April 23, 1985

The Finance/Personnel Committee met on April 23, 1985 at 5:00 P.M. in Room 231 of the Courthouse Annex.

Roll call was held and the following roll recorded:
Absent: None.

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

It was moved by Comm. Berglund, supported by Comm. Lowe and carried that the minutes of the March 26, 1985 meeting of the Finance/Personnel Committee be approved and accepted.

It was moved by Comm. Berglund, supported by Comm. Lowe and carried that the agenda be approved, and that item #15, Courthouse Artwork payment and contracts, and item #16, a discussion of the flooding disaster in Marquette County, be added.

The Finance/Personnel Committee took under consideration the audit of claims and accounts for the period April 10, 1985 through April 23, 1985. It was moved by Comm. Lowe, supported by Comm. Berglund and unanimously carried that the Finance/Personnel Committee recommend to the County Board that they approve claims and accounts for the period April 10, 1985 through April 23, 1985, in the amount of $809,596.74 and order them paid.

A communication from Dr. Dennis C. Whitehead, Chairperson of the Marquette County EMS Council - Medical Control Authority, regarding a request for county funding for the U.P. EMS Corporation, was taken under consideration. The request is for an appropriation of $11,000.00 to be utilized for training and education programs and match money for Mini Grants. Comm. Lowe moved that the request be postponed until some additional information is obtained. The motion was supported by Comm. Berglund and carried unanimously. The additional information needed is:

a) Specifically what is the role of the U.P. EMS Corporation.

b) What is their fiscal condition.

c) Copy of financial statements.

d) That Mr. Zorza, Dr. Whitehead and Mr. Robert Struck be present to provide additional information.

Mr. Bob Struck of U.P. EMS Corporation will be notified of this action.

A communication from Karlyn Rapport, Chairperson, Marquette County Board of Health, regarding the transfer of EMS Council per diems back to the Sheriff Dept., was read. The Committee discussed the Emergency Medical Services as opposed to the Emergency Services. It was felt at this time that the EMS per diem was a part of the Health Dept. operation. It was moved by Comm. Berglund, supported by Comm. Lowe and carried that the funding for EMS Council per diems remain with the Health Dept. and that at budget review time for the 1986 budget, determination be made as to what department should be responsible for this operation.
A recommendation from the Resource Management/Development Dept. staff regarding the construction of a boat ramp at Perkins Park, was taken under consideration. It was moved by Comm. Lowe, supported by Comm. Berglund and carried that the Finance/Personnel Committee recommend to the County Board that they concur with the recommendation and request Chief Civil Counsel to review the proposed agreement between Marquette County and the DNR. The recommendation is as follows:

1) It is recommended that the original design for the structure be altered according to the recommendation of Sundberg/Carlson and Assoc., Consulting Engineer. The recommendation design involves filling at the lakeshore rather than dredging. It is further recommended that the County Board authorize its Chair to apply for any amendments to existing State or Federal Permits to reflect this design change.

2) Since the Michigan Dept. of Natural Resources had indicated their willingness to assist in the construction of the project, it is recommended that the County Board authorize its Chair to negotiate an agreement with the DNR at a cost within the amount budgeted for the purpose and execute an appropriate agreement to accomplish the work.

A communication from the Governmental Support Division staff regarding the publication and distribution of county road identification maps, was read. The need for these maps by emergency fire and police vehicles is apparent. It was moved by Comm. Lowe, supported by Comm. Berglund and carried that the Finance/Personnel Committee recommend to the County Board that they concur with the recommendations and:

1) Authorize the book of maps to be distributed to service providers at no charge.

2) That staff be authorized to set up a map maintenance program to provide annual update of the maps and the distribution of these updates.

3) Establish a county copyright on the documents.

4) Monitor secondary demand generated by the first distribution.

5) If other demand is generated than additional copies be produced to be sold to the general public and users.

A recommendation from Dennis Aloia, County Administrator, and a budget amendment to authorize the Facilities Dept. to purchase $2,000.00 worth of storage shelves, were read. It was moved by Comm. Lowe, supported by Comm. Berglund and carried unanimously that the Finance/Personnel Committee recommend to the County Board that they adopt a budget amendment to the general fund budget in the amount of $2,000.00 to provide the necessary shelving and that the Courthouse, Jail, Annex Capital Outlay line item in the Buildings and Grounds budget be increased by that amount, taken from the Contingency Account.
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A recommendation from Dennis Aloia, County Administrator, and a budget amendment in the amount of $6,258.51 to consolidate various Community Development Block Grant projects into proper accounts, were read. This amendment does not involve any additional funds, but is a transfer of funds in these accounts to make for easier close out of these projects. It was moved by Comm. Berglund, supported by Comm. Lowe and carried unanimously that the Finance/Personnel Committee recommend to the County Board that they concur with the recommendation and transfer $6,136.32 to the administration RIMCOR and $122.19 to administration Engineering Fees and that $6,258.51 be taken from Use of Equity Fund in the Community and Economic Development Fund Budget.

A request from Robert Taylor, of County Youth Employment Program, and a recommendation and budget amendment from Dennis Aloia, County Administrator, regarding the leasing of space in a building located on the corner of Third and Baraga for the purpose of providing office space for project leaders, were read. The space can be leased from the First National Bank and Trust Co. of Marquette for $100.00 per month with utilities included, except telephone. The space is necessary because of the expansion of the employment program. It was moved by Comm. Berglund, supported by Comm. Lowe and carried unanimously that the Finance/Personnel Committee recommend to the County Board that they concur with the recommendation and approve the budget amendment to the Employment Program Fund Budget and transfer $500.00 for telephone and $800.00 for building rental and that the $1,300.00 total be taken from the Use of Equity Fund in the Employment Program Fund Budget and have Chief Civil review the proposed lease before signing by Board Chair.

A communication and request from John Beerling, Supt./Engr., County Road Commission, for funds from the Public Improvement Fund 1985, was taken under consideration. The 1985 Public Improvement Fund had appropriated $159,500.00 for the purchase of Highway Pickup Trucks, a three yard Front End Loader, and a Rubber Tire Dozer. The request is that the County Board release these monies to the Road Commission. It was moved by Comm. Berglund, supported by Comm. Lowe to have Mr. Beerling present at the next meeting to provide additional information. After discussion this motion was withdrawn. It was then moved by Comm. Berglund, supported by Comm. Lowe that approval be given contingent on proof of purchase cost. This motion was later withdrawn when proof of purchase price was provided. It was then moved by Comm. Berglund, supported by Comm. Lowe and carried unanimously that the Finance/Personnel Committee recommend to the County Board that they provide $159,500.00 from the Public Improvement Fund to the County Road Commission to cover the county's budgeted cost of these purchases.

Bruce Rukkila, Finance Officer, gave a brief update on the 1984 audit. The Finance/Personnel Committee received copies of the 1984 Financial Statement of Acocks Medical Facility and the Marquette County Road Commission for their review. It is expected that the final audit report for the county will be available for staff review within two weeks. The county has been granted an extension of time until June 30, 1985 to finalize the audit. Bruce Rukkila advised the County Board that the recaptured fund balances may be greater than anticipated.

A communication and recommendation from Dennis Aloia, County Administrator, regarding the payment, to three persons, of the purchase cost of art work for the Courthouse, was read. It was moved by Comm. Berglund, supported by Comm. Lowe and
carried unanimously that the Finance/Personnel Committee recommend to the County Board that they concur with the recommendation and authorize payment, for art work completed, to the following persons:

Christine Saari $1,176.00
Patrick St. Germain $1,500.00
Michael Wirtanen $ 200.00

It was further recommended that Chief Civil Counsel, Patricia L. Micklow, prepare a purchase agreement to be signed by these artists prior to payment.

A discussion was held in regard to the flooding in the county due to heavy rains, melting snow and run off. Comm. Lowe briefly advised the Committee as to what has transpired since Friday, April 19, 1985. A situation may arise where the county must provide funds on a short notice to save lives and property. The County Board Chairperson, Timothy Lowe, had declared the State of Disaster Emergency in the county and the county disaster plan has been implemented. The disaster plan should be amended to allow the County Board Chair to authorize spending of county money in emergency situations. Some talk was heard in regard to commandeering private owned equipment for use in an emergency with payment for use provided later. Another possibility would be to authorize the Board Chair to spend up to a fixed amount and have the County Board ratify it later. A requirement to hold a special meeting, is 18 hours notice posted. There may be occasions where this is impossible and decisions must be made at once and approved later. No action was taken, further discussion will be held on a later date.

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

There being no further business to come before the Finance/Personnel Committee, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Marquette County Clerk
FINANCE/PERSO NNEL COMMITTEE
Tuesday, April 23, 1985, 5:00 P.M.
Room 231, Courthouse Annex
Marquette, Michigan 49855

1. ROLL CALL.
2. PUBLIC COMMENT.
4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.
6. A communication and recommendation from Dennis C. Whitehead, M.D., Chairperson, Marquette County EMS Council - Medical Control Authority, regarding request for County funding from the U.P. EMS Corporation.
7. A communication from Karlyn Rapport, Chairperson, Marquette County Board of Health, requesting the County Board to reconsider their recent action to transfer EMS Council travel funding back to the Health Dept. Referred from the County Board Meeting of April 16, 1985.
9. A recommendation from the Governmental Support Division staff regarding publication/distribution of County Road Maps.
10. A recommendation from Dennis Aloia, County Administrator, regarding a budget amendment in the amount of $2,000.00 to provide additional storage requirements for the Facilities Maintenance Dept.
11. A recommendation from Dennis Aloia, County Administrator, regarding a budget amendment for the Resource Management/Development Dept. in order to consolidate various Community Development Block Grant projects.
12. A request from Bob Taylor, of Employment Programs, and a recommendation from Dennis Aloia, County Administrator, regarding a lease agreement to provide more space for the program and a budget amendment in the amount of $1,300.00.
13. A communication from John Beerling, Supt. Engr., Marquette County Road Commission, requesting funding for the replacement of various pieces of Road Commission equipment from the Public Improvement Funds.
15. Courthouse Artworks contracts and payment. (part).
17.
18. PUBLIC COMMENT.
19. ANNOUNCEMENTS.
20. ADJOURNMENT.