The Marquette County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, September 1, 1987 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 231 of the Henry A. Skewis Annex, Marquette, Michigan.

Chairperson Lowe called the meeting to order, roll call was taken and the following roll recorded: Present: Comm. Corkin, Comm. DeFant, Comm. Seppanen and Comm. Lowe. Absent and Excused: Comm. Valente.

Chairperson Lowe on behalf of the Marquette County Board expressed best wishes to Comm. Valente and a full recovery from his recent heart attack.

A Salute to the Flag was given followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. DeFant and unanimously carried that the minutes of the regular Board meeting held on August 18, 1987 be approved.

Chairperson Lowe read the following resolution designating September 16, 1987 as "United States Constitution Day" in Marquette County.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, 1987 is a special year for all Americans in that this is the year we celebrate the bicentennial of the signing of our United States Constitution; and

WHEREAS, dedicated teachers have taught each generation about the meaning, the rights, and the privileges guaranteed by our Constitution; and

WHEREAS, on September 16, 1987 schools across the nation will take part in a very special celebration – A Celebration of Citizenship; and

WHEREAS, "A Celebration of Citizenship" will unite all Americans around the world in a commemorative salute to our Constitution.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that September 16, 1987 be designated as United States Constitution Day in Marquette County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all citizens of Marquette County be urged to participate in "A Celebration of Citizenship" saluting our Constitution and rededicate themselves to keeping its principles alive.

Timothy J. Lowe, Chairperson

Chairperson Lowe read a proclamation by Governor James J. Blanchard that the State of Michigan will commemorate September 11, 1987 as "911 Day" in Michigan.

911 DAY

911 is the telephone number that every citizen in Michigan should be able to dial in case of an emergency. The number is reserved nationwide for citizens to obtain emergency police, fire and medical assistance in communities that have adopted it for their use. By providing everyone with one simple, easy-to-remember number to use for all emergencies, 911 benefits a community by helping to shorten overall response time, reduce confusion and delays, and save more lives and property.

On March 16, 1986, I signed into law Public Act 32, the Emergency Telephone Service Enabling Act. This act sets forth a process by which the 911 phone system can be accessible statewide. Public Act 32 grants county boards of commissioners the authority to establish emergency telephone service districts within the county or to join with a neighboring county to establish a 911 district. This act also establishes the Emergency Telephone Service Committee which will develop recommendations for statewide 911 service so that our Great Lake State will be one of the states where all citizens will have access to emergency assistance though 911.

As 911 Day is observed on September 11, 1987, it is fitting to recognize the implementation of this emergency number system in various communities and to encourage others lacking a 911 system to consider the advantages of this important service.
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Therefore, I, James J. Blanchard, Governor of the State of Michigan, do hereby declare September 11, 1987 as 911 DAY in Michigan. I encourage all citizens to recognize the importance and advantages of this emergency telephone service, and to join me in commemorating this observance.

James J. Blanchard, Governor

Chairperson Lowe opened the meeting for public comment. Wes Larson, Negaqueen Township Supervisor, and Executive Director of the Township Association, informed the County Board the meeting schedule of the Township Association has been changed and Commissioners will receive notice in the mail. Mr. Larson asked if 911 or Central Dispatch is receiving state help. Answer: Central Dispatch receives indirect state help through the Michigan State Police. There being no further public comment, Chairperson Lowe closed this portion of the meeting.

It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. Seppanen and unanimously carried that the agenda be approved as presented.

Mike Welsh, Citizens Committee to Save Jobs in Mining presented the County Board with a slide presentation on the economic impact of mining curtailment in Marquette County. The presentation highlighted the difficult economic times the iron ore mining industry and the steel industry have had in recent years, then focused specifically on the impact in Marquette County should the Tilden Mine be forced to close. The Citizens Committee strongly urged public support for the Tilden Magnetite Project, which would reduce pellet production costs and lower phosphorus content in the Tilden ore. This would enhance the marketability of the Tilden pellet and help assure the Tilden Mine's continued operation. The Tilden Magnetite Project will cost approximately twenty-five million dollars and the Citizens Committee urges public support for lowering State taxes on the mining industry without reducing local revenues. Mr. Welsh presented the Board with a resolution for their consideration urging the support of efforts to request financial help from the State of Michigan for the Tilden Magnetite Project. The resolution will be reviewed by both the Finance-Personnel Committee and the Executive/Intergovernmental Relations Committee for recommendation to the next regular Board meeting.

The Board took under consideration a resolution from Marquette Township in opposition to the landfill site in Section 33. Sue Hewitt, Marquette Township resident, read a statement in opposition to the location of a landfill site within two-and-one-half miles of private residences and Lake Enchantment. Mrs. Hewitt suggested the County seek a isolated site more centrally located in Marquette County. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. Seppanen and unanimously carried that the Marquette Township Board action be made part of the County Board minutes as follows.

The Marquette Township Board at their meeting of August 18, 1987, by a 5-0 vote the Board passed the following motion:

"To oppose the building of a landfill in Marquette Township within two-and-one-half miles of a resident or surface water."

It was moved by Comm. Seppanen, supported by Comm. DeFant and unanimously carried that the following informational items be accepted for file: a) a letter of appreciation from Edward Sloan, Executive Director, Eastern U.P. Substance Abuse Services, regarding the Board decision last year to take advantage of P.A. 2 of 1986; b) Department of Employment Programs monthly report for July, 1987; c) Commission on Aging report for months January thru July, 1987; d) a copy of a letter from the Road Commission to Ishpeming Township regarding improvements to County Road 977; e) a letter from C. Patrick Babcock, Director, Michigan Department of Social Services, in response to a Marquette County resolution concerning foster parent liability coverage.
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The County Board took under consideration Change Order #6 in the amount of $39,695.70 for construction of the New Marquette County Medical Care Facility. The 50 yards of rock originally estimated to be removed from the construction site turned out to be the 1569 yards. Because of the increased amount to be removed the price per cubic yard will be reduced from $30.50 to $25.30. Administrator Aloia explained the appropriate number of soil borings were done, but in one corner of the site between borings, the rock rises quickly and no one was aware of this until efforts began to remove the rock. The only thing to do is remove the rock and continue with the construction. It was moved by Comm. Seppanen, supported by Comm. Corkin and unanimously carried that Change Order #6 in the amount of $39,695.70 to remove rock encountered beneath the parking lot for the construction of the New Marquette County Medical Care Facility be approved.

The County Board took under consideration a recommendation from the Executive/IGR Committee regarding the formation of the Title III: Local Emergency Planning Committee (Right-to-Know Act of 1987). The County Board has the responsibility of nominating members to the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) to the State Emergency Response Commission for appointment. There are no funds provided by the Federal Legislation to pay for Local Committee expenses. The Local Committee's primary responsibility will be to develop an emergency response plan by October 17, 1988. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. DeFant and unanimously carried that the County Board approve of the Executive/IGR Committee recommendation that the County Clerk advertise for membership to the Title III: Local Emergency Planning Committee, in the fifteen categories, using the normal process for appointment to various county boards and commissions; and also the County Clerk identify and target specific groups in the fifteen categories with a packet of information regarding Community Right-to-Know Legislation to help solicit members to the LEPC.

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

Commissioner Comments and Announcements:
Comm. DeFant attended a Commission on Aging meeting earlier today. They discussed the forthcoming budget proceedings. The Commission on Aging took no action at this time in recommending a millage proposal to the County Board, but will wait until after the budget process is over to make a millage recommendation.
Comm. Corkin expressed confidence that the Solid Waste issue is moving forward and that a landfill site will be established soon.
Administrator Dennis Aloia reminded the Commissioners of the Committee of the Whole meeting to be held Wednesday, September 9, 1987 at 4:15 p.m. where he will present the budget.
County Clerk David Roberts reminded the Commissioners that because of Monday, September 7, 1987 being Labor Day, the Finance/Personnel Committee meeting will be held Tuesday, September 8, 1987 at 5:00 p.m. or immediately following the Executive/IGR Committee meeting.

There being no further business to come before the County Board the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]
David J. Roberts
Marquette County Clerk

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MARQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Regular Meeting, Tuesday, September 1, 1987, 7:00 p.m.
Room 231, Henry A. Skewis Annex
Marquette, Michigan  49855

1. ROLL CALL.
2. SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.
4. PROCLAMATIONS:
5. PUBLIC COMMENT. (time limit 20 minutes total)
6. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.
7. PUBLIC HEARINGS. (none)
8. PRIVILEGED COMMENT:
   a. Presentation by the Citizens Committee to Save Jobs in Mining.
   b. Resolution from Marquette Township to be read into County Board minutes regarding County landfill site.
9. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:
   a. A letter of appreciation from Edward Sloan, Executive Director, Eastern U.P. Substance Abuse Services, regarding the Board decision last year to take advantage of P.A. 2 of 1986.
   d. A copy of a letter from the Road Commission to Ishpeming Township regarding improvements to County Board GO.
   e. A letter from C. Patrick Babcock, Director, Michigan Department of Social Services, in response to a Marquette County resolution concerning foster parent liability coverage.
   A proclamation from Governor James J. Blanchard commemorating September 11, 1987, a 9-1-1 Day In Michigan.
10. ACTION ITEMS:
    a. Change Order #6 in the amount of $39,695.70 for general construction of Marquette County Medical Care Facility.
    b. A recommendation from the Executive/IGR Committee regarding the formation of the Title III: Local Emergency Planning Committee. (Right-to-Know Act of 1987)
11. LATE ADDITIONS:
    a.
    b.
12. PUBLIC COMMENT. (time limit 20 minutes total)
13. COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS. F/P 5:00 Tuesday Sept 8, 1987
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14. ADJOURNMENT.