January 7, 1981

The Marquette County Board of Commissioners met as regular and organizational meeting on January 7, 1981 at 7:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Room of the Courthouse Annex.

Roll was called by County Clerk Henry A. Siskis and the roll recorded. All commissioners had been sworn in with Oath of office prior to January 1, 1981.

Present: Comm. Carlson, Cheatham, Judici, LaMere, LaPin, Leone, Lowe, May, Racine, Steele, Villeneuve and Farrell.

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

It was moved by Comm. Racine, supported by Comm. Lowe and carried that the minutes of the Dec. 17, 1980 and Dec. 30, 1980 meeting of the Board of Commissioners be approved as corrected.

Item 9-E-6, appointments to the Zoning Board of Appeals was added to the agenda. It was moved by Comm. Leone, supported by Comm. Farrell and carried that the agenda be approved.

County Clerk, Henry A. Siskis opened the meeting for nominations for County Board Chairperson and appointed Comm. May and Comm. Carlson as tellers. Comm. Racine nominated Comm. Farrell and asked that an unanimous ballot be cast for Comm. Farrell, the nomination and motion was supported by Comm. Judici. No further nominations were made. A motion was made by Comm. Racine, supported by Comm. Leone and carried that a roll call vote be taken on the original motion. Roll call was held and the vote was unanimous that Comm. Farrell be named Chairperson of the County Board for 1981.

Chairperson Farrell thanked the county board for their support and proceeded to call for election of a Vice Chairperson. Comm. Carlson nominated Comm. Joseph Racine as Vice Chairperson and moved that an unanimous ballot be cast for Comm. Racine, the motion was supported by Comm. Leone and carried on a roll call vote.

It was moved by Comm. Judici, supported by Comm. May and unanimously carried on a roll call vote that the county board go into a Committee of the Whole session.

Rules of Order of Marquette County Board of Commissioners were discussed. After discussion, it was moved by Comm. Judici, supported by Comm. Carlson and carried that the Committee of the Whole recommend to the county board that present rule #37 be deleted as it is covered in the other rules.

A discussion was held on adding a new rule that would explain appointments to the various boards and commissions. It was moved by Comm. Farrell, supported by Comm. May and carried that the Committee of the Whole recommend to the county board that this new rule be adopted and added to the Rules of Order of the county board.

Comm. Racine, suggested the policy of having county board of Commissioners meetings last no more than three hours. Chairperson Farrell will look into that possibility.

It was agreed that at the time of the setting of the meeting dates of Finance Committee's budget study meeting, that it be recommended that these budget study meetings be Committee of the Whole meetings so that information on the needs of each budget would be available to all commissioners.

It was moved by Comm. May, supported by Comm. Leone and carried that the Committee of the Whole recommend to the county board that regular meetings of the County Board of Commissioners be held on the first and third Wednesday of each month and that the annual meeting be held on October 13, 1981.
It was moved by Comm. Juidici, supported by Comm. May and carried that the Committee of the Whole recommend to the county board that the Committee of the Whole meetings be held on the fourth Wednesday of the month except in the month of November, no meeting will be held.

Chairperson Farrell named Comm. Farrell, May, Racine and Juidici as a Committee on Committees to meet on Friday Jan. 9, 1981 at 4:00 p.m. to select persons to serve on the sub-committees.

Chairperson Farrell named Berle LaPin to serve on the Solid Waste Management Committee.

It was moved by Comm. Carlson, supported by Comm. Juidici and carried to recommend that the Comprehensive Employment Training Act (CETA) be transferred from the Executive Committee to the Personnel Committee.

It was moved by Comm. Juidici, supported by Comm. Leone and carried unanimously on a roll call vote that the Committee of the Whole come out of session.

It was moved by Comm. Racine and carried that the county board concur with the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and eliminate Rule #37 of the rules of order, renumber those rules after Rule #36 and add a new rule at the end regarding the method of filling vacancies and making appointments to the various boards and commissions.

It was moved by Comm. Racine, supported by Comm. Juidici and carried that the county board concur with the Committee of the Whole recommendation and CETA be transferred from the Executive Committee to the Personnel Committee.

It was moved by Comm. LaPin, supported by Comm. Juidici and carried that the county board concur with the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and make the Finance Committee's budget hearing meetings, Committee of the Whole meetings to provide a wider spread of information.

It was moved by Comm. Leone, supported by Comm. Villeneuve and carried that the county board concur with the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and set the regular meetings of the Board of Commissioners as the first and third Wednesday of each month and that the month of October also have the Annual meeting scheduled for October 13, 1981, that the Committee of the Whole regular meetings be held on the fourth Wednesday of the month with the exception of November, when there will be no Committee of the Whole meeting.

A communication from William Pietila, Supervisor of Richmond Township regarding use of the dog runs at the Animal Shelter, was read. A lengthy discussion was held on the dog problem. Cindy Fassbender and Bob Spencer of the Humane Society and Louis Morris, representing Richmond Township Police were present to be a part of the discussion. The discussion was directed to the meaning of the phrase "for county use". It was moved by Comm. Carlson, supported by Comm. Leone and carried that the Richmond Township letter be referred to the Intergovernmental Relations Committee for study and discussion.

A letter of resignation of James W. Aylward from the Building Code Board of Appeals, was read and placed on file. The resignation was accepted with regret. It was moved by Comm. Lowe, supported by Comm. LaMere and carried that the county board suspend rule #39 and take applications until Feb. 4, 1981 and make nominations and appointments on Feb. 18, 1981.

A letter of resignation of Neil W. Carlson from the Marquette County Road Commission, was read. It was accepted with deep regret and Comm. Carlson was commended for his excellent service to that board. It was moved by Comm. Comm. Leone, supported by Comm. LaPin and carried that the county board suspend rule #39 and take applications until Feb. 4, 1981 and make nominations and appointments on Feb. 18, 1981.
The county board took under consideration, application for the Board of Health. It was moved by Comm. May, supported by Comm. Racine and carried that Janet Sonaglia of Marquette and Mark McFadyen of Marmont be nominated and that the appointment to this position on the Board of Health be made at the Jan. 21, 1981 county board meeting.

Chairperson Farrell called for a roll call vote to fill the position of Commission on Aging (Senior Citizen Category) the candidates nominated were Leonard Santi of Ishpeming and William Hampton of Champion. Mr. Leonard Santi received 9 votes, Mr. Hampton received 3 votes. Mr. Santi was declared appointed to the Commission on Aging for an unexpired term ending Dec. 31, 1981.

Chairperson Farrell called for a roll call vote for a position on the Commission on Aging. The candidates and number of votes received were:

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Mr. Robert Mercure of Republic was declared appointed to the Commission on Aging for an unexpired term ending Dec. 31, 1981.

Chairperson Farrell called for a roll call vote for appointment to the Social Services Board. The candidates and the number of votes received were as follows. On the first vote, no candidate received a majority of the vote cast, so a second roll call vote was necessary.

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<td>Gwen Dawson</td>
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Gwen Dawson of Republic having received eight votes on the second roll call was declared appointed to the Social Services Board for a three year term ending Dec. 31, 1983.

Chairperson Farrell called for a roll call vote for a position on the Library Board. Candidates and the number of votes received were as follows. No one received a majority on the first vote and a second roll call vote was taken.

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<td>Ronald D. Keefe</td>
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Ronald D. Keefe of Marquette received the highest number of votes and was declared appointed to the Library Board for a five year term ending Dec. 31, 1985.

Chairperson Farrell called for a roll call vote for positions on the Airport Zoning Board of Appeals. Candidates and number of votes received for the positions were as follows:

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<td>Clifford Lehto</td>
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It was declared that George Keskimaki and Donald Bogren were appointed to positions on the Airport Zoning Board of Appeals for terms ending Dec. 31, 1982.

Chairperson Farrell called for a roll call vote for a position on the County Board of Institutions. Candidates were John Vidlund of Marquette, Dr. K. Charles Wright of Marquette, and Stanley Uitto of Ishpeming. It was moved by Comm. Lowe, supported by Comm. Cheatham and carried on a roll call vote that an unanimous ballot be cast for Dr. K. Charles Wright for the unexpired term ending Dec. 31, 1981.

Ayes: Comm. Carlson, Cheatham, Judd, LaMere, Lanin, Lowe, May, Racine, Steele, Villeneuve and Farrell.
Nays: Comm. Leone.

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Chairperson Farrell called for a roll call vote for a position on the Zoning Board of Appeals for the unexpired position ending Dec. 31, 1982, that must be filled by a member of the Planning Commission. It was moved by Comm. LaPin, supported by Comm. Racine and carried, that an unanimous ballot be cast for Joseph DeGroot of Northland.

Chairperson Farrell called for a roll call vote for a position on the Zoning Board of Appeals. It was moved by Comm. LaPin, supported by Comm. Racine and carried that an unanimous ballot be cast for Taisto Tuominen for a three year term ending Dec. 31, 1983.

Chairperson Farrell then announced that
1. The nominations for the position on the County Road Commission will be made on Feb. 4, 1981 and appointment made on Feb. 18, 1981.
2. The appointment to the Board of Health will be made on January 21, 1981.
3. That nominations to the Alger Marquette Community Mental Health Board will be made on Jan. 21, 1981 and appointment made on Feb. 4, 1981.

A communication from the Dept. of Housing and Urban Development regarding the County's preapplication for Small City Discretionary Funds under the Community Development Block Grant Program, was read and placed on file.

A communication from the Dept. of Natural Resources regarding the Executive Order #1980-1A that transfers certain functions from one State department to another, was read and placed on file.

A communication from the Marquette County Economic Development Corporation, asking Marquette County to pledge its' support to their projects to the amount of $1,500.00 per year, for a three year period, was read. It was moved by Comm. Leone, supported by Comm. LaMere and carried that the communication be referred to the Finance Committee for study for the 1982 Budget.

A communication from the Marquette County Treasurer, James F. Sodergren regarding Act 211 of P.A. of 1979, that has affect on the distribution of taxes of units of government having an SEV in excess of $15,000,000.00, was read and placed on file.

A communication from the National Park Service regarding new federal legislation that designates the proposed North Country Trails as a National Scenic Trail, was read. It was moved by Comm. Juidici, supported by Comm. Lowe and carried that the communication be referred to the Environment, Lands and Buildings Committee for informational purpose.

Communications from Henry A. Skewis, County Clerk and Judge Michael Anderregg, regarding the recent flooding conditions in the Courthouse Annex were read. It was moved by Comm. Leone, supported by Comm. Carlson and carried, that the letter from the County Clerk, Henry A. Skewis be referred to the Environment, Lands and Buildings Committee for recommendation back to the county board at the Feb. 18, 1981 meeting.

It was moved by Comm. Cheatham, supported by Comm. May and carried that the letter from Judge Anderregg commending County Controller Duane Beard for his actions during the flooding, be placed in Mr. Beard's personnel file.

A copy of a communication from the Michigan Association of Counties to the County Clerk, Henry A. Skewis regarding reimbursement under Act 16 of the P.A. of 1978, was read. It was moved by Comm. Racine, supported by Comm. Villeneuve and carried to refer the communication to the Chief Civil Counsel and the Executive Committee for report back to the county board.
A communication from the State Department of Transportation regarding the guidelines to establish a PDRT Authority was read. It was moved by Comm. Lowe, supported by Comm. May and carried that the communication be referred to the Planning Commission to comment and/or make recommendations on.

A report of the Executive Committee meeting held on Dec. 22, 1980, was read and placed on file.

A report from the Executive Committee regarding the Sheriff's Dept. Alcohol Enforcement Program was read. No action was taken at this time because sufficient funds remain in the 1980 program budget to continue the 1981 program for about nine months.

A copy of a letter from Undersheriff Michael Quayle to the Executive Committee regarding the status of the Jail Inmate Rehabilitation Program conducted by the Sheriff's Dept., was read and placed on file.

A letter of resignation from the Zoning Board of Appeals had been received from Berle LaPin from Champion. It was accepted with great regret and Mr. LaPin was commended for his service on this board. It was moved by Comm. LaPin, supported by Comm. Racine and carried that the rules for appointments be suspended so that appointment to this important board can be made as soon as possible. It was then moved by Comm. Juddici, supported by Comm. Chestham and carried that applications be accepted and nominations made on Feb. 4, 1981 and the appointment be made on Feb. 18, 1981.

Monthly reports of the Sheriff's Dept. for the months of Oct. and Nov., 1980, were read and placed on file.

A communication from State Dept. of Management and Budget regarding the Marquette County Sheriff's Dept. Inmate Rehabilitation Program refunding being rejected because of insufficient funds, was read, placed on file and referred to the Finance Committee for clarification.

Comm. Carlson addressed the county board on the problem of lay-offs, deterioration of equipment, and additional maintenance and parts for heavy equipment that will be experienced by the County Road Commission in the next two months. He expressed concern that the level of service, now provided would have to be lowered unless additional funding can be obtained from somewhere. He also spoke on the need for upkeep of the building. He said he does not see any State or Federal help coming in the near future.

Comm. Carlson addressed the county board in regard to the Marquette Water Treatment Plant inspections by the County Building Inspectors not being made as required when the permit fee has been paid. He asked that a complete investigation be made of the issue. It was moved by Comm. Carlson, supported by Comm. Racine and carried that the matter be referred to the Environment, Lands and Buildings Committee for study and report back to the county board not later than Feb. 18, 1981.

A discussion was held on the possible changing of Rule 18 of the Rules of Order, whereby items 4 and 5 should be interchanged so that Public Comment would come before Approval of the Agenda. It was moved by Comm. May, supported by Comm. Juddici and carried that item 4 and 5 of Rule #18 be changed to have item 4 be public comment and item 5 be approval of the agenda.

Comm. LaPin addressed the county board regarding services provided by the County Road Commission and the possible loss of some very vital services to motorists and residents of the county. It was moved by Comm. LaPin, supported by Comm. Racine and unanimously carried that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee and ask them to meet as soon as possible with the Intergovernmental Relations Committee, the County Road Board of Commissioners, to study and report and/or make recommendation to the county board.
Comm. Cheatham left the meeting at this time due to prior commitments.

Comm. Lapin addressed the county board on the equalization process for 1981. He felt that assessors should have an opportunity to check the equalized values prior to them being sent to the state. He felt we were a depressed area and advised the county board that the state does not tell the county what the county is worth, but just the opposite, the county tells the state what the county is worth. It was moved by Comm. Lapin, supported by Comm. May and carried that the equalization process be referred to the Executive Committee and to ask Henry Schneider to attend this meeting to supply the necessary information. This meeting should be held prior to the studies being sent to the state.

Comm. Carlson spoke briefly on the economic condition of the county and effect it has on all units of government and the various departments and boards. He suggested that no new programs be started until a careful study is made, as to where best to use the taxpayers dollars to provide the greatest service to the taxpayer.

A discussion was held regarding the increases in Child Care Fund money over the recent years. Each county acts a little different and most of the decisions are made on the best judgment that is made by the Probate Court at that particular time.

There being no further business to come before the county board, it was moved by Comm. Julidici, supported by Comm. Racine and carried that the meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

Henry A. Skewis
County Clerk
MARQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Organizational Meeting
Wednesday, January 7, 1981, 7:00 p.m.
Commissioners Room, Courthouse Annex
Marquette, Michigan

1. CALLING OF ROLL BY THE COUNTY CLERK.
2. SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.
3. READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 17, 1980 and DECEMBER 30, 1980 MEETINGS.
4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.
5. NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON.
6. NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRPERSON.
7. MOTION TO MOVE INTO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:
   b. 
8. MOTION TO MOVE INTO REGULAR SESSION.
9. PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS, PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:
   a. Cindy Fassbender, President, Marquette County Humane Society, will be present to answer questions concerning policies of the Humane Society. Communication from Richmond Township regarding the Humane Society.
   b. Letter from James W. Aylward resigning from the Building Code Board of Appeals.
   c. Letter from Neil W. Carlson resigning from the County Road Commission.
   d. Nomination of individuals to fill vacancy on the Marquette County Health Board - Consumer Category.
   e. Appointments to the following boards/commissions:
      1) Commission on Aging:
         a) Unexpired term in Senior Citizen Category (Expires 12-31-81).
         b) Unexpired term in Expert and/or Interested Citizen Category (Expires 12-31-81).
         c) Recommendations from the Commission on Aging concerning applications to fill the current vacancies.
      2) Social Services Board - Three year term expiring 12-31-83.
      3) Library Board - Five year term expiring 12-31-81.
      4) Airport Zoning Board of Appeals - Two three year terms expiring 12-31-83.
      5) County Board of Institutions - One unexpired term ending 12-31-81.
   f. Communication from Michael Rozny, Department of Housing and Urban Development, on the county's preapplication for Small City Discretionary Funds - Community Development Block Grant Program.
   g. Communication from Karl R. Hosford, Department of Natural Resources, on transfer of state review and approval/disapproval authority regarding interim and permanent county zoning ordinances from the DNR to the Department of Commerce.
   h. Letter from the Marquette County Economic Development Corporation seeking financial assistance from the Board.
   i. Copy of a communication sent by James Sodergren, Treasurer, and J. Pat Farrell, Board Chairperson, to various county units of government regarding distribution of 1980 tax collections.
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9. PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS, PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS (con't.):
   j. Letter from J. L. Dunning, U.S. Department of the Interior, on the
      proposed North Country Trail.
   k. Letter from Henry Skewis, County Clerk, on flooding of the Courthouse
      Annex.
   l. Letter from MAC to the County Clerk on reimbursements under P.A. 16
      of 1978.
   m. Letter from Edgerton Bailey, Department of Transportation, on
      port authorities.
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10. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:
    a. Report from the Executive Committee on a meeting held December 22,
       1980.
    b. Report from the Executive Committee on the Sheriff's Department's
       Alcohol Enforcement Program.
    c. Communication referred to the Board from the Executive Committee
       regarding the status of the Jail Inmate Rehabilitation Program
       conducted by the Sheriff's Department.
    d.
    e.

11. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:
    a.
    b.

12. REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICERS:
    a. Financial condition report from the Controller.
    b.

13. LATE ADDITIONS:
    a.
    b.

14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
    a.
    b.

15. NEW BUSINESS:
    a.
    b.

16. PUBLIC COMMENT.

17. ANNOUNCEMENTS.

18. ADJOURNMENT.