The Marquette County Board of Commissioners Regular Session and Continuation of the Annual Meeting was held on Tuesday, November 17, 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, Comm. Valente and Comm. Lowe. Absent: None.

Chairperson Lowe called for a moment of silence in memory of Shari Myers.

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

It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. Seppanen and unanimously carried that the minutes of the County Board of Commissioners Regular meeting held on October 20, 1987 and an amended last page of the October 13, 1987 Annual Meeting minutes be approved.

Chairperson Lowe declared the following proclamation.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the public schools are an important and integral part of our society; and
WHEREAS, the concept of a free and equal education is an American tradition and this country's strength; and
WHEREAS, the students of today are the leaders of tomorrow; and
WHEREAS, all citizens have a responsibility to support the public schools;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Timothy J. Lowe, Chairperson, of the Marquette County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim November 15-21, 1987 as AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK and urge all citizens to make a commitment to public education and to the future of Marquette County children by visiting their local public schools and by donating their time and talents to help make the public schools even better.

Timothy J. Lowe, Chairperson
Marquette County Board of Commissioners

Chairperson Lowe opened the meeting for public comment. Mr. Robert L. Beams, resident and landowner of Richmond Township, addressed the Board requesting their help in resolving problems he feels have been imposed on him and the citizens of Richmond Township through the irregularities in township government that he has described and substantiated over the past year to various County officials.

It was moved by Comm. Valente, supported by Comm. Seppanen and unanimously carried that the agenda be approved with the following additions; under Late Additions, item 11a) a letter of resignation from John Scram from the Commission on Aging; and an addition to Action Item 10i) nominations from the City of Marquette to the Marquette County Transit Authority.

Chairperson Lowe opened the meeting for privileged comment. Comm. Corkin, 2nd District Representative, questioned Civil Counsel, Gary Walker, regarding the complaints of Mr. Robert L. Beams, Richmond Township resident. Civil Counsel Walker stated that the complaints which were brought to his attention regarding township government were not of a criminal nature and should be dealt with on a township level. He stated the County Board has no supervisory roll over township government. Comm. Corkin also felt the problems which have been addressed should be settled by Richmond Township's elected officials and could not see himself having any roll in this situation at all.
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS COUNTY OF MARQUETTE NOVEMBER 17, 1987

It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. Valente and unanimously that informational item 9a, New Medical Facility Progress Report, October 24, 1987 thru November 6, 1987, be placed on file.

The County Board reconvened the annual meeting to certify Forsyth Township Tax Levies. The Township has held their Truth in Taxation Hearing and adopted the appropriate resolution certifying their total millage rate of 9.4000 mills which includes an additional rate of .0495 mills. It was moved by Comm. DeFant, supported by Comm. Seppanen and unanimously carried that the County Board certify the millage rate for Forsyth Township as follows:

**FORSYTH TOWNSHIP**

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<td>83,502.00</td>
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<td>1,100,765.12</td>
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<td>$1,857,084.48</td>
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The County Board took under consideration a recommendation from the Executive/IGR Committee urging the support of House Bill 4859 which would allow the term of office for County Road Commissioner to not less than three (3) nor more than six (6) years; and support of Senate Bills 399, 400, and 401 which would tax mobile homes in mobile home parks as real property. It was moved by Comm. DeFant, supported by Comm. Seppanen and unanimously carried that the County Board support House Bill 4859 and Senate Bills 399, 400, and 401 and write to our State Legislatures.

The County Board took under consideration a recommendation from the Finance/Personnel Committee recommending the adoption of a policy for Disposal of Surplus County Property. It was moved by Comm. DeFant, supported by Comm. Seppanen and unanimously carried that the Marquette County Board adopt the following policy for Disposal of Surplus County Property.

**POLICY FOR DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS COUNTY PROPERTY**

A. Surplus Property Defined:

Surplus property is any tangible asset except for land which the County Administrator determines is excess to the County's immediate and future needs. The Administrator will consider, at a minimum, remaining useful file of the asset, cost of maintaining or storing the property and potential needs of County departments before declaring property to be surplus.
B. Disposal of Property:

Whenever possible, surplus property will be sold for its market value. An initial estimate of value will be made by the County Administrator with consultation of the affected Department Head by appropriate methods. This may include qualified third party opinion, published price lists and recent experience in similar sales. Property will be disposed of by one of the following procedures based on the estimated value.

- **$1,000.00 less** - The Administrator may sell to the party who presents the first bona fide offer equal to the estimated value. If no offers are received equal to the estimated value, the Administrator is authorized to sell at the highest price which he/she can obtain.

- **$1,000 - $5,000** - Written or verbal offers from at least three sources will be obtained. The County Administrator is authorized to sell to the highest of the three offers.

- **$5,000 or more** - Public announcement of sale will be made by publication in a local newspaper and at the Administrator's discretion, other publications. Sealed bids will be received, opened and tabulated by the Administrator and forwarded with recommendation for sale to the County Board of Commissioners.

The Administrator is authorized to execute appropriate ownership transfer documents upon receipt of sale proceeds. The Administrator may condition any sale upon requirements of applicable law, lease, contract or County Board policy which might pertain to a particular transaction.

C. Proceeds of Sale:

All proceeds from the sale of surplus property will be deposited in the County General Fund unless otherwise regulated by statute, contract, grant agreement or County Board policy.

D. Report of Sales Activity:

Annually before December 31, the Administrator will supply the Commission with a list of surplus property sold within the previous 12 months. The list will include a description of the item(s) sold, the price obtained and the name of the buyer.

The County Board took under consideration a recommendation from the Finance/Personnel Committee regarding the award of the 1987-1988 Audit Contract to Anderson, Tackman and Company. Several accounting firms expressed interest but only Anderson, Tackman and Company bid. It was moved by Comm. DeFaint, supported by Comm. Seppanen and unanimously carried that the County Board award the 1987-1988 Audit Contract to Anderson, Tackman and Company in the amount of $27,350.00 for 1987, $28,610.00 for 1988, and $29,990.00 for 1989.

The County Board took under consideration a recommendation from the Finance/Personnel Committee regarding replacement of the air conditioning compressor. DuQuaine Inc. has quoted $11,443.00 to exchange the unit with a remanufactured Trane Compressor, with a one-year warranty, installation not included. It was moved by Comm. DeFaint, supported by Comm. Seppanen and unanimously carried that the County Board approve the purchase of a remanufactured Trane Compressor with funds to be taken from the Contingency Fund by adopting the following budget amendment resolution.
RESOLUTION AMENDING GENERAL FUND
Fiscal Year 1987 Amendment No. 46

WHEREAS, budgets were adopted by the County Board on October 14, 1986 to govern the receipts and expenditures of the various County funds for the next fiscal year of the County; and

WHEREAS, as a result of unanticipated changes in revenues and/or needed expenditures, it is necessary to modify the aforesaid budget; and

WHEREAS, such modification will still maintain a balanced budget between revenues and expenditures.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the aforesaid budget be hereby modified as follows:

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Rev. Budget Acct.

Motion was made by Comm. DeFant, Seconded by Comm. Seppanen, to adopt the foregoing resolution. Upon roll call vote, the following vote was recorded:

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The Chairperson declared the motion carried and the resolution duly adopted.

The County Board took under consideration a recommendation from the Finance/Personnel Committee regarding Cost Effective Energy Improvements at the Marquette County Youth Home. Hitch, Inc. recommends installation of gas fired roof top mounted heating and cooling units and water heater, and also increased insulation levels be added to attic. $26,000.00 has been budgeted for the project minus the $2,500.00 paid for the Study. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. Seppanen and unanimously carried that the County Board authorize the arrangement for installation of a natural gas line, that bids be advertised for the installation of the HVAC System, and insulation be increased should funds be available after bidding the basis system.
The County Board took under consideration a recommendation from the Finance/Personnel Committee regarding the Ishpeming Wastewater Treatment Bonds. The Finance/Personnel Committee expressed concern and dismay that the refinancing of the bonds was not completed by Bendzinski & Co., and had serious doubts that the cause of delay can be blamed on AMBAC Indemnity Corporation in providing insurance. It was moved by Comm. DeFant, supported by Comm. Seppanen and unanimously carried that the County Board write a letter to all participating organizations, including the Ohio Company, setting up a meeting of the Ishpeming Area Joint Wastewater Treatment Board, requesting Mr. Bendzinski of Bendzinski & Co. be present to review the history of the refinancing and provide status of the project.

The County Board took under consideration a recommendation from the Finance/Personnel Committee authorizing the payment to MAC of 2% of Federal P.I.L.T. monies received by Marquette County in 1987. Mac uses these funds for lobbying efforts. It was moved by Comm. DeFant, supported by Comm. Seppanen and unanimously carried that the County Board pay the 2% of P.I.L.T. in the amount of $238.92 to MAC from the Contingency Fund by adopting the following budget amendment resolution.

RESOLUTION AMENDING GENERAL FUND
Fiscal Year 1987 Amendment No. 45

WHEREAS, budgets were adopted by the County Board on October 14, 1986 to govern the receipts and expenditures of the various County funds for the next fiscal year of the County; and

WHEREAS, as a result of unanticipated changes in revenues and/or needed expenditures, it is necessary to modify the aforesaid budget; and

WHEREAS, such modification will still maintain a balanced budget between revenues and expenditures.

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Motion was made by Comm. DeFant, Seconded by Comm. Seppanen, to adopt the foregoing resolution. Upon roll call vote, the following vote was recorded:

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The Chairperson declared the motion carried and the resolution duly adopted.
The County Board took under consideration a communication from David J. Roberts, County Clerk, regarding nominations to various boards and commissions. It was moved by Comm. Seppanen, supported by Comm. Valente to accept all nominations received for the various boards and commissions. Comm. DeFant requested permission to discuss and clarify some of the nominations. She noted that the City of Ishpeming and the Township Association had only submitted one nomination for these vacancies, and according to the Interlocal Agreement with MqTran it states, "When a vacancy occurs, the unit of government responsible for nominations for the vacancy shall be notified in writing, and that unit of government shall respond in writing with the appropriate number of nominations within thirty (30) days of notification. If nominations are not made in this manner, the Marquette County Board of Commissioners reserves the right to appoint the appropriate number of nominees."

Comm. DeFant stated the Board should request an additional nomination from each of the entities in question, if not, the Board must appoint another nominee in order to comply with the Interlocal Agreement. Discussion and debate followed. It was moved by Comm. DeFant and accepted by Comm. Seppanen to amend the original motion to accept the nominations for various boards and commissions with the exception of the City of Ishpeming and the Townships Association nominations for the Marquette County Transit Authority, and to notify the two local entities in order to comply with the Interlocal Agreement additional nominations must be submitted. The following roll call vote was recorded on the amendment:

Comm. DeFant - Aye  Comm. Valente - Nay
Comm. Lowe - Aye

The amendment carried. The following roll call vote was recorded on the original amended motion:

Comm. DeFant - Aye  Comm. Valente - Nay
Comm. Lowe - Aye

The motion carried.

The County Board took under consideration a letter of resignation from John Scram, Commission on Aging. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. Seppanen and unanimously carried to regrettfully accept the resignation of John Scram from the Commission on Aging.

Comm. Corkin requested that the Marquette County Transit Authority Interlocal Agreement be referred to the Executive/IGR Committee for study and review and to survey all local units of government affected to see if there are any objections to changing the Interlocal Agreement regarding the number of nominations to be presented for vacancies.

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

Commissioner Comments and Announcements:

Comm. DeFant requested that the matter of the possible offers for the Brookridge Property be put on the agenda of the next Executive/IGR Committee meeting and that the Staff have a report prepared for that meeting assessing what the potential offers are.

Chairperson Lowe announced that a special meeting of the County Board will be held on Friday, November 20, 1987 at 3:15 p.m. to adopt the Marquette Public Schools millage resolutions.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Margaret A. O'Neill
Deputy County Clerk
MARQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Regular Meeting and Continuation of the Annual Meeting
Tuesday, November 17, 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.
3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING HELD ON October 20, 1987, also an amended last page of the October 13, 1987 Annual Meeting minutes. (On minutes previously approved the 1.5% wage increase effective January 1, 1988 was omitted and the 1% wage increase is effective January 1, 1989 not 1988).
4. PROCLAMATIONS:
a. Resolution proclaiming November 15-21, 1987 as "American Education Week".
5. PUBLIC COMMENT. (time limit 20 minutes total)
6. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.
7. PUBLIC HEARINGS. (none)
8. PRIVILEGED COMMENT:
a. 
b.
9. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:
10. ACTION ITEMS:
   a. Reconvening of the Annual Meeting to Certify Forsyth Township Tax Levies.
   b. Recommendation from the Executive/IGR Committee to support House Bills 4859 and Senate Bills 399, 400, and 401.
   c. Recommendation from the Finance/Personnel Committee to adopt a proposed policy for the disposal of County Property.
   d. Recommendation from the Finance/Personnel Committee to award Audit Contract for 1987-89 to Anderson, Tackman & Co.
   e. Recommendation from the Finance/Personnel Committee to replace a broken air conditioning compressor.
   f. Recommendation from the Finance/Personnel Committee regarding installation of a heating-ventilation-air conditioning system for the Youth Home.
   g. Recommendation from the Finance/Personnel Committee to schedule a meeting of the Ishpeming Area Joint Wastewater Treatment Board.
   h. Recommendation from the Finance/Personnel Committee to pay 2% of P.I.L.T. funds to Michigan Association of Counties for lobbying efforts.
   i. Nominations to various County Boards and Commissions.
11. LATE ADDITIONS:
   a. Recognition of John F. Strean from Comm. on Aging
   b.
12. PUBLIC COMMENT. (time limit 20 minutes total)
13. COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS. — Meeting to adopt special public
14. ADJOURNMENT.