The Marquette County Board of Commissioners met on May 5, 1982 at 7:00 P.M. in the Commissioners Room of the Courthouse Annex.

Chairperson Racine opened the meeting, roll was called by County Clerk, Henry A. Skewis and the following roll recorded:
Present: Comm. Carlson, Cheatham, Farrell, Juidici, LaMere, LaPin, Leone, Lowe, Steele, Villeneuve and Racine.
Absent: Comm. May.

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

It was moved by Comm. LaPin, supported by Comm. Villeneuve and carried that the minutes of the reconvened April 21, 1982, meeting of the county board, held on April 28, 1982 be approved and accepted.

Chairperson Racine opened the meeting for public comment, none was forthcoming and Chairperson Racine closed the public comment section.

The agenda was approved with the addition of (7-fa), an opinion from Chief Civil Counsel pertaining to Attorney General Opinion 6029; item (7-j) a communication and resolution from Marq-Tran and; (7-k) a proposed rule change for the Health Dept. Rules of Order.

Chairperson Racine opened the meeting for the final ratification, approval and authorization to sign the agreement between Alger and Marquette Counties to establish an Alger-Marquette County Mental Health Board. The proper certifications were on file from Marquette County, the present Alger-Marquette County Mental Health Board and were noted. Alger County Clerk, Donald Kimmunen had advised the Marquette County Clerk, Henry A. Skewis, that certifications from Alger County were enroute via mail to Marquette County. It was moved by Comm. Farrell, supported by Comm. Leone and carried unanimously on a roll call vote of all commissioners present, to approve and ratify the agreement and authorize County Board Chairperson Racine to sign the agreement.

A communication from the U.S. Dept. of Navy regarding the public forum on the ELF project to be held June 2, 1982, was read and placed on file.

A communication from the Michigan State Dept. of Treasury regarding their inability to hold public hearings on State Equalization, in places other than Lansing, Michigan, was read. This provision to hold the meetings in Lansing is by State Statute. The communication was placed on file. It was moved by Comm. LaPin, supported by Comm. Leone and carried that the county board go on record to ask our legislators to enact laws that would allow these public hearings in places other than Lansing, Michigan.

A communication from the Marquette County Health Department inviting participation by County Commissioners in the Adult Screening/Health Promotion Program now being conducted by the Health Department, was read and placed on file. It was moved by Comm. Juidici, supported by Comm. Leone and carried that all persons be urged to participate in this service.

A communication from Dr. Randall Johnson, Director of the County Health Dept. regarding the change in distribution of state cost sharing funds on Local Health Funding Programs, was read. It was moved by Comm. Farrell, supported by Comm. Juidici and carried that the County Board Chairperson communicate the concern of the county board in the recent changes in the distribution of State Cost-Sharing Funds for Local Health Programs, and support Dr. Johnson and the AdHoc Committee on Local Health Fundings’ stand regarding possible ways to improve the equity of existing distribution of State Cost-Sharing Funds for Local Health Programs.

Communications and legal opinions on whether or not the County Board Chairperson can legally sit as a member of the Economic Development Committee, were read. It was determined that the appointment of the County Board Chairperson, Comm. Racine, to the EDC, was and is legal and the communications were placed on file.
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A communication from the Michigamme-Spurr Townships First Responder Team, regarding a permanent housing for the county's R-52 Rescue Vehicle, was read and referred to the Environment, Lands and Buildings Committee, for informational purposes.

A communication from HUD advising the county board of their approval of the final closeout of Community Development Block Grant program #B-78-DN-26-0137, FY 1978 by completion of Form #4011 Certification of Completion, was read and placed on file.

A communication from the Marquette County Health Department Director, Dr. Randall Johnson, and an agreement between Marquette County Board of Commissioners on behalf of the Marquette County Health Department and the Michigan Department of Public Health. It was moved by Comm. Juidici, supported by Comm. LaMere and unanimously carried on a roll call vote, with the exception of Comm. May who was absent and excused, that the county board concur with the recommendation and approve and accept the agreement and authorize the board chairperson to sign the agreement for State Cost-Sharing Funds.

A communication and resolution from the Marquette County Transportation System regarding the designation of May 9 through May 15, 1982 as Transportation Week in Michigan, were read. It was moved by Comm. Leone, supported by Comm. Juidici and carried that the board chairperson be authorized to designate May 9 through May 15, 1982 as Transportation Week in Marquette County and that the resolution be adopted.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Transportation is the circulatory system of our society; and

WHEREAS, an adequate Transportation System ensures the vitality of society by providing people access to work, shopping, recreation and all other activities; and

WHEREAS, Marquette County provides a public transportation system called "MARQ-TRAN" to compliment the existing modes of transportation in Marquette County; and

WHEREAS, Governor Milliken has designated May 9th – May 15th, 1982, as Michigan Transportation Week;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Joseph O. Racine, Chairman, Marquette County Board of Commissioners, do hereby, in conjunction with the Marquette County Board of Commissioners, designate May 9th – May 15th, 1982 as Transportation Week in Marquette County in recognition of the contribution of Transportation in our daily lives; and

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED, that we encourage all citizens of the county to take advantage of the 25¢ rides being offered by MARQ-TRAN during Transportation Week and encourage all citizens to reflect on how their daily lives are enhanced by an adequate transportation system.

A communication from the Marquette County Health Board requesting approval of a proposed change in the Health Board's Rules of Order, was read. It was moved by Comm. Farrell, supported by Comm. Steele and carried that the proposed rule change be worded to read:

"Any member who fails to attend (3) three consecutive regular board meetings will be dismissed from said Board subject to the approval of the County Board of Commissioners."

And that the County Health Board be notified of this change in the wording of their original request.
A report of the Intergovernmental Relations Committee's meeting held on April 22, 1982 was accepted and placed on file.

A recommendation from the Environment, Lands and Buildings Committee regarding the taking of separate bids on certain items needed for the Courthouse Renovation and the purchase of these items by the county, was read. This action was recommended because of the nature of the items and the length of time it would take to receive them. It was moved by Comm. Steele, supported by Comm. LaMere and carried unanimously on a roll call vote of all commissioners present, that the county board authorize separate bid or purchase for the following items to be used in the Courthouse Renovation:

1. Decorative light fixtures for courthouse interior.
2. Decorative painting and stenciling in the courthouse.
3. Decorative art work, if money is available.
5. Carpeting

A recommendation from the Environment, Lands and Buildings Committee regarding the approval and authorization to sign the Non-Alienation Agreement between the County of Marquette Board of Commissioners and the Economic Development Administration of U.S.A. as relates to EDA Project #06-11-01764.60 Courthouse Renovation, was read. It was moved by Comm. Carlson, supported by Comm. Farrell and carried unanimously on a roll call vote of all commissioners present, that the county board concur with the recommendation, approve the agreement, and authorize the county board chairperson, Comm. Racine to sign, on behalf of Marquette County Board of Commissioners.

A recommendation from the Environment, Lands and Buildings Committee regarding an agreement between the County of Marquette and Lincoln A. Pole, Jr., Architect for EDA Project #06-11-01764.60 Weatherization of Marquette County Courthouse, a part of the Marquette County Courthouse Renovation, was read. It was moved by Comm. LaMere, supported by Comm. Steele and unanimously carried on a roll call vote that the county board approve the agreement for weatherization and authorize the board chairperson, Comm. Racine to sign the agreement on behalf of Marquette County.

A recommendation from the Environment, Lands and Buildings Committee regarding interim housing for the county's R-52 Emergency Rescue Vehicle, was read. It was moved by Comm. Carlson, supported by Comm. Judici and carried unanimously on a roll call vote, that the county board concur with the recommendation and in the event that housing for the R-52 vehicle be terminated at the Negauene Township Facility before permanent housing is available, then the R-52 vehicle be housed at 1.) the Marquette County Airport, and if this space is not available then 2.) the Marquette County Sheriff garage be used; and further that the county Controller, Duane Beard, will see that this action is taken care of.

A report of the May 3, 1982 meeting of the Environment, Lands and Buildings Committee was accepted and placed on file.

A report of the Committee of the Whole meeting held on April 28, 1982 was accepted and placed on file.

A copy of proposed Forestry Commission By Laws, Soil Conservation District Contracts and Standard Form Timber Sales Contract were referred to the Environment, Lands and Buildings Committee for review and recommendation.

The annual report for the fiscal year 1981 Revenues and Expenditures of the Economic Development Corporation of the County of Marquette was accepted and placed on file.
The Program Evaluation report of the Offender Aid and Restoration Program for the period January 1, 1982 to April 20, 1982 was accepted and placed on file.

The Acocks Medical Facility Monthly Report for March 1, 1982 was accepted and placed on file.

Comm. Steele advised the County Board that on a recent trip to Brookridge, he noticed that the apple trees that line the drive way need pruning and suggested that the maintenance people do so.

Comm. LaPin noted that a recent news article showed that Alger County had a reduction of 10% on their county equalized value as compared to last year.

Comm. Juidici commended all persons involved in the "Law Day" student tour of the courthouse/jail facilities for a job "well done."

Magistrate Benjamin O. Pascoe, who recently retired as Magistrate of the 96th District Court was the recipient of a Certificate of Appreciation for services rendered. Presentation will be made at Magistrate Pascoe's retirement dinner.

Comm. Carlson questioned the progress of taking bids on a Public Address/Recording system for the Commissioners Room. Duane Beard, Controller stated that specifications were ready and bids will be taken.

Chairperson Racine opened the meeting for public comment, none was forthcoming and the public comment section was closed.

Chairperson Racine displayed a piece of ELF cable, the same as will be used in the ELF system, if it is constructed.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Henry A. Skewis
County Clerk
MARQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Wednesday, May 5, 1982, 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.
4. PUBLIC COMMENT (time limit of 20 minutes total).
5. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.
6. PUBLIC HEARINGS:
   a. 
   b.
7. PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS, PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:
   a. Final ratification and approval of the establishment of Alger-Marquette Community Mental Health Board by the Marquette County Board of Commissioners.
   b. Communication from the U.S. Dept. of Navy regarding public forum on ELF to be held June 2, 1982.
   c. Communication from the Dept. of Treasury regarding holding of public meetings on equalization of U.P. Counties in the Upper Peninsula rather then in Lansing. (answer to board letter).
   d. Communication from the Marquette County Health Dept. on Adult Screening/Health Promotion Program.
   e. Communications from the Marquette County Health Dept. director, Randall Johnson, and Dr. Kenneth Rowe, Chairperson, of a state-wide AD Hoc Committee on Local Health Funding regarding possible ways to improve the equity of existing distribution of State cost-sharing funds for local public health services.
   f. Communications regarding the legality of Board Chair sitting as member of EDC and Chief Civil Counsels response.
   g. Communication from Michigamme-Spurr Township, First Responders Team regarding housing for R-52 emergency service vehicle.
   h. Communication from Dept. of Housing and Urban Development regarding the final closing out and signing of HUD form 4011 Community Development Block Grant Project #B-78-DN-26-0137 - FY 1978.
   i. Marquette County Health Dept. 1982 Cost Sharing Agreement acceptance and authorization of signature of Board Chairperson.
   j.
   k.
   l.
8. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:
   a. Report of the April 22, 1982 meeting of the Intergovernmental Relations Committee. (deferred from April 28, 1982 board meeting.)
   b. Recommendation from Environment, Lands & Building Committee regarding separate bids on certain items used in Courthouse Renovation.
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d. Recommendation from Environment, Lands & Building Committee on agreement between Marquette County and Lincoln Poley, Jr. for Courthouse Renovation.
e. Recommendation from Environment, Lands & Building Committee on interim plan for housing R-52 Rescue Vehicle.

9. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:
b.

10. REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICERS:
c. Report from OAR Director, Sue Gagnon. (Deferred from April 28, 1982 board meeting).
d. Report from Acocks Medical Facility (March 1982).

11. LATE ADDITIONS:
a.
b.
c.

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
a.
b.
c.

13. NEW BUSINESS:
a.
b.
c.

14. PUBLIC COMMENT.

15. ANNOUNCEMENTS.

16. ADJOURNMENT.
April 22, 1982

Honorable Chair and Members of the
Marquette County Board of Commissioners
Marquette, Michigan 49855

Ladies & Gentlemen:

A meeting of the Intergovernmental Relations Committee was duly called and held on April 22, 1982, and copies of the minutes of that meeting have been furnished to all members of the Board of Commissioners and a copy of the minutes is attached hereto and made a part of this report.

Respectfully submitted,

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS,

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Chair

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April 22, 1982

The Intergovernmental Relations Committee met on April 22, 1982 at 7:00 P.M. in Room 227 of the Courthouse Annex.

Present were: Comm. Leone, Lowe, LaPin and Juidici. Also present were Henry A. Skewis, County Clerk, Duane Beard, Controller, Robert Polzin, Robert Niemi and Peter Embley.

It was moved by Comm. Juidici, supported by Comm. Leone and carried that the committee's minutes of the March 25, 1982 meeting be accepted.

Chairperson Lowe opened the meeting for public comment, none was forthcoming and Chairperson Lowe ordered the public comment section closed.

The agenda was approved by the general concensus of the members and item 5D, memo on Central Dispatch Telephone Service was moved to item 5A-

Robert Niemi, Director of MarTran, was present to discuss the bus service in the county. He felt that the service is being well accepted and rider participation is increasing. He stated some of the old rates are being changed to show a decrease in passenger fares. An example given was the old rate from Michigamme to Marquette was; full fare round trip $14.00 and Senior Citizen fare $7.00. The new rate is now $9.00 and Senior Citizens $4.50. Comm. LaPin who resides in the Champion area commented on complaints he had received on the scheduling. The schedule is not convenient to Senior Citizens as the bus leaves too early in the morning. Mr. Neimi stated that some adjustments will be made. Comm. LaPin was also concerned because no provision was made to transport nine workers to and from work. He explained the system now used by the L'Anse bus that does some of this service now. He felt that the bus service should eventually serve all people in the county. In the operation of a mine bus it would be difficult to make all shift changes stated Mr. Niemi. Mr. Niemi stated that during Transportation Week in May 1982, efforts will be made to acquaint more people with the bus service. MarTran will also be looking into contracts with mental health and nutrition people; intermediate school bus runs and short charter of buses by groups. Some school children in the Marquette area now use the bus service. Mr. Niemi then left the meeting.

Mr. Robert Polzin from Michigan Bell Telephone Co. was present to discuss the use of a 911 emergency service number for all calls to Central Dispatch. Mr. Polzin stated that if county requests this service, the Bell Company would install the equipment necessary in the existing system at no cost to the county, but units of government must request the service. They would need releases from those units that did not want 911 service, and independent systems (other companies) and dual system, such as Rock, which is served by two phone systems, would have to be contacted and considered when the system is installed. Some of the areas that would have to be considered are:

1. All Fire and Police units must be participants in the system.
2. The area to be served would be the responsibility of the county, and there would be one billing.
3. Central Dispatch staffing would be a county responsibility.
4. Each unit must have a seven digit emergency number, also,
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5. There must be a minimum of two trunk lines from each exchange
going to Central Dispatch. Larger areas would require more
trunks.
6. Estimated cost would be $100.00 per unit serviced.
7. Equipment necessary for change over located at Central
Dispatch would be additional cost to County.
8. N.M.U. could also be covered.

Bell would need an idea of what is wanted and then could give more
information on service and costs. Engineers hired by the County for the
Central Dispatch study could consult with Bell, but Bell would do the
job at no additional cost to the County. It was suggested that the State
Police Post Commander be asked to contact the marketing people at Michigan
Bell for additional information and possible planning. Mr. Polzin then
left the meeting.

A communication from the Dept. of Public Health on the cooperative use
of the Department of Public Health radio base station with Central Dispatch,
was read. The communication was placed on file for informational purposes.
It was moved by Comm. LaPin, supported by Comm. Leone and carried to
refer this communication to the Finance Committee for recommendation of
budget amendment for approval of money for installation.

A memo from Comm. Lowe regarding the Central Dispatch Engineering
Study, was read. It was moved by Comm. Juidici, supported by Comm. LaPin
and carried that this study has been thoroughly reviewed and the Inter-
governmental Relations Committee recommends that the County Board accept
the plans, specifications and bid documents and that the 10% of contract
being held back, be paid to the engineering firm of Michaud, Cooley, Holber,
Erickson and Associates.

It was moved by Comm. Juidici, supported by Comm. LaPin and carried
that Michael Zorza, Emergency Services Director, be commended for the
extra time and effort he put into this project and that a copy of the
letter of commendation be placed in his personnel file.

A memo from Comm. Lowe on the Capital Improvement Budget for Central
Dispatch, was read. The engineering firm employed to do the engineering
study of Central Dispatch has recommended various changes be made in the
physical plant of Central Dispatch. Currently $100,000.00 has been budgeted
for such changes, however this is not enough money to do the full job. It
was moved by Comm. Juidici, supported by Comm. Leone and carried that the
Finance Committee be asked to consider a recommendation for the necessary
action to be taken to secure the additional funds necessary for up-grading
the system.

Some of the weaknesses in the system at present are:
1. People do not fully describe the place the accidents or fire
accurs. The answer would be to better educate the people on
how to use the system. Possible use of the RIMCOR system being
developed by the Planning Commission that would make people
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aware of their tax code number to be given when making an emergency call. Central Dispatch could then place the exact area of the accident or fire.

A communication from the Marquette County Emergency Medical Services Council regarding the application for a blanket license of local Emergency Medical Services mobile radios, was read. It was the recommendation of the Emergency Medical Service Council that Marquette County make application for a mobile radio license in the specific radio service, for utilization of the specific radio frequencies 155.160 MHZ and 155.280 MHZ. The radio license application should be for a blanket license and should include provisions for all emergency medical services mobile radios in the county. It was moved by Comm. Juidici, supported by Comm. LaPin, and carried that the Intergovernmental Relations Committee recommend to the County Board, that application be made for a blanket license for all Emergency Service radios in all units of government.

A communication from David Berns, spokesperson, Human Services Functional Group, regarding County Goals for Human Services, was read and placed on file.

Communications from Special 1983 Board Goals Committee on Consolidation of Mineral Resources, Parks, Forestry and Harbor Commissions and Chief Civil Counsel's opinion PAO-81-30 were read. It was moved by Comm. LaPin, supported by Comm. Juidici and carried that Chief Civil Counsel be contacted to determine if the Mineral Resources Commission can be consolidated with the Harbors, Forestry and Parks Commission.

A discussion was held regarding a Telecommunication Authority being established, was held. The discussion brought out several possibilities of how an authority would operate and what results would follow. Comm. Juidici, Comm. Lowe and Peter Embly of Marquette spoke on the possibility. It was felt that a meeting should be held of representatives of area units of government to discuss problem, possible improvements, and to establish a steering committee to study background of problems. It was moved by Comm. Juidici, supported by Comm. Leone and carried that a planning committee be set up to study Telecommunication materials and that the Elected Officials Conference be set as May 22, 1982, with the planning committee making material on Telecommunications available to the Elected Officials Conference ten days prior to May 22, 1982. The May 22, 1982 Elected Officials Conference would be used as a planning session to promote the concept of the effective use of Telecommunications. The Steering Committee would consist of the following persons representing the following named groups:

Cities - Helen Johnson or Jerry Corkin
Townships - Wes Larson
Television - WNMU Station Manager Channel 13 or Eric Smith
Radio - Tom Feldhausen or Eric Simandl
Law - Judge Easton or Stephen Adamini
Industry - James Scullion or David Holli
Planning Commission - one of its members
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Comm. Lowe made a report on Animal Control. He stated that a
draft ordinance has been drawn up. The committee has met and decided
to submit the draft ordinance to the County Board. One problem is in
developing a program as everyone is being scared off because of the cost.
The committee is leaning toward a zone approach, money is the problem.
A possible way to begin would be to hire three people (an animal control
officer and two deputies) and what that would do is to educate the public
such as answer phone calls and head a drive to get people to license
their dogs. Chocolay Township and Negaunee City are working on their
ordinances at this time.

A communication from the Upper Peninsula Health System Agency's
advising the Intergovernmental Relations Committee that Rev. King Hanna
of Marquette and Albert Hill of Chatham, have been appointed to the
North Central Subarea Council. It was determined that the communication
be referred back to the County Board for informational purposes.

Items 10-a,b,c, were deferred until the next Intergovernmental Relations
Committee meeting.

There being no further business to come before the committee,
the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Henry A. Skewis
County Clerk