The Finance/Personnel Committee of the Marquette County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, June 11, 1985 at 5:00 P.M. in Room 231 of the Courthouse Annex, Marquette, Michigan.

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. Lowe, supported by Comm. Berglund, and unanimously carried that the minutes of the Finance/Personnel Committee meeting held on April 23, 1985 be approved.

It was moved by Comm. Lowe, supported by Comm. Berglund and unanimously carried that the agenda be approved as written with the exception that a communication from Chief Civil, Patricia L. Micklow, regarding Sands Township search for a East Marquette Landfill site be added as item 15.

The Finance/Personnel Committee took under consideration claims and accounts in the amount of $639,021.08 for the period May 29, 1985 through June 11, 1985. It was moved by Comm. Berglund, supported by Comm. Lowe and unanimously carried that the Finance/Personnel Committee recommend to the County Board that they approve claims and accounts in the amount of $639,021.08 for the period May 29, 1985 through June 11, 1985 and allow them paid.

The Finance/Personnel Committee took under consideration a recommendation and budget amendment from Dennis Aloia, County Administrator, for the necessary repairs of concrete structural damage at the Youth Home. It was moved by Comm. Lowe, supported by Comm. Berglund and carried unanimously on a roll call vote that the Finance/Personnel Committee recommend to the County Board that they approve the request and: 1) repair the structural damage to garage foundation wall, at an estimated cost of $5,000.00; 2) install below grade fire exist from the basement, estimated cost $6,500.00; and 3) remove the concrete guard wall around the outside of the remaining patio area, estimated cost $750.00; and authorize the budget amendments to the Public Improvement Fund by transferring $12,250.00 from Use of Equity to the Youth Home Concrete Project.

The Committee took under consideration a recommendation from Dennis Aloia, County Administrator, and a budget amendment to the Public Improvements Fund that would allow barrier free improvements to the washroom facilities and managers office at Perkins Park. It was moved by Comm. Berglund, supported by Comm. Lowe and unanimously carried on a roll call vote that the Finance/Personnel Committee recommend to the County Board that they approve the recommendation and allow the budget amendment in the amount of $4,000.00 to the Public Improvement Fund by transferring the money from Use of Equity to the Park Barrier Free Improvements.

The Committee took under consideration a recommendation and budget amendment regarding a year around Job Training Program. The request was to; 1) approve the budget amendment, establishing a budget of $39,363.00. This funding is from Jobs Training money and no County money would be used; and 2) approve a permanent position of Program Director through the wage compensation system (job description...
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attached). It was moved by Comm. Berglund, supported by Comm. Lowe and unanimously carried on a roll call vote to recommend to the County Board that they approve the position of Permanent Program Director and approve the budget amendment to the Employee Program Fund budget in the amount of $39,363.00 to be taken from Use of Equity and placed in the Employment Program Operating Budget.

A discussion was held in regard to the Proposed Commercial Users Fee for use of the Register of Deeds Commercial Tract Index. Several written comments had been received opposing the charging of a fee for the use of this tract index.

Mr. Stephen Adamini, attorney and representative of the Marquette County Bar Association was present and commented on the County's proposed fees for use of the tract index. He stated that the policing of time spent in the tract index in order to charge the proper fee, would be a tremendous task for those people working in the Register of Deeds Office. Mr. Adamini felt that the tract index charges would only be passed on through the taxpayer in the long run, thereby causing the taxpayer to pay additional dollars not normally paid at this time.

Mr. Leonard Elder, of Elder Agency Realtors and representative of U.P. Board of Realtors, spoke in opposition to the Commercial Tract Index Users Fee.

Bruce Rukkila, Finance Officer and Dennis Aloia, County Administrator, explained the process in which the fee would be determined.

Mr. Paul Nykanen, Register of Deeds, was present and had no comment other than that the largest users of the tract index would be in this order; abstractors; realtors; surveyors; and then other persons.

It was moved by Comm. Lowe, supported by Comm. Berglund and unanimously carried that the staff, Finance Committee, and representatives of the realtors, bankers and attorneys, and other significant users, meet and hear suggestions or reactions within the next 60 days. This issue will stay with the Finance/Personnel Committee until resolved.

It was moved by Comm. Berglund, supported by Comm. Lowe and unanimously carried that the Finance/Personnel Committee schedule a special meeting to be held on June 9, 1985 at 7:30 P.M., after the regular meeting of the Finance/Personnel Committee. At the special meeting a round table discussion will be held with the interested persons, staff and Finance/Personnel Committee to make a determination on the Commercial Users Fee for the tract index.

The Finance/Personnel Committee took under consideration the request from Champion Township for the dredging of Furnace and Keystone Creeks. Chief Civil Counsel's communication in regard to this matter was taken under consideration along with verbal comments made by Mr. Dominic Andriacchi, attorney for Champion Township. Mr. Michael Hamel, Supervisor of Champion Township, was also present to comment on the need for this dredging. Mr. Andriacchi stated that the original agreement filed in 1937 with the Oliver Iron Mining Company should still be honored. There was some thought given to a 50/50 pay situation, but no agreement to that has been arrived at this time. Mr. Dominic Andriacchi suggested that a attorney general's opinion be sought to determine the matter. Chairperson Valente suggested that Champion Township seek such an opinion. The matter will stay with the Finance/Personnel Committee.
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The Finance/Personnel Committee took under consideration a request from Darryll Sundberg, Marquette County Drain Commissioner, to pledge the full faith and credit of the County of Marquette, in the amount of $150,000.00, to complete the loan transaction with the First National Bank of Negaunee for the Whetstone Brook Drainage District. The bank has requested the County's full faith and credit in addition to having the full faith and credit of the Drainage District, which seems to be double insurance that the loan will be repaid. It was moved by Comm. Berglund, supported by Comm. Lowe and carried on a roll call vote that the Finance/Personnel Committee recommend to the County Board that they adopt a resolution obligating the full faith and credit of Marquette County for the Whetstone Brook Drainage District loan transaction in the amount of $150,000.00.

The Finance/Personnel Committee took under consideration a request from the Marquette County Historical Society Inc. for $5,000.00 to complete a diorama depicting the William Austin Burt Survey Party and the use of a solar compass. Dr. Ruth Roebke-Berens, the Vice-President of the Marquette County Historical Society was present to answer questions in regard to the request. After discussion, it was moved by Comm. Berglund, supported by Comm. Lowe and unanimously carried on a roll call vote that the Finance/Personnel Committee recommend to the County Board that they approve the request and furnish the $5,000.00 from the Contingency Account as the County's contribution to the Historical Society and Michigan's History in helping to celebrate Michigan's Sesquicentennial Year.

The Finance/Personnel Committee took under consideration a request from the Upper Peninsula Emergency Medical Services Corp. for a contribution of $11,000.00 to provide training and education and funding for mini grant programs for 1985. This $11,000.00 request is based on 15¢ per capita for Marquette County. Mr. Robert Struck, Exec. Dir. of the U.P. Emergency Medical Service Inc. was present to explain the role and responsibilities of his agency in the Upper Peninsula and in Marquette County. Other U.P. Counties contribute on this same basis. Training in Emergency Medical Service is provided to ambulance operators, first responders, and others in the County. It was moved by Comm. Berglund, supported by Comm. Lowe and unanimously carried that the Finance/Personnel Committee recommend to the County Board that they concur with the request and provide U.P. Emergency Medical Service with $11,000.00 to be taken from the Contingency Account. In the future any appropriation to the U.P. Emergency Medical Service Corp. will be considered only at budget review time.

The Finance/Personnel Committee took under consideration a recommendation from Dennis Aloia, County Administrator, and Bruce Rukkila, Finance Officer, in regard to the acceptance of the Marquette County Audit Report for 1984 and the approval of journal entries for relieving the deficit in the Service Center Fund and the Social Services Child Care Fund. Both of these matters are required to be approved by June 30, 1985. It was moved by Comm. Lowe, supported by Comm. Berglund and unanimously carried on a roll call vote that the Finance/Personnel Committee recommend to the County Board that they: 1) accept the audit report and approval for the County Administrator to file the County's Audited December 31, 1984 Financial Report by June 30, 1985; and 2) approve the attached journal entries for relieving the deficit in the Service Center Fund and the Social Services Child Care Fund for the operating year ending December 31, 1984. The transfers would move $2,035.17 from the General Fund to the Social Services Child Care Fund and $16,765.17 from the General Fund to the Service Center Fund.
The Finance/Personnel Committee took under consideration the proposed meeting between the Marquette City Commission, Sands Township Board, Marquette County Board of Commissioners, and representatives from the following entities: East Marquette Solid Waste Authority, Marquette County Planning Commission, Dept. of Natural Resources, and the Cleveland Cliff Iron Company. It was moved by Comm. Lowe, supported by Comm. Berglund and unanimously carried on a roll call vote that the Finance/Personnel Committee recommend to the County Board that they hold a special meeting of the Marquette County Board of Commissioners in joint session with those units and entities mentioned and that the meeting be held in Room 164 at 7:00 P.M. on June 27, 1985 and that the units and entities mentioned be so notified.

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, it was moved by Comm. Berglund, supported by Comm. Lowe and unanimously carried that the meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

Henry A. Skewis
Marquette County Clerk
FINANCE/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE  
Tuesday, June 11, 1985, 5:00 P.M.  
Room 231, Courthouse Annex  
Marquette, Michigan 49855

1. ROLL CALL.
2. PUBLIC COMMENT.
4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.
5. Review of Claims and Accounts.
6. A communication and budget amendment from Dennis Aloia, County Administrator, regarding concrete work and repairs at the Youth Home.
7. A communication and budget amendment from Dennis Aloia, County Administrator, regarding Perkins Park Service Building Remodeling and Repairs.
8. Letter and budget amendment from Dennis Aloia, County Administrator, regarding Employment Programs Fund, with supporting documentation from Bob Taylor, Employment Programs.
9. Discussion of proposed Commercial Users Fee for use of the Register of Deeds, Commercial Tract Index, for recommendation to the County Board and Notice of Intent. (No written comments have been received).
10. A memo from Patricia L. Micklow, Chief Civil Counsel, regarding her meeting with Dominic Andriacchi, Attorney, on the responsibility of dredging Champion Township Creeks.
11. A communication from Darryll L. Sundberg, Drain Commissioner, regarding Whetstone Brook Drain.
12. A communication from Burton H. Boyum, President, Board of Trustees, Marquette County Historical Society, Inc., regarding a definite request for funds, and information from Dennis Aloia, County Administrator.
15. A memo from Patricia L. Micklow, Chief Civil Counsel, regarding Sands Township.

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18. PUBLIC COMMENT.
19. ANNOUNCEMENTS.
20. ADJOURNMENT.