December 14, 1982

The Executive Committee of the Marquette County Board of Commissioners met on December 14, 1982 at 7:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Room of the Courthouse Annex.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson LaPin.

Present: Comm. May, LaPin, and Villeneuve.
Absent: Comm. Cheatham and Racine.

Also present were Duane Beard, Controller and Joy Schiais, Deputy County Clerk.

It was moved by Comm. Villeneuve, supported by Comm. May and carried that the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on November 9, 1982 be approved.

There was no public comment.

The agenda was approved by the general consensus of the members.

Duane Beard, Controller, distributed a Memorandum on Emergency Services transition and reviewed with the committee the procedure in which the Marquette County Emergency Services Program will be integrated into the Sheriff's Department, as of January 1, 1983. He said although the precipitating reason for this move was the avoidance of a large capital cost, he is convinced that long-term service improvements will result. Duane said the potential benefits of such an integration include:

- Much more efficient use of increasingly scarce financial and volunteer resources;
- A more comprehensive response to the County's unique situation as host for a major base of the Strategic Air Command (KISAPB);
- A maximal utilization of the soon to be installed improvements to the County's emergency communications system (Central Dispatch).

After discussions Mr. Beard had with Undersherrif Michael Quayle, the Undersherriff feels the following items are needed to assure success of the program.

1. Assurance that office space and other needed facilities are assigned to the Sheriff's Department. This problem is being dealt with by a space reassignment plan currently being prepared for implementation by the Environment, Lands and Buildings Committee.

2. The need to provide information to Sheriff's Department personnel to "bring them up to speed" on local and national emergency management issues.

Mr. Beard also discussed a notice he received on a seminar on Disaster Preparedness, from the International City Management Assoc., and said he had submitted a letter of application on behalf of Marquette County identifying two, two-person teams including the two current Sheriff's Dept. staff people, himself and the Emergency Services Coordinator. If approved, it is their intention to attend the session January 23-26, 1983 in Emmitsburg, Maryland, at the National Emergency Management Institute. If the scholarships are approved, the county cost will be approximately $150.00, 50% of which is reimbursable through the County's Emergency Services Grant. He stated no recommendation is needed to the Finance Committee or the Board, as current budgets for travel and inservice training can accommodate the small amount required if the scholarships are approved.

A resolution from Schoolcraft County, regarding a proposed amendment to the Commercial Forest Reserve Act 393 of P.A. of 1980, was discussed. It was moved by Comm. May, supported by Comm. Villeneuve and carried to refer this to Henry Schneider, Director Tax Equalization Dept., for his review and decision, if he feels it should come before the board.

A Notice of Membership Application to the Michigan Assessor's Association, was read and placed on file.
A copy of a letter from Duane Beard, Controller, to State Boundary Commission and a analysis of impact of proposed annexations on distribution of specific iron ore tax among the various units in the county, was read and placed on file.

Notification from Department of Treasury stating that Michigamme, Negaunee and Skandia Townships and the City of Marquette, do not have certified assessors at the required level, were read and placed on file.

A Notice of Hearing from the Wisconsin Electric Power Co., was placed on file, as the hearing date of Dec. 7, 1982 is already past.

Communications from the Michigan Association of Counties, regarding state take over of the courts and the transportation package, were read and discussed. Comm. May asked that the Executive Committee make a list of concerns they feel of importance, regarding the State take-over of the courts, to give to the new Board. Duane Beard said he would prepare this.

The committee asked Mr. Beard to contact the Transportation Committee, to ask that they be present at the Intergovernmental Relations Committee meeting to be held Thursday December 16, 1982, in order to bring up the concerns regarding the request for bus service to the mines.

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

Respectfully submitted,

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Executive Committee  
December 14, 1982  
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1. Approval of the minutes of the November 9, 1982 meeting of the Executive Committee.
2. Public Comment.
3. Approval of the agenda.
4. Various items from the Controller's office.
5. Resolution from Schoolcraft County regarding proposed amendment to the Commercial Forest Reserve Act 393 of P.A. of 1980.
6. Determination as to whether or not the Marquette County Board of Commissioners will retain membership in the Michigan Assessors Association.
7. Copy of letter from Duane Beard, Controller to State Boundary Commission and a analysis of impact of proposed annexations on distribution of specific iron ore tax among the various units in the county.
8. Notification from Department of Treasury stating that Michigamme, Negaunee and Skandia Townships and the City of Marquette do not have certified assessors at the required level.
9. Wisconsin Electric Power request to Public Service Commission for monthly adjustment for cost of fuel and purchased power.
10. Various communications dealing with State Court take over and the transportation package, also transportation program plan for future.
11. Public Comment.