September 22, 1982

The Marquette County Board of Commissioners met as a Committee of the Whole, on Sept. 22, 1982 at 7:00 p.m., in the Commissioners Room of the Courthouse Annex.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Racine, roll was called and the following roll recorded.


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

Chairperson Racine opened the meeting for public comment. Mary Luttinen, director of the Cooperative Extension Dept., was present and advised the county board that
1. The 4-H Program Assistant position has been filled and the Cooperative Extension department has Gail Meyer in this position.
2. Also received notification that the Agricultural Natural Resources position will be full time by Oct. 1, 1982.
3. The 4-H Agent will be filled in the very near future.

Mrs Luttinen was appreciative of the manner in which their budget for 1983 was handled.

There being no further comment from the public, the public comment section was closed.

Approval of the agenda was given with the addition of item 11-d-A Grant Agreement between Marquette County and the State Dept. of Commerce, regarding the Republican Township housing project; item 11-e, a communication from Judge Edward A. Quinnell, regarding the proposed 1983 Circuit Court budget, and item 11-f - a communication from the Planner, Alan Chase regarding the 1983 MCPB operating budget.

Chairperson Racine opened the public hearing regarding the 1983 Federal Revenue Sharing Funds, proposed budget. Chairperson Racine called for comment from the public, none was forthcoming, he then opened the comment section for board members. Comm. Carlson stated that he felt that the county was wise to use Revenue Sharing Funds for Capital Improvement Projects rather than general operating costs which are deceptive. Many commissioners were in agreement with Comm. Carlsons comments. There being no further comments the public hearing was closed.

Freeholders and residents of T-45N R30W, Republic Township were present to submit a petition signed by 71 persons asking that T45N R30W be separated from Republic Township and made a separate township. The petitions were accepted as was assorted material in bound volume supporting the ability of T45N R30W to survive as a separate township. The heading on the petition reads as follows:

In Accordance with the Provisions of Section 46.14, Michigan Compiled Laws Annotated (Section 14, Public Act 1851, No. 156, as amended) We, the Undersigned Freeholders and Residents of Town Forty-Five (45) North, Range Thirty (30) West, of Republic Township, Marquette County, State Of Michigan, Do HEREBY Make Application to the Marquette County Board of Commissioners to Provide for a Division of the aforementioned Republic Township and to Establish Town Forty-Five (45) North, Range Thirty (30) West of said Township as a New Township.

Mr. Leslie Mattila, supervisor of Republic Township advised the county board that the Republic Township Board is unaware of what material the petitioners have submitted and every one at this time is unaware of what is happening.

It was moved by Comm. Farrell, supported by Comm. Juidici and carried that the petition be accepted and the materials and petitions submitted be referred to the Executive Committee for recommendation and to the Chief Civil Counsel for legal advise and recommendation on how this request should be handled.
Acting Chief Civil Counsel David Payant gave a brief explanation of the law governing this type of action.

A communication from the Department of Natural Resources regarding Metallic Minerals Lease Sale Applications was read and placed on file.

An opinion from Chief Civil Counsel, Patricia L. Micklow regarding the Legal Parameters of Board action concerning Separate Tax Limitation Ballot Proposal, was read and placed on file.

Bruce Rukkala, Finance Officer and Duane Beard, Controller, were present to discuss the analysis of Fund Equity - Various Funds. Mr. Rukkala advised the county board that these were discrepancies in information previously presented to the Finance Committee at its work sessions. This involved essentially double counting of the amount of money available in the Budget Stabilization Fund for use in future capital and operational considerations. Along with a couple of budget amendments, this leads to a much lower amount of money available at this time. Mr. Rukkala also stated that there is a larger amount of money available in the County Road Funds then was anticipated.

An opinion from Chief Civil Counsel, Patricia L. Micklow, regarding the Law Library, was read. The opinion stated that the county must credit to the Law Library Fund an amount not to exceed $6,500.00 for 1983 and each year thereafter. Further, this total sum shall be credited to the fund on a semi-annually basis by the County Treasurer. But, at no time shall the balance in the account exceed the total of two allotments or $12,000.00. The opinion was placed on file.

A communication from the Department of Management and Budget, concerning the estimated Public Act 416 Secondary Road Patrol application, was read and placed on file. The Sheriff was encouraged to file an application even though the estimated amount for 1983 is $2,466.00 less than last year.

A communication from Duane Beard, Controller recommending that the proposed 1983 budget as recommended by the Finance Committee be considered. Alan Chase, Planning Director was present to try to persuade the county board to reconsider the 1983 Planning Commission's budget as regards to the position of Planner. Mark Maki, Chairperson of the Planning Commission also spoke on this need, to work the programs now being finalized. A communication from Judge Edward A. Quinnell in regard to the retaining of the circuit court bailiffs position, was read. A communication from the Planning Director in regard to budget needs such as planner positions, was read. Sheriff Joseph L. Maino expressed the need for retaining the position now being considered eliminated and the need for extra costs for operating expense. Judge Wm. S. Easton and Magistrate Wm. Rekshan spoke on the need for an additional court clerk in the Marquette Office of the 96th District Court. Several suggestions were made as to possible changes that could be made to make better use of what is available. Lynn Emerick, director of the Commission on Aging was present to advise the county board that there were no increases in administrative costs but only in costs of programs, in their 1983 budget.

Several Commissioners stated that the compiling of the 1983 budgets and allocations for the needs for each department was no small task and that any decision made was not made lightly but with a great deal of consideration for each item. It is recognized that all departments could use more funds, but that the money is just not available and compromises must be made. Brookridge, whether to tear it down or repair it, was discussed, as was the needs of the County Road Commission.

It was moved by Comm. Lowe, supported by Comm. Leone, that the Finance Committee meet to take one final look at the budget. It was the concensus of the Finance Committee, that they had done all they could considering the needs and the money available. A roll call vote was held on the motion and the motion failed.

Most commissioners felt that any adjustments to the budget, if they were minor, could be resolved at the Oct. 12, 1982 meeting, when the final action is taken.
It was moved by Comm. Farrell, supported by Comm. LaMere that the Committee of the Whole recommend to the county board that the 1983 county budget, as recommended by the Finance Committee, be adopted on Oct. 12, 1982. It was moved by Comm. Carlson to amend the motion on the floor to include a recommendation that the court bailiff position be retained on a 24 hour per week basis. This amendment to the motion was supported by Comm. Leone, the vote was taken and the amendment failed. It was then moved by Comm. Racine, supported by Comm. May and carried that the motion on the floor be amended to include funding for the Sheriff Dept. as follows:

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A vote was taken and the amendment to the motion on the floor as stated carried.

A vote was then taken on the motion on floor as amended and the motion carried. Comm. Juidici voted nay.

The motion as amended was "That the Committee of the Whole recommend to the county Board, that the county board adopt the 1983 Marquette County Operating Budget as recommended by the Finance Committee and include the following items in the Sheriff's Dept. Budget:

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It was understood that the Finance officer and Controller would be authorized to make any minor corrections in the preparation of the final budget, with the difference if, any coming from the Contingency Account.

A communication from the County Controller regarding the grant agreement between the Michigan Dept. of Commerce and Marquette County as regards the CDBG Republic Township Project. The Controller and Chief Civil Counsel had approved the grant agreement. It was moved by Comm. Leone, supported by Comm. Steele and carried unanimously on a roll call vote to recommend to the county board that they approve the CDBG Program agreement for Republic Township Housing Project and authorize the Chairperson to sign the agreement.

Comm. Farrell stated that all charges of conflict of interest in voting on the Six County Consortium, that had been leveled at Comm. Juidici, Comm. Villeneuve and Comm. Farrell by Bob Olson of UPCAP, had been reviewed by the Regional office and were unfounded.

Comm. Lowe reported that the bids on the Central Dispatch Communication System had been opened. One of the bidders had filed a complaint that some of the bidders had not addressed the specifications. the Central Dispatch Policy Board had decided to hold off awarding the bid until response to the charges are received by the other bidders.

Comm. Lowe stated that rumor has it that the R-52 Rescue Vehicle is stationed at the Sheriff's Dept. and the service has been affected by this move. Where in reality, the R-52 is still housed at the Negaunee Township Fire Hall. Comm. Lowe stated he was opposed to it being moved from that area. It was moved by Comm. Lowe, supported by Comm. Leone and carried that the Committee of the Whole recommend to the county board that Michael Ziera, EMS Director and Charles Hohman Jr., Airport Manager, be directed to meet and try to resolve a plan for housing the R-52 Vehicle at the airport.

It was understood that the 1983 Budget recommendations transfer the administration of the EMS to the Sheriff's Dept.
Comm. Steele commented on a presentation to be made at Acock's Facility in the use of a new serium to overcome Hepatitis "B", anyone may attend.

The members of the county board were reminded of the Elected Officials and Appointed Officials Policy Conference to be held Saturday Sept. 25, 1982 at the Courthouse Annex.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Henry A. Skewis, County Clerk
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
Marquette County Board of Commissioners

Wednesday, September 22, 1982
Commissioners Room, Courthouse Annex
Marquette, Michigan

1. Meeting Called to Order,
2. Roll Call by the Clerk.
3. Salute to the Flag and Pledge of Allegiance.
4. Public Comment.
5. Approval of the Agenda.
6. Public Hearings:
   b. Presentation of petition by residents of Republic Township, T45N R30W for division of Township.
7. Communication from the Department of Natural Resources on metallic minerals lease sale applications.
8. Opinion from Patricia L. Micklow, Chief Civil Counsel, on Board of Commissioners: Legal Parameters of Board Action Concerning Separate Tax Limitation Ballot Proposal.
9. 1982 Capital Improvements Program:
   a. Communication from Controller on review of capital outlay projects and commentary on other non-recurring expenses.
   b. Worksheet to evaluate capital outlay projects.
10. 1983 County Budget:
    a. Opinion from Chief Civil Counsel on Law Library: Amount of County Law Library Fund for 1983 and Each Year Thereafter.
    b. Communication from the Department of Management and Budget on estimated Act 416 Secondary Road Patrol Allocations for FY 1982-1983.
    c. Communication from Duane Beard, Controller, on Finance Committee 1983 Recommended Budget.
11. Progress Toward Objectives/Standing Committee Reports:
    a. Environment, Lands and Buildings Committee.
    b. Executive Committee.
    c. Finance Committee.
    d. Intergovernmental Relations Committee.
    e. Personnel Committee.
12. Community Boards/Commissions:
    a. Board of County Institutions.
    b. County Commission on Aging.
    c. Six County Consortium.
    d. Alger-Marquette Community Action Board.
    e. Central Dispatch Policy Board.
    f. CUPPAD Criminal Justice Committee.
    g. OEDP Committee.
    h. UPTRA.
    i. County EMS Council.
    j. EDC of the County of Marquette.
13. Community Boards/Commissions (con't.):
   k. Solid Waste Planning Committee.
   l. Region XI Area Agency on Aging.
   m. MAC Committees.
15. Announcements.
16. Public Comment.
17. Adjournment.