The Executive/Intergovernmental Relations Committee of the Marquette County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, May 27, 1986 at 5:00 p.m. in Room 231 of the Henry A. Skewis Annex, Marquette, Michigan.

Chairperson DeFant called the meeting to order, roll call was taken and the following roll recorded:
Absent: None.

Chairperson DeFant opened the meeting for public comment, none was forthcoming.

It was moved by Comm. Lowe, supported by Comm. Corkin and unanimously carried that the minutes of the Executive/IGR Committee meeting held on May 13, 1986 be deferred until the next Committee meeting.

It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. Lowe and unanimously carried that the agenda be approved with the following additions: item 14 become a communication from the Negaunee Historical Society regarding the Teal Lake Project; and item 15 a communication from John G. LaSalle, President of the Marquette County EDC.

The Committee took under consideration a proposal for the Brookridge Country Inn. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. Lowe and unanimously carried that the proposal be sent to the Marquette County Economic Development Department for review and recommendations.

The Committee took under consideration a report from Louis A. Myefski, Superintendent of the Marquette-Alger Intermediate School District, regarding cooperative efforts between schools and MarqTran in providing transportation. Mr. Myefski was present for a discussion of the cooperative transportation study with the Committee and believes the savings potential of a regional transit system would justify a multi-year grant to cover developmental costs. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. Lowe and unanimously carried that the Executive/IGR Committee recommend the County Board request the Marquette Transportation Authority and its Administrator to work with Mr. Myefski to see if cooperative efforts between the schools and the MCTA can be brought about.

The Committee took under consideration a communication from Greg Seppanen, Vice-Chairperson, Marquette County Planning Commission, regarding Resource Management/Development Dept. comments on the Airport Master Plan. It was moved by Comm. Lowe, supported by Comm. Corkin and unanimously carried that the Executive/IGR Committee recommend the County Board concur with the Planning Commission acceptance of comments by James Kippola, Senior Planner, regarding several issues which should receive additional attention in the Airport Master Plan.

The Committee took under consideration a memo from James Kippola, Resource Management/Development Staff, regarding adoption of a resolution urging the financial support of the Federal Government for the Land and Water Conservation Fund. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. Lowe and unanimously carried that the Executive/IGR Committee recommend the
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County Board concur with Mr. Kippola by adoption the resolution and passing it on to our National Legislators.

The Committee took under consideration a communication from William G. Birch, Ed.D., Executive Director, Alger-Marquette Community Mental Health Center, regarding a new application form for the appointment to various County boards and commissions. It was moved by Comm. Lowe, supported by Comm. Corkin and unanimously carried to let the Committee direct staff to revise the application form for various boards and commissions for future consideration of the Executive/IGR Committee.

The Committee took under consideration a communication from Evelyn J. Heikkila, Forsyth Township Supervisor, regarding a survey conducted on Little Shag Lake in Forsyth Township to determine if property owners are in favor of setting the lake level. Chief Civil Counsel, Patricia Micklow, briefly outlined some of the necessary steps required in establishing a lake level. A survey is not enough, the Board of Commissioners must receive a petition by 2/3 of the free holders owning lands abutting the lake. There may also be up-front costs which the County Board has authority to ask for. The Drain Commissioner will establish a special assessment district if required. Should a County Board establish a lake level, maintenance of dams and waterways would be the responsibility of Marquette County and the land owners should be aware that there may be substantial costs involved. The Committee directed staff to notify Forsyth Township of the procedures that must be followed, to do further research on establishing a lake level on Little Shag Lake, to ask the Drain Commissioner to assess the setting of the lake level, and invite Forsyth Township Supervisor, Evelyn Heikkila, and County Drain Commissioner, Darryll Sundberg, to the next Executive/IGR Committee meeting.

The Committee took under consideration a communication from MAC on Senate Bill 559 and 586 regarding Court Reporter/Court Recorder. MAC strongly opposes Senate Bill 559 and 586 in their present form. Randell Girard, Human Services Director, reported if these bills were to pass they would establish a minimum salary for court recorders. This minimum would not effect Circuit Court Recorders but it would increase the compensation to District and Probate Court Recorders. The Bills would also increase the transcript fees that recorders could charge. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. Lowe and unanimously carried that the Executive/IGR Committee recommend the County Board go on record opposing Senate Bill 559 and 586 and that members of the Senate Judiciary Committee be contacted by phone with a letter to follow.

The Committee took under consideration the Public Defender System. Dennis Aloia, County Administrator, will put together a paper on alternatives to our present system to be presented at a meeting with the Judges. Civil Counsel, Patricia Micklow, suggested the Committee meet first with the Judges before involving the Bar Association. Comm. Lowe and Comm. Defant will attend the first meeting with the staff and the Judges to work out a possible format for the Public Defender System.
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The Committee took under consideration a request from the Negaunee Historical Society asking for support of their $10,000.00 Sesquicentennial Grant Application for the Teal Lake Project. Stone and copper artifacts were recently unearthed in an archaeological dig near Teal Lake, some artifacts believed to date back 8,000 years. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. Lowe and unanimously carried that the Executive/IGR Committee recommend the County Board adopt a resolution of support for the Teal Lake Sesquicentennial Project proposed by the Negaunee Historical Society.

Dennis Aloia, County Administrator, will redistribute copies of the Court Study for future discussion.

The Committee took under consideration a communication from John G. LaSalle, President of the Marquette EDC, suggesting that the EDC provide the County Board with technical/developmental analysis of all economic development related matters coming to the County Commission prior to any final action taken by the Board. It was moved by Comm. Lowe, supported by Comm. DeFant and unanimously carried that the Executive/IGR Committee recommend the County Board reaffirm its policy of seeking the advice and expertise of the various commissions and boards serving Marquette County.

Chairperson DeFant opened the meeting for public comment, none was forthcoming.

There being no further business to come before the Executive/IGR Committee the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

David J. Roberts  
Marquette County Clerk
MARQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
EXECUTIVE/INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE
Tuesday, May 27, 1986, 6:00 p.m.
Room 231, Henry A. Skewis Annex
Marquette, Michigan 49855

1. ROLL CALL.
2. PUBLIC COMMENT.
3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE/IGR COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON May 13, 1986.
4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.
6. Communication from Greg Seppanen, Vice-Chairperson,
Marquette County Planning Commission, regarding committee
action taken on the Airport Master Plan.
7. Memo from James Kippola, Senior Planner, recommending a
resolution regarding 1986-87 Federal Budget Appropriation
for the Land & Water Conservation Fund.
Alger-Marquette Community Mental Health Center, regarding a
new application form for appointment to various boards.
9. Communication from Louis A. Myefski, Superintendent of
MAISD, regarding cooperative efforts between schools and the
Marquette County Transit Authority.
10. Communication from Evelyn J. Heikkila, Forsyth Township
Supervisor, regarding a survey conducted on Little Shag Lake
in Forsyth Township to determine property owners in favor of
setting the lake level.
11. Communication from MAC on Senate Bill 559 and 586 regarding
Court Reporter/Court Recorder.
12. Discussion regarding the Public Defender System.
13. Court Study Discussion.
14. Jack Seib's Letter

15. Jack Seib's Letter

16. 

17. PUBLIC COMMENT.
18. ANNOUNCEMENTS.
19. ADJOURNMENT.