probably for some additional time, and for this reason we recommend that this communication be left with the County Road Commission for consideration if and when they find it possible to do this work.

The matter of arrangements for the annual inspection trip of the Board of Supervisors have heretofore been reported. We recommend concurrence in the above actions.

Respectfully yours,

BOARD OF COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONERS,
By E. J. BAYTER, Supt.
COMMITTEE ON COUNTY ROADS AND BRIDGES,
By W. J. Wiseman, Chairman.
Lawrence Swing,
M. B. Richards,
E. G. Buck,
John Ghiardi,
James Jernstad,
Allen Swanson.

The following report of the Budget and Executive Committee was read. Supervisor Labold moved its adoption. Supported by Supervisor Mackey and carried by the following Yea and Nay vote:

Yea: Abt, Allen, Bergeron, Danielsen, Swing, Ghiardi,
Gribble, Halmeoja, Jernstad, Labold, Laine, Larson, Lindstrom, Mackey, Miller, Mongrain,
Buck, Nardi, Nicholas, Parsons, Perkins, Perring, Price, Richards, Rose, Salmi, Solen,
Stakei, Swanson, Toms, Tullila, VanRiper, Weiland, Wiseman Wm. J., Wiseman Sol and Yelle -- 38.

Nays: None.

To the Honorable Chairman and County Board of Supervisors:

Your Budget and Executive Committee concur in the recommendation made by the Michigan Crippled Children's Commission, and recommend that the County Prosecuting Attorney prepare, and the County Board should pass a suitable resolution for presentation to the Legislature, urging that the State appropriation for Afflicted and Crippled Children be re-considered, and that sufficient funds be available to carry on the work properly.

The Budget and Executive Committee also recommend that the Board of Supervisors for an experimental period of two months, viz., August and September, 1939, match funds with the State dollar for dollar for Afflicted and Crippled Children. The specific amounts to be matched are $361.81 each month for the two-month period for Afflicted Children, and $217.17 each month for the two-month period for Crippled Children. It is understood that these are maximum amounts that the County will be called upon to pay, and furthermore, that the State funds be exhausted first, and then, if the need arises, that the County funds be drawn upon.

We further recommend that the Judge of Probate, if he sees fit to act upon our recommendation, that the Administrator of the old E.R.A. Commission, Mr. Fountain, and that the Chief Investigator, Mr. E. H. Melson of the Poor Commission, be contacted in each individual case to determine the indigency of the patients.

We also recommend, if the Judge of Probate sees fit to concur in the recommendation, to ask the Marquette Alger County Medical Society to appoint not less than three medical coordinates living in different parts of the County, whose duty it would be to pass on all afflicted and crippled children cases before they are admitted to a hospital at State and County expense.

With reference to the communication from the Michigan Children's Aid Society, the subject matter of which suggested a possible legal method to enable the Board to author-
September 20, 1939

The Honorable Board of Supervisors of Marquette County, met, pursuant to a call duly made at the Court House in the City of Marquette, on Wednesday, the 20th day of September, A. D. 1939, at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

The meeting was called to order by the Clerk in the absence of Chairman Nightingale.

The roll being called the following Supervisors were found to be present:


Absent: Stakel and Nightingale--2.

The Clerk stated the first order of business was the selection of a Chairman pro tem.

On motion of Supervisor Muck, supported by Supervisor
Price and carried unanimously, Supervisor Nicholas was elected Chairman pro tem.

Supervisor Nicholas assumed the Chair and called the attention of the Board to the sickness of Chairman Nightingale and suggested a vote of sympathy be extended the Chairman, together with the hope of his speedy recovery. The Chairman pro tem further suggested that at the annual election in April each year, some provision be made to elect a Vice-Chairman at that time to take over the duties of the duly elected Chairman during his absence or indisposition.

Supervisor Richards moved the reading of the minutes be dispensed with. Supported by Supervisor Nardi and carried.

Bev City, requesting the Board to consider the purchase of live traps for stray dogs, was read. On motion of Supervisor Perkins, supported by Supervisor Perring and carried, the communication was filed.

A communication from K. I. Sawyer, Superintendent of the Marquette County Road Commission, stating that the request submitted last month for conveyance of a portion of land in the SE 1/2 of NW 1/4 Section 21, 48-26 from the Park Committee to the Marquette County Road Commission was in error as the Marquette County Road Commission was already in possession of the property, was read. Supervisor Muck moved the communication be filed. Supported by Supervisor Danielson and carried.

A request from Edward J. Anthony, of Ishpeming, Michigan, for a position as Director of Relief for Marquette County in the new Welfare set up, was read. Supervisor Perring moved the communication be received and passed on to the New Welfare Committee. Supported by Supervisor Jerstad and carried.

A communication from L. N. Jones, Regional Supervisor of the Department of Conservation, citing the agreement between the County and the Department for employment of Frank Krieg on land trespass work at an expense to the County of only 50.00 a month, the balance of salary and expenses to be paid by the Conservation Department, and urgent continuation of the same, was read. On motion of Supervisor Mongrain, supported by Supervisor Grubb, the request was carried by the following Yeas and Nays vote:


Nays: None.

A communication from Alexander Holm of the Finnish Evangelical Lutheran Church of Pelkie, Michigan, requesting damages by County snow plows to lawn fence enclosing their property together with attached statement for 250.00, was read. Supervisor Wm. J. Wiseman moved the request be referred to the Highways and Bridges Committee and the Marquette County Road Commission. Supported by Supervisor Muck and carried.

A communication from the Clerk of the Superintendents of the Poor, stating that no action be taken at this time on the communication from eleven licensed Bedlamers and Funeral Directors of Marquette County, referred to it at the last meeting, as such action might embarrass the New Welfare Board which goes in affect November 1,1939, was read. There being no discussion the Chairman ordered the communication filed.

A communication from J. E. Hayden, Secretary of the Marquette County War Relief Trustees, stating the acceptance of the resignation of Mr. F. W. Phelps as a member of such Board of Trustees and recommending that Everett Bjork, of Prineetown, Michigan, be named to succeed Mr. Phelps, was read. Supervisor VanRiper moved Mr. Bjork be nominated to replace Mr. Phelps and that the nomination be laid on the table till the next meeting. Supported by Supervisor Rose. No discussion the Chairman ordered the motion carried.

The report of the Auditing Committee was read. On motion of Supervisor VanRiper, supported by Supervisor Nardi, the report was adopted by the following Yeas and Nays vote:


Nays: None.

The following report and attached resolution of the Park Committee and the Marquette County Road Commission, was read. Supervisor Muck moved the report as read be adopted. Supported by Supervisor Allen and carried by the following Yeas and Nays vote:

Honorable Board of Supervisors,
Marquette County, Michigan.

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on County Parks and the Board of County Road Commissioners report:

In the matter of acting as sponsors for the construction of a seaplane base which was the subject matter of a communication received by your Board at the last meeting and referred for joint action. Your Committee on County Parks and the Road Commission has considered the matter and report, that we feel it is not at this time desirable to forward the use of Lake Independence as a seaplane base.

But as Lake Michigama has already been approved as suitable for a seaplane base, and there exist in the Village of Michigama, several suitable sites for mooring a landing float; and further because a float situated at one of these points would be usable for landing launches and other craft and very desirable for such a seaplane base, therefore we recommend that Marquette County co-operate in creating a seaplane base on Lake Michigama in the Village of Michigan.

Your joint Committee recommends that the attached resolution covering this matter be adopted by the Board of Supervisors.

Yours truly,
Board of County Road Commissioners,
By K. I. Sawyer, Supt.
Committee on County Parks,
H. G. Buck, Chairman.
Thomas Cribble,
Paul VanRiper,
T. J. Nicholas,
Thos. C. Prize,
Charles T. Beaudry,
H. E. Perkins,
Alfred A. Allen,
Wilfred Toussignant.

WHEREAS, The National Youth Administration in conjunction with the Civil Aeronautics Authority is undertaking the building of seaplane bases at suitable locations to facilitate the landing of seaplanes.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the County of Marquette will furnish and pay for materials necessary for the construction of one section of a seaplane float to be approximately 10 feet by 22 feet, and built according to the established government specifications, for Lake Michigama, to be situated at the Village of Michigan, and

FURTHER, That the County Airport Committee be instructed to co-operate with the proper State and Federal Authorities and to make and carry out all arrangements necessary for carrying out the intent of this resolution, and

That the Board of Supervisors appropriate not to exceed $500.00 to cover the cost thereof, and

FURTHER, that the Clerk be instructed to forward a copy herof to Mr. Crin W. Kay, State Administrator of the National Youth Administration, at Lansing, Mich.

The following report of the County Airport Committee was read, after which it was ordered filed by the Chairman.

Honorable Board of Supervisors,
Marquette County, Michigan.

Gentlemen:—Your County Airport Committee held an organization meeting on September 12th, 1939, at which time Mr. E. G. Buck was elected Chairman of the Committee.

Your Committee has appointed Mr. K. I. Sawyer as Superintendent for the Committee to serve at a salary of $1.00 per year and to carry on the business of the Airport Committee in the same manner as he had heretofore carried on this business for the Board of Park Trustees, and your Committee has further adopted a resolution transmitted to you under other cover for presentation at your October meeting and having to do with the budget for the ensuing year.

In the matter of budget for the next ensuing year it should be pointed out to your Board, that it has been the customary practice to allow the Board of Park Trustees an amount of money equal to 1/4 mill on the County valuation each year and that this money has been used for the support of both the Parks and the Airport, but that now because of statutory provisions the Airport budget must be separate from the Park budget and handled by the Airport Committee and the combined Park and Airport budgets must not exceed this 1/4 mill.

The Airport Committee and Park Trustees have co-operated in making their recommendations and we would call your attention to the fact, that the recommendations made by the Park Trustees for a budget for Park purposes when added to the recommendations which we have made for Airport purposes, equal the same 1/4 mill tax which heretofore been granted for the two purposes.

Yours truly,
K. I. Sawyer, Superintendent.

The following report of the Special Welfare Committee was read. After a great deal of discussion and argument, it was moved by Supervisor VanRiper that the report as read be adopted and the Committee discharged. Supported by Supervisor Perkins and carried by the following Yeas and Nays vote:
September 20, 1939


Not Voting: Nicholas--1.

Nays: None.

To the Honorable Chairman and County Board of Supervisors:

Your Special Committee appointed to study and make recommendations in connection with the so-called Welfare Bills under Senate Enrolled Act No.157, Senate Enrolled Act No. 142 and Senate Enrolled Act No. 162, respectfully make the following recommendations:

We recommend that Marquette County adopt the dual, rather than the integrated system. That means that we believe, because of the size of the County, and the magnitude of the work involved, that there should be two executive heads instead of one, to guide and to plan and to look after the welfare of the people of the County. We recommend therefore, that the County Department of Social Welfare after its organization, choose a Director who shall be in charge of all of the Welfare and Relief work in the County, other than that which falls under the scope of the Social Security Act, under the supervision of the Bureau of Social Aid. The State Social Welfare Commission will appoint a Supervisor of the Bureau of Social Aid, because a portion of the funds that he will have charge of are allocated to the County by the State and Federal Government, and the Supervisor of the Bureau of Social Aid must, of necessity be able to qualify under the rules and regulations established by the Federal Government.

Since the State Department of Social Welfare will appoint the Supervisor of the Bureau of Social Aid, and having further recommended that the County Department of Social Welfare appoint a Director to look after the general relief program, hospitalization, etc., we advise that the County Board of Supervisors choose a Policy Making Board to be known as the County Department of Social Welfare.

Because of the magnitude of the problems involved, we believe, and we understand that there are many other counties sharing the same view, that the entire relief program in this County can most ably and properly be looked after by a Committee of three outstanding citizens of the County. We believe that this Board of citizen members, that we choose to call our Policy Making Board, should not include the Director of the Supervisor of Social Aid, because we feel that this group of three outstanding citizens should act in an advisory capacity and as directors over the welfare work.

The County Board of Supervisors should clearly understand that once they have chosen their two representatives for the County Department of Social Welfare, one for a period of three years, and one for a period of two years, that these two individuals together with the person chosen by the State, have the right under the Welfare Act to take charge of all forms of relief, that they can adopt their own rules and regulations, providing that they do not conflict with the rules and regulations made by the State Department of Social Welfare and provided again, that no rules or regulations conflict with the provisions of the Social Security Act covering that portion of the relief program that will be handled by the Bureau of Social Aid.

Because of this fact that this new County Department is given broad general powers, we believe that the County Board of Supervisors will co-operate fully with the County Board of Supervisors if we choose a Policy Making Board.

Further, despite the fact that the State Welfare Bill does not make it mandatory to choose a non-partisan Board, nevertheless, your Committee feels that because the State Department of Social Welfare is non-partisan, that the County Board of Supervisors should fall in line and also create a non-partisan County Board.

After the County Department of Social Welfare has been organized, we recommend that the Board of Supervisors suggest to them that every effort be made in the choosing of the personnel, to avoid duplication of expense. Having recommended the adoption of the dual system, we believe, however, that maximum economy can be effected if the Case Work Department, for instance, is so chosen that a case worker making investigations for the Director, has the necessary qualifications to make investigations for the Supervisor of the Bureau of Social Aid. In other words, we recommend as far as possible, that the two departments overlap their activities so as to eliminate as much duplication of field work as possible.

We also recommend that after November 1st, when the new setup becomes operative, that the Budget and Executive Committee continue to function as they have in the past, by having monthly meetings with the new County Department of Social Welfare, and that at these meetings complete statement be presented to the Committee covering expenditures for the previous month, and that the Committee be empowered by the Board to appropriate monies from the General Fund for relief. This is merely following the procedure that the Budget and Executive Committee now utilizes each month in making appropriations to the Emergency Relief Commission.

We recommend further, that under Section 46 of the Act, that the members of the County Department or County Board of Social Welfare, be re-imbursed for necessary traveling expenses, and a rate of $5.00 per diem, similar to the rate now paid to the Board of Supervisors. In other words, $5.00 per diem, and five cents per mile.

We recommend further, that in order to get all forms of relief and hospitalization under the control of the new County Department of Social Welfare, a request be made to the Probate Court to follow the provisions of sub-sections H, I and J of Sections 55 of Senate Act No. 157. Compliance with this request would make it possible to have all investigations pertaining to dependent, neglected and delinquent
Furthermore, a request from the Probate Court to the new Department of Social Welfare

Children and wayward minors now made by the County Welfare Agent to come under the jurisdiction of the new County Department of Social Welfare would make it possible to assist other departments, agencies and institutions of the Federal, State and County governments in performing services in connection with the purpose of this Act.

Furthermore, under sub-Section J, the new County Department if so requested, could assist in the development of sound programs and standards of child welfare. They could promote programs and policies looking toward the betterment of dependent children. To put it in other words, your Committee believes that inasmuch as the Judge of Probate has expressed a desire frequently to have all of these extraneous matters not pertaining to the regular functions of the Probate Court removed from his office, we now believe that under the new Welfare Act it is possible to have the inspection and the placing of dependent, neglected and delinquent children as well as wayward minors and other duties performed by the Welfare Agent, come within the scope of the new Department of Social Welfare service, subject to approval of the Judge of Probate.

We further recommend that because of the long service rendered the County by the members of the County Poor Commission and the County Emergency Welfare Relief Commission, that the presiding Chairman of the Board of Supervisors at this meeting, choose a Committee of three, including himself, to draw up suitable resolutions thanking the various members of these commissions for their untiring and unselfish efforts during their terms of office, the same to be spread on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors, and copies of the resolutions be sent to these members.

In keeping with the spirit of the subject matter of this report, and keeping in mind that it has been the general practice to have members of the various County Commissions chosen from the three cities in the County, and also keeping in mind the fact that we believe a non-partisan Board will best serve the interests of the welfare and relief clients, as well as the taxpayers, we recommend that this Board nominate and elect Arthur F. Jacques, of Marquette, Michigan, for the term of three years, and K. L. Sawyer, of Ishpeming, for the term of two years.

Having in mind that the State Commission of Social Welfare have frequently expressed a desire to have the various Boards of Supervisors indicate who might become a desirable third member of the County Commission, but realizing that the appointment of the third member is the privilege and duty of the State Commission, and as we further understand that the State Commission wish to appoint a member satisfactory to the Marquette County Board of Supervisors, therefore, we propose that the appointment of August A. Reilly, of Negaunee, Michigan, would be pleasing to the Marquette County Board of Supervisors, if the State Commission would so appoint that he would become a suitable member.

Further, fully realizing that the appointment of the Supervisor of the Bureau of Social Aid is the privilege and duty of the State Commission, and further realizing that the County Commission are directed under the law to choose the supervisor and Director of the General Relief Program, we would again respectfully propose to the State Commission, and also the County Commission, after its formation, that the appointment of William J. Fountain as Director and Supervisor of the Department of Social Aid, and that the appointment of E. E. Nelson as Supervising Director of the General Relief Program, would be pleasing to the Board, because it would put at the head of these two departments under the Dual System, the two most qualified and experienced men in Marquette County. We would respectfully call attention to both the State Commission, and the future County Commission, that these two men have given their respective commissions and the County, their untiring efforts during the past six years, and we believe that the magnitude of the job involved requires that the best men be chosen to head these two departments.

We further recommend that the new County Commission will be able to function promptly beginning November 1st, and that the Board of Supervisors meet again on October 30th to act upon the recommendations of the County Welfare Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

Chas. J. Staker,
Paul VanSiper,
James A. Jernstad,
H. E. Perkins,
James A. Miller.

The monthly reports of County Treasurer, Superintendents of the Poor, Jail Physician and Red Cross Nurse were read and ordered filed by the Chairman.

The reports of the County Justices of the Peace for fines collected were read and ordered filed by the Chairman.

The report of the Morrison Audit Company of the audit of Justices of the Peace of the County for the two year period ending June 30, 1939, was presented. Supervisor Honigman moved it be referred to the Auditing Committee. Supported by Supervisor Rose and carried.

At this juncture Supervisor Perkins addressed the Board and moved that the Board of Supervisors extend their sympathy to our very worthy Chairman and splendid citizen H. E. Nightingale and express the hope for his speedy recovery and return to his Chair. Supported by Supervisor Danielson and carried unanimously.

The Chairman pro tem then ordered the Clerk to so notify Chairman Nightingale of the resolution.

There being no further business, on motion of Supervisor Buck, supported by Supervisor Jernstad and carried, the Board adjourned until Monday, October 9, 1939 at 9:30 o'clock a.m.
October 9, 1939


The Honorable Board of Supervisors of Marquette County met, pursuant to a call duly made at the Court House in the City of Marquette, on Monday, the 9th day of October, A. D. 1939, at 9:30 o'clock a.m.

The meeting was called to order by the Clerk in the absence of Chairman Nightingale.

The roll being called, the following Supervisors were found to be present:


Absent: Nightingale—1.

The Clerk stated the first order of business was the selection of a Chairman pro tem.

On motion of Supervisor Mongrain, supported by Supervisor Nicholas and carried unanimously, Supervisor VanRiper was elected Chairman pro tem.

The Chairman ordered the Clerk to read the minutes of the previous meeting and after such reading ordered the minutes approved as read.

The following communication from M. C. Spencer of the Agricultural Society, was read. Supervisor Gribble moved the incumbent supervisors from the precincts noted in the communication be appointed for a term of three years. Supported by Supervisor Ghirardi and carried.

Mr. Lloyd LeVasseur, County Clerk,
Marquette, Michigan.

Dear Sir:—This is to advise you that the following Supervisors' term of office of Directors of the Marquette County Agricultural Society expire with the year 1939.

H. S. Nightingale, Negaunee
Joseph Yelle, Sands Twp.
Edward G. Muck, Minong Twp.
Matt Annala, Tilden Twp.
Sol Wiseman, West Branch Twp.
Evert Laine, Turin Twp.
John Weiland, Marquette Twp.

Will you kindly advise me of the action taken by the Board of Supervisors with reference to the above named Directors.

Respectfully yours,
Marquette County Agricultural Society,
M. C. Spencer, Secy.

A communication from Wm. H. Fox, Divisional Commander of the Salvation Army for the Wisconsin and Upper Michigan Division, requesting aid for the Martha Washington Home and Maternity Hospital of Milwaukee County, was read. Supervisor Mongrain moved the communication be received and placed on file. Supported by Supervisor Allen and carried.

At this point Supervisor Stakel offered a blanket motion to refer all communications with reference to appropriations to the Finance and Taxation Committee. Supported by Supervisor Lindstrom and carried.

Marquette County Board,
Marquette, Michigan.

Attention: Lloyd LeVasseur, Co.Clerk

Gentlemen:—On behalf of the Upper Peninsula Development Bureau I am asking the Marquette County Board for an appropriation of $1,000.00—$500.00 to cover the cost of a full page of advertising in our 1940 Lure Book and the balance as a contribution to the Bureau. I think that the county page in our 1939 Lure Book could be run again with our new color scheme and have a brand new appeal to the tourist. However, if you would come some changes in the cuts that will be quite satisfactory to us.

Herewith attached you will find a folder descriptive of our 1940 book and setting forth somewhat in detail the nature of our advertising—plus publicity, plus service—program which we believe is building up tourist patronage to the Upper Peninsula. With our new color scheme for 1940 and other detailed changes in the book, we believe it will be the best publication ever issued setting forth the fantasie appeal of this north country.

In spite of general business conditions and the competition of two world's fairs it is conceded that down state and out of state patronage to the Upper Peninsula has equaled that of the 1938 season, though possibly the cash monies spent by tourists and resorters in our region is less than that of last year. I need not point out to you that the volume of new cash dollars brought into the Upper Peninsula from our
tourist guests is sizable and worthwhile, and that each year our own local people are making sizable investments in property in order to provide cabins, cottages, hotels, eating houses, and facilities for housing, feeding and entertaining the ever-growing volume of tourists.

Entirely from the standpoint of good economics it seems but logical that the Upper Peninsula should continue its program of advertising in order to meet the competitors. Hence may I respectfully request that your Board of Supervisors at their annual meeting make the appropriation above requested to be paid at your convenience sometime during the year 1940.

Thanking you for your co-operation in the past, I am

Very truly yours,
Upper Peninsula Development Bureau.
Geo. E. Bishop, Sec'y-Manager.

Upper Peninsula Development Bureau of Michigan

Marquette County Board,
Marquette, Michigan.
Attention: Lloyd LeVasseur, Co. Clerk.
Gentlemen: What is the value in dollars and cents of this great industry -- which we call the Tourist and Resort Industry -- to Michigan, to the various counties and to its citizens? This is a question often raised and doubtless expresses the thought of some of your members.

To answer that question I am herewith attaching some statistical information that is taken from the files and records of the state and from other authentic sources which reveal only a part of the magnitude of the Tourist and Resort industry and points out who benefits therefrom and to what extent.

May I ask your consideration of this information when the matter of finances for the Development Bureau is brought before you at your Annual Meeting.

Very truly yours,
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The Tourist Dollar in Michigan, Michigan's Second Industry. The following figures are from a survey made by the United States Government and from reports of Michigan State College as supplied to us by a member of the faculty.

A sum in excess of Three Hundred Fifteen Million Dollars is spent annually in Michigan by out-state automobile tourists.

Traffic by railroad, bus, boat and airplane raise this total to Three Hundred Seventy Million Dollars. New money brought into and spent within the state.

Out-state motor vehicles pay directly to the state over Three Million One Hundred Thirty-five Thousand Dollars in gas tax and each county gets a share.

Out-state anglers pay the state Two Hundred Forty-Two Thousand Seven Hundred Ten Dollars and fifty cents.

Out-state hunters pay the state Twenty Thousand Three Hundred Fifty-Five Dollars for licenses.

The tourist spends One Hundred Thirty-Three Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars in hotel, resort and over-night cabin accommodations.

Out-state tourists owning their own summer homes in Michigan spent One Hundred Thirty-Three Million Five Hundred and Seventy Thousand Dollars.

The balance of the tourists stay with friends, camp, travel through Michigan, etc.

The Michigan farmer is vitally interested in this tourist industry -- out-state tourists pay him over One Million Six Hundred Thousand Dollars for milk alone.

They consume seven and one-third million dozen eggs and pay the Michigan farmer One Million Seven Hundred and Sixty Thousand Dollars.

Michigan farmers furnish nine million seven hundred and ninety-two pounds of beef, and one million three hundred and twenty-two thousand pounds of veal for the tourist.

Bacon, ham sandwiches, roast pork and other pork products amounting to thirteen million five hundred ninety-eight thousand pounds are consumed by the visitors to Michigan.

For mutton and lamb the out-state tourist pays the farmer for one million three hundred and five thousand pounds.

The Michigan farmer's cow has another job -- she must produce for the out-state visitor each year in excess of three and a half million pounds of butter.

The out-state tourist calls upon the Michigan farmer for four million seven hundred and seventeen pounds of chickens, ducks, geese, turkeys.

From the farmer's fields the out-state tourist demands: 23,000 bushels of tomatoes; 503,436 bushels of potatoes; 25,900 crates of celery; 745 tons of cabbage, and other thousands of bushels of carrots, beets, beans, squash, sweet corn, crates of lettuce etc.

From the fruit farmer the out-state visitor buys: 233,000 bushels of apples, 40,900 bushels of peaches, 21,746 bushels of pears, 12,400 bushels of plums, 233,700 pounds of sweet cherries, 217,790 pounds of sour cherries, 20,073 crates of strawberries, 442 tons of grapes. Plus the blueberries, raspberries, blackberries and other small fruits.

Along every highway in Michigan the farmer can, and does, contact the out-state tourist direct -- selling him fruits and vegetables, poultry and dairy products, canned goods and other Farm products.
Office of the Circuit Court

Mr. Lloyd LeVasseur,
Clerk of Board of Supervisors,
Marquette, Michigan.

Dear Sirs: The superintendent of Good Will Farm has asked me to present the inclosed letter to the Board of Supervisors at the Annual meeting next Monday.

If the Board renew the practice of making contributions to charitable institutions then I cheerfully recommend the Good Will Farm as most worthy of a generous contribution.

Sincerely,
Frank A. Bell.

Good Will Farm
Houghton, Michigan

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors,

Gentlemen:

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County Commissioner of Schools, Marquette County, Michigan.

--General Administration--

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Stenographer's salary ........................................... $ 1,050.00
This item should be increased to $1,110.00 in keeping with the ruling of the Board of Supervisors at the last Annual Meeting.

Special clerical help ........................................... 60.00

Office Supplies:
New equip't. (new typewriter) .................................. 80.00
Stationery, stamps and miscellaneous supplies .................. 275.00
Postage ......................................................... 185.00
Telephone and telegrams ....................................... 100.00

Teaching Supplies:
Material for opening schools, attendance reports and Child Accounting forms ......................................... 310.00
Standardized tests ............................................. 185.00

Public Relations Program:
Marquette County School News (8 issues) .................... 228.00

Achievement and Graduation Day:
Diplomas, Honor Award Pins and refreshments ............... 50.00
Professional books and magazines ............................. 50.00

Enforcement of Attendance Laws:
Services of a deputy sheriff when needed ................ 25.00

Expense Accounts:
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To the Honorable Board of Supervisors,
Marquette County, Michigan.

E. MacDougall, Supt.

Yours very respectfully,

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E. MacDougall, Supt.
Special meetings - - - - - - - - - - - - - - 60.00
Visual Education Program:
New sound projector - - - - - $350.00
Screen and accessories - - - - - 125.00
University of Michigan
Film Service Membership
60.00 $355.00

Total Budget Oct. 1, 1939 to
Sept. 30, 1940 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $6,708.00

Respectfully submitted,
Stanley Williams,
County Comm'r. of Schools.

The Michigan Children's Aid Society--U.P. Branch


Mr. Lloyd LeVasseur, Clerk,
Marquette County Board of Supervisors
Marquette, Michigan.

My Dear Mr. LeVasseur: Enclosed is a copy of the letter we are sending on this date to the members of the finance committee of your Board of Supervisors. May we please request that this letter be read and placed at the disposal of the Board at the annual meeting, Monday, October 9?

Thanking you kindly for your assistance, we are,

Sincerely,
Miss Sarah Lewis,
Executive Secretary.

The Michigan Children's Aid Society--U.P. Branch


Marquette County Board of Supervisors
Marquette, Michigan.

Gentlemen: We are submitting herewith a report of the work done in your County by the Michigan Children's Aid Society during the year ending October 1, 1939.

(a) 30 Marquette County children were in licensed boarding homes with board, clothing, medical and dental care provided.
(b) The home conditions of 38 children in 21 different families were investigated and plans made for their protection and care.
(c) 15 foster homes were investigated and approved for adoption and boarding care.
(d) One child was supervised in an adoption home and one child was supervised in his own home.

The gross cost of this service amounted to $7,091.83. Board money refunded by the County, relatives or interested persons amounted to $2,055.39, leaving a net cost to the Society of $5,036.48.

In the light of service rendered to children in your County and in behalf of those children we may be called upon to assist in the coming year, we are asking you for an appropriation of $600. Our request is in accord with Sec. 2528-2620 of the compiled laws of 1929 which are a compilation of Sections 1 & 2 of Act 46, Public Acts of 1926.

Thanking you for your interest and support, we are,

Yours very truly,
Edward S. Rice, Sec.-Treas.

After the reading of the above request, Miss Sarah Lewis, Executive Secretary of the Children's Aid Society, addressed the Board, made a renewed verbal request for an appropriation of $600.00 and gave a detached analysis of the work and program of the Society and also stated that last year most counties paid their appropriation despite the Attorney General's recent ruling on appropriations of this nature.

The Marquette County Historical Society

The Finance Committee,
The Board of Supervisors,
Marquette, Michigan.

Gentlemen: If in the opinion of the Attorney-general relative to appropriations by the county boards of supervisors for certain private agencies, is not construed to apply to this society, the society will be very grateful for an appropriation to assist in its work as in previous years. These appropriations have assisted greatly in our work.

Faithfully yours,
L. A. Chase,
Corresponding Secretary.
October 9, 1939

Board of County Commissioners of Marquette County, Michigan


Honorable Board of Supervisors,
Marquette County, Michigan.

Gentlemen: At a meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners of Marquette County, Michigan, held September 12, 1939, the following resolution was adopted:

"WHEREAS the Board of County Road Commissioners has adopted all township roads, including streets and alleys in unincorporated villages, into the County Road System pursuant to the requirements of Act Number 130, Public Acts of Michigan 1931, and WHEREAS, under the provisions of said Act 130, Marquette County will receive money to assist in the maintenance of these roads adopted because of said act, which sum of money is not now accurately known, but is estimated at $82,555.00,

AND WHEREAS, Section 10 of said Act 130, provides for raising by taxation of such sum of money as shall be necessary in addition to the money received by the County pursuant to this act, so that sufficient money shall be provided for the maintenance of these roads,

AND WHEREAS, it is estimated there will be needed, for the maintenance of the roads, streets and alleys, adopted in to the County Road System pursuant to the requirements of said Act 130, for the next year, the sum of One Hundred Thirty-one Thousand Two Hundred Forty Dollars ($131,240.00) and we estimate that the return of money from the State pursuant to said act to apply thereon will amount to Sixty-two Thousand Five Hundred Fifty-two Dollars ($62,552.00), it will therefore be necessary to raise by taxation the sum of Sixty-eight Thousand Six Hundred Eighty-eight Dollars ($68,688.00) pursuant to the provisions of said Section 10, Act 293, P.A. 1931, to provide the money necessary for the maintenance of such roads.

THEREFORE HE IT RESOLVED, that the amount of money to be raised by taxation, for the next year, pursuant to Section 10, Act 130, Public Acts of Michigan 1931, as amended, and in addition to the money received from general County road purposes which is raised pursuant to Act 293, Public Acts of Michigan 1909, as amended, be fixed at and determined at the sum of Sixty-eight Thousand Six Hundred Eighty-eight Dollars ($68,688.00), such sum to be spread on the assessment rolls of the Townships and Cities of the County, and when collected to be credited to the County Road Fund for use in the maintenance of the roads, streets and alleys adopted into the County Road System because of the provisions of Act 130, Public Acts of Michigan 1931.

Yours respectfully,

Board of County Road Commissioners, Marquette County, Michigan.

By P. B. Spear, Chairman.

Board of County Park Trustees


Honorable Board of Supervisors,
Marquette County, Michigan.

Gentlemen: At a meeting of the Board of Park Trustees of Marquette County, Michigan, held September 12, 1939, the following resolution was adopted:

"RESOLVED, by the Board of Park Trustees of Marquette County, Michigan, that we hereby determine that there is necessary for administration, maintenance and betterments in the County Parks in this County for the next ensuing year the sum of Twelve Thousand One Hundred Sixty-six Dollars ($12,166.00) and based on past experience we believe that there will be revenues of Four Hundred Dollars ($400.00) derived from concessions for the year to apply on such need and that there will be necessary to raise by taxation, for the next year, for the administration, maintenance and betterments of County Parks, the sum of Eleven Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty-six Dollars ($11,766.00), such sum when collected to be credited to the Board of Park Trustees and expended in accordance to the following estimates, to-wit:

Administration, maintenance and betterments of County Parks--$11,766.00")

Yours respectfully,

By P. B. Spear, Chairman.

Board of County Road Commissioners


Honorable Board of Supervisors,
Marquette County, Michigan.

Gentlemen: At a meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners of Marquette County, Michigan, held September 12, 1939, the following resolution was adopted:

"RESOLVED, by the Board of County Road Commissioners of Marquette County, Michigan, that it be and is hereby determined that the amount of tax to be raised in the County Road Fund, pursuant to the provisions of Act 293, Public Acts of Michigan 1909, as amended, in this County, for the year Nineteen Hundred Thirty-nine, and spread on the assessment rolls of the Townships and Cities of the County for said year, be and the same is fixed at and determined at the sum of Thirty-nine Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-six Dollars ($39,486.00), such sum being three-fourths of One Dollar on each One Thousand Dollars of assessed valuation according to the assessment rolls of this County for the last preceding year and such sum being the amount to be raised for County Road purposes as is provided in Act 293 Public Acts of Michigan 1909, as amended, and to be expended in accordance with the following estimate, to-wit:

Administration, maintenance and betterments on roads in the County Road System--$39,486.00"
Honorable Board of Supervisors, Marquette County, Michigan.

Gentlemen: At a meeting of the County Airport Committee held September 12, 1939, the following resolution was adopted:

"RESOLVED by the County Airport Committee of Marquette County, Michigan, that we hereby determine that there is necessary for the maintenance of the Marquette County Airport, for the next year, the sum of Two Thousand and Twenty Dollars ($2020.00), and based on past experience we believe that there will be revenues of Four Hundred Twenty Dollars ($420.00) derived from sales and storage for the year to apply on such need, and that there will be necessary to raise by taxation, to provide for the maintenance of the County Airport, for the next year, the sum of Sixteen Hundred Dollars ($1600.00), such sum to be credited when raised to the County Airport Committee and expended for the administration and maintenance of the Marquette County Airport."

Yours respectfully,

County Airport Committee, Marquette County, Michigan.

By F. B. Spear, Chairman.

Morgan Heights Sanatorium
-Proposed Budget for 1940-

With Complishments Actual for Years 1939 and 1939.

Our report for the last year contained the statement that we had given careful attention to our experience in the preceding year and had made an effort to hold the appropriation requested down to the minimum and called your attention to the fact that the suggested appropriation indicated a reduction of $9,000.00 from the preceding year. We asked you to appropriate the sum of $27,000.00. In your judgment, you decided that it might be possible for us to operate the institution on an appropriation of $28,000 and it was fixed at that sum.

This year we repeat that the amount we are asking you to set aside for the ensuing fiscal year is the result of our experience in the previous years and that we have taken into account all of the factors which were able to estimate. Before you proceed to the examination of the detailed figures which will follow, we will say in a general way, that in the operation of the Sanatorium for the year ending October 1, 1939, the figures, as applicable to the various departments, vary only a few hundred dollars from the amount which we asked you to appropriate. That indicates that our estimates last year were very exact, and we particularly call your attention to the totals shown in the various departments. Consequently, we think you will agree with us that looking at the matter from this angle, the reduction of $2,000 was not justified. In this, we are speaking of the general, regular operation of the Sanatorium.

We now come to the discussion of the budget denominated "Permanent Improvements and Contingencies." For this we requested the sum of $2,650. At your May meeting, when we presented the need of reconstruction of the doctor's residence, you very kindly authorized us to proceed with this work with the understanding that $5,000 would be provided for in this budget and with the understanding that we would be able to finance any amount over that sum. The cost of the reconstruction was approximately $5,800 and, as agreed, we have been able to take care of the difference, amounting to around $1,800. The total expenditures chargeable to the permanent improvements about the institution are approximately $18,000 and, as stated, our budget contained the sum of $5,650. In other words, we financed $9,350 more than we asked for, less, of course, the $5,000 which was agreed to at the May meeting.

Included in this sum of approximately $18,000 is about $1,300 which we felt necessary to spend on grounds of a major emergency. Within the last few months, it has happened that both electrical systems which are connected with the institution (City of Marquette and Michigan Gas and Electric Company) were down, due to severe storms. The institution was accordingly without heat, light and cooking facilities, in one instance, for about 26 hours. We deemed it most unwise to take the chance of a further occurrence and, hence, have installed an auxiliary unit, powered by a gasoline engine which we believed to be of ample size to take care of the institution's needs until repairs are made to the regular circuits. This purchase was made after consultation with the leading electrical authorities of the county. The other items which are taken care of in this category, in the main consist of insulation, major changes in the operating room, including a new anesthetics machine, additional beds, etc., for the post-operative rooms and some additional furniture for the doctor's residence.

This year we are asking for a sum of $9,500 for permanent improvements and contingencies. You can break this figure down in this way: reconstruction of doctor's residence $8,500; miscellaneous $1,000; fund for new X-ray machine, $2,000.00.

It is our firm belief that a new X-ray machine will be required within the next few months. As you know, the use of an X-ray machine is of the utmost importance in the diagnosis and treatment of tuberculosis. The machine which we have has been in use ever since the Sanatorium was built and has developed several dangerous tendencies. We have had it inspected by an expert who gives it very definitely a short lease of life. We hope that it might be possible to purchase the machine within the next few months and, in including only this sum of $9,500 with the full realization that it probably is less than 40 per cent of the cost of a new machine. We have thought, however, that we must provide for a start in this year's budget with the hope that arrangements might be made with the manufacturer to pay the remainder of the cost out of
October 9, 1939

next year's budget. The cost of the machine, to a certain extent, depends upon the course
of the European war, the outcome of which is a contingency that cannot be foreboded. At
any rate, we feel that this purchase must be faced now and that we are justified in in-
cluding the sum mentioned to be appropriated at this time.

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Total Care of Patients - $23,469.98 | $25,527.97 | $25,000.00

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Total Dietary - $23,799.95 | $24,070.08 | $25,700.00

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Total General Operation - $20,929.48 | $21,354.60 | $23,000.00

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Total Grounds - $1,534.94 | $1,412.56 | $1,500.00

TOTAL EXPENSE - $74,543.75 | $77,506.13 | $81,500.00

Permanent improvements and contingencies - $9,500.00

Estimated Revenues:

State Aid and miscellaneous receipts - $91,000.00

APPROPRIATION FROM COUNTY - $46,000.00

Respectfully submitted,

Robert F. Berry, M.D., Superintendent.

Approved:

S. Sherman Collins, Chairman.
Wilfrid S. Picotte, M.D., Secretary.
Ernest L. Pearce, Treasurer.
Board of Trustees.
Mr. Lloyd LeVasseur,  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors,  
Marquette County, Michigan.

Dear Sir: The time is not far distant when, as provided in Section 1150 of the Compiled Laws of Michigan, 1939, the Boards of Supervisors of the various counties will meet in their annual October session, for the consideration of the budgets in the counties for the ensuing year.

We are hereby notifying the Board of Supervisors in each county of the provisions under the new social welfare legislation regarding their relief expenditures in order that these items may be included in their annual county budget. Section 45 of Act 280 of the Public Acts of Michigan, 1939, provides that the Board of Supervisors in each county shall provide suitable office accommodations, equipment and supplies. Section 70 of Act 280 of the Public Acts of Michigan, 1939, provides as follows: "The County Board of Supervisors shall, within its discretion, make such appropriations as are necessary to maintain the various welfare services within the county, as provided in this Act, and to defray the cost of administration of these services." Act 404 of the Public Acts of 1939, provides that hospitalization of affiliated adults shall be ordered by the county department of social welfare at the expense of the county.

Section 18 of Act 280 of the Public Acts of Michigan, 1939, provides, that expenditures of local funds for general public relief shall be supplemented with state funds, exclusive of administrative expenses and hospitalization of affiliated adults. A copy of the opinion from the Attorney General’s office is attached.

We request that the county clerk acknowledge receipt of this notice by return mail and convey this information to the Board of Supervisors at their annual meeting. It is also requested that you send to this Commission a copy of your county’s annual budget immediately after the October meeting, in order that we may know how much money is being appropriated locally in each county for welfare purposes.

Respectfully yours,  
Michigan Social Welfare Commission,  
By Walter F. Gries, Chairman.

State of Michigan  
Office of the Attorney General  

Mr. Walter F. Gries, Chairman,  
State Social Welfare Commission,  
Lansing, Michigan.

Dear Sir: This will acknowledge receipt of your memorandum of August 8th, together with your recent letter of August 11th. You ask whether or not the Act, in providing that the State Commission shall send to each county an amount of money not less than the amount the county spends out of its own funds for general public relief, does this mean medical and hospital expense, or does it mean for food, shelter, etc.?

In every matter of interpretation it is necessary to take into consideration Section 18 of said Act, and for a positive interpretation thereof, it is requisite that the three items be read together in order to have a clear understanding of the intent of the Legislature. This section says that the commission shall provide for the distribution of such moneys as appropriated by the Legislature with reference to the following facts:

1. Need for relief as demonstrated by experience of the respective counties during the preceding 1 year.
2. The financial resources of the respective counties.
3. The amount expended by the respective county departments exclusive of state and federal funds during the preceding 1 year; Provided, however, that the state funds distributed to any county, city or district department of social welfare for any month shall not be less than the amount expended by such department for general public relief, exclusive of state and federal funds during the preceding month.

It is not conceivable that the commission would be able to make any sound determination of the amount to be distributed to each county unless the facts coming under each one of these sections is fully presented and then all read and studied as a unit.

The distribution of moneys under this act does not include hospitalization, for that service is covered expressly by a recent enactment of the Legislature, namely, Act No. 323 of the Public Acts of 1939. As to whether or not it will be necessary for the commission to appropriate necessary funds for medical attention it is well not only to read Section 18, but also Section 55A and 55K of said Welfare Act. It is said in Section 18 that the commission shall provide for the distribution of moneys appropriated by the Legislature and general public welfare, heretofore known as the unemployment relief or poor relief, including medical care other than hospitalization.

And in subsection (a) or Section 55, we find that one of the duties of the county department is to administer general public relief, etc., again repeating the phrase "including medical care other than hospitalization." The wording "including medical care" is also used in subsection (b) of the same section.

Then in subsection (b) or section 55K, we find medical care defined as: "Medical care as used in this section and subsection (a) and (b) of this section shall be deemed to include home and office attendance by physicians, dental service, optometric, bed-side nursing service in the home, and pharmaceutical service."

An opinion was recently rendered by this department, a copy of which is enclosed, stating that administrative costs for general relief and public welfare must be
paid by the individual counties. In giving this interpretation, it was necessary to read Section 18, together with Section 70. The latter states:

"The board of supervisors shall within its discretion make such appropriations as are necessary to maintain the various welfare services within the county, as provided in this act, and to defray the cost of administration and these services. Provided, that the cost of administration and services financed in whole or in part by federal funds shall be paid from such funds."

From the very wording of the language of the act, it therefore must be determined that the county, district or city, whichever the case may be, shall be responsible solely for the administrative costs necessary to maintain the various welfare services, except those services financed in whole or in part by federal funds, in which case they shall be paid from such funds.

In the matter of matching funds, the amount the county spends for general welfare relief (such as food, shelter, etc.) and the amount the county spends for medical care other than hospitalization, shall be considered by the State Social Welfare Commission.

Therefore, it is necessary in the interpretation of the act, in order to obtain a proper meaning, that Section 18 be read as a whole in determining the distribution of the appropriation for public relief and welfare, and that the administrative costs for such services must be paid by the individual county, district or city rendering the services in that area as provided by the act.

Trusting this answers your inquiries, we are,

Yours very truly,
Thomas Reed, Attorney General.
Deputy Attorney General.

State of Michigan
Social Welfare Commission
September 21, 1939.

Mr. Lloyd LeVasseur,
Clerk of County Board of Supervisors,
Marquette County, Michigan.

Dear Mr. LeVasseur: The State Social Welfare Commission again wishes to call to the attention of your Board of Supervisors certain county obligations resulting from Act 260 of the Public Acts of 1929 (the new welfare law). It is necessary for the County Board of Supervisors to act up in its budget funds sufficient to meet the entire administrative costs of the County Social Welfare Board. (2) To appropriate the funds which the Board of Supervisors in its judgment estimates are needed for direct relief purposes of the county for the ensuing fiscal year.

The State Commission, in making allocations of state relief funds to the county welfare board, must under Section 18 of the Act consider the financial resources of the county. As a result the State Commission will study the amount appropriated for relief to the County Social Welfare Board as compared to the financial situation of the county when it makes state welfare allocations.

Under Section 48 of the Act, the State Commission requires the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to send to the Commission a copy of the county's annual budget, immediately after the October meeting.

Beginning with October 1, it will be necessary, as a routine procedure, for every county to submit to the State Commission the monthly trial balance and other pertinent financial data to guide the State Commission in making its monthly distribution of funds. If county budgets and other necessary monthly data are not promptly received it may delay the release of relief funds to the counties.

Very truly yours,
Walter F. Gries, Chairman,

State of Michigan
Auditor General's Department

Marquette County Board of Supervisors,

Lloyd LeVasseur, Clerk
Marquette, Michigan.

Gentlemen: The attention of your Board is respectfully called to certain changes in the General Tax Law requiring additional services from the county treasurers of the respective counties of Michigan. Also, your attention is respectfully called to the provisions of the so-called State Land Office Board Act, as well as to certain requirements which will follow the establishment of county welfare units throughout the State.

The Auditor General is anxious that county treasurers and county clerks be provided with sufficient clerical help to enable them to perform the duties required of them in a manner satisfactory and in conformity with the General Uniformity Act. While the acts in question give the Auditor General broad power and authority in insisting upon certain standards, yet it is not his desire to be at all autocratic in this respect. It is confidently believed that every county official and every board of supervisors will recognize that all of these changes are in the interest of general efficiency and economy and that every county will provide itself with the actual and necessary assistance to meet the requirements of the statutes.

Your attention, therefore, is called specifically to the following:

1. Hereafter the county treasurer will prepare from his own records the list of properties to be offered for sale at the Annual May tax sale. Some extra clerical help may be required to assure completion of the work within the time specified by law. The statutes provide for reimbursement by the State for actual and necessary expense.

2. Provisions of the State Land Office Board Act place other added duties and
responsibilities upon the county treasurer. Again, the State will reimburse the county for such added and necessary expense.

3. Because no duplicate set of tax records will hereafter be kept at the State Capitol it will be imperative that counties exercise every precaution to guard tax records against destruction by fire. If fireproof vaults are not now provided, your earnest consideration of the possibility of providing them is urged.

4. Administration of the home rule provisions of the New Welfare laws requires accurate accounting of all Federal, State, and County funds. Your county welfare unit should be provided with proper accounting forms and records as well as with adequate clerical assistance.

The cooperation of all county boards of supervisors in these respects is respectfully solicited. In return the facilities of this Department are at the command of all county officials. It is hoped that appropriations made for that purpose by the State Legislature will be adequate to meet all actual added expense required of the counties.

Very respectfully yours,

Vorman J. Brown,
Auditor General.

State of Michigan
Auditor General's Department

Harry S. Nightingale, Chairman
Marquette County Board of Supervisors,
M'queene, Michigan

Dear Sir:

Many times county officials find themselves in the embarrassing position of pleading their own causes before a board of supervisors, the members of which are, to say the least, skeptical of the necessity for the assistance sought.

The purpose of this letter is to prepare the way for better understanding of certain difficulties confronting your county treasurer. Recent changes made by the Michigan Legislature covering procedure under the General Tax Laws require added duties from county officials, especially the county treasurer. Your attention is respectfully called to a few of these added duties and increased responsibilities:

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