November 10, 1986

The Executive/Intergovernmental Relations Committee of the Marquette County Board of Commissioners met on Monday, November 10, 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: Present: Comm. Corkin, Comm. Lowe and Comm. DeFant. Absent: None.

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

It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. DeFant and unanimously carried that the minutes of the Executive/IGR Committee meeting held on October 28, 1986 be approved.

It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. Lowe and unanimously carried that the agenda be approved with the following addition: that item 7, Mr. Dale Wedig, Artist for the Stonegate Wall Project, be added.

The Committee took under consideration a communication from John Griebel, Communications Development Officer for the Community Action Agency, regarding a letter of support on developing a Pilot Health Care for the Uninsured Program for Marquette, Schoolcraft, Delta and Menominee Counties. The Committee asked Dr. Randall Johnson, Director of the Health Department, who was present for his comment. Dr. Johnson stated this is the first he has heard of the project and could not comment on it without more time for review. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. Lowe and unanimously carried that the Committee refer the letter from the Community Action Agency to Dr. Johnson, Director of the Health Department and Mr. Berns, Director of the Social Services Department, for review and comment to be returned to the Executive/IGR Committee.

The Committee took under consideration a resolution in support of C.H.O.P. (Citizens Helping Older People) from Chippewa County. Dr. Randall Johnson, Director of the Health Department, was present and reviewed his written response by pointing out because of federal budget restrictions and increasing numbers of individuals eligible for medicare the medicare program may get even more restrictive if adequate funding is not provided. Ms. Lynn Emerick, Director of the Commission on Aging, in her letter recommended the intent of the C.H.O.P. Program and the fact it has been formed by older residents themselves is worthy of support by the Board, but not the complete resolution. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. Lowe and unanimously carried that the Executive/IGR Committee recommend the County Board support the intent of the Chippewa County resolution to advocate against further erosion in medicare levels of coverage, and encourage older people in Marquette County to form a C.H.O.P. group by adopting the resolution.

The Committee took under consideration the Stonegate Wall Project. Mr. Dale Wedig, the Artist who designed the wall and iron gate, presented his concerns to the Committee regarding the project. Mr. Wedig reported that many changes in design have occurred during the construction of the wall, so much so that Mr. Wedig’s integrity as an artist has been questioned by his colleagues and has caused him some embarrassment. The design has been
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compromised and is no longer in continuity with the Courthouse base. Mr.
Wedig presented the Committee with copies of the contract, original design
specifications and drawings. The minutes of the October 27, 1986 Job
Progress Meeting were also reviewed, and also a recommendation and a letter
from Lincoln A. Poley, Jr., A.I.A., stemming from the Job Progress Meeting.
The Committee discussed the stonewall specifications with Mr. Wedig,
Administrator Aloia, Ron Koshorek, Director of Resource Management, Comm.
Valente and Civil Counsel. It was suggested by Chief Civil Counsel,
Patricia Micklow, that if the recommendations by the architect are rejected
as presented in his letter of November 5th, the architect should be given
directions by the County Board as to the specifications and final result of
the project. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. Lowe and
unanimously carried that the Executive/IGR Committee recommend the County
Board reject the recommendation of the architect and ask the architect to
follow the original specifications as bid upon, or any accommodation by the
architect that would maintain the integrity of the original specifications,
namely:

a) the size of the stone
b) the brightness of the stone
c) the texture of the stone
d) the pinning system to be included in the footing
e) the four-inch discrepancy in the opening for the gate
f) the capping on the wall
g) the wall should be tooled to match the Courthouse base and
appearance.

The Committee also requested that County Administrator, Dennis Aloia,
request the architect stop further work on the stonewall project until this
recommendation has been considered by the County Board.

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,

David J. Roberts
Marquette County Clerk
MARQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
EXECUTIVE/INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE
Monday, November 10, 1986, 5:00 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 October 28, 1986.
4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.
5. Communication from John Griebel, Communications Development Officer for Community Action Agency, regarding a letter of
   support on developing a pilot Health Care for the Uninsured Program for Marquette, Schoolcraft, Delta and Menominee Counties.
6. Communications from Chippewa County, Commission on Aging and Marquette County Health Department regarding C.H.O.P.
   (Citizens Helping Older People).
7. Mr. Welz - stonegate project.
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9. PUBLIC COMMENT.
10. ANNOUNCEMENTS.
11. ADJOURNMENT.