The Executive/Intergovernmental Relations Committee of the Marquette County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, March 22, 1988 at 4:00 p.m. in Room 231 of the Henry A. Skewis Annex, Marquette, Michigan.

Chairperson Seppanen called the meeting to order, roll call was taken and the following roll recorded: Present: Comm. Corkin, Comm. Lowe and Comm. Seppanen. Absent: None.

It was moved by Comm. Lowe, supported by Comm. Corkin and unanimously carried that the minutes of March 8, 1988 be approved.

Chairperson Seppanen opened the meeting for public comment. James Sodergren, Marquette County Treasurer, spoke in regards to item 10, a resolution from Kalamazoo County calling for a change in the fiscal year of the State of Michigan, and pointed out that currently the fiscal year for Townships begins on April 1st, for Schools on July 1st, for the State of Michigan October 1st, and for Counties January 1st. If all taxing units of government were on the same fiscal year it would result in savings for the taxpayers. There being no further public comment, Chairperson Seppanen closed this portion of the meeting.

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

The Committee took under consideration a letter from Steve Perucco, Chairperson, Central Dispatch Policy Board, regarding the organization of the 9-1-1 Implementation Committee. The Central Dispatch Policy Board was concerned that representatives from the Central Dispatch Board should be on the 9-1-1 Implementation Committee. The Executive Committee will be appointing the 9-1-1 Implementation Committee in the near future as authorized by the County Board. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. Lowe and unanimously carried that in the Committee's efforts to appoint the Implementation Committee, they consider the present members of the Central Dispatch Board for appointment to the Implementation Committee, and that Mr. Perucco's communication be accepted for file.

Steve Morski, U.P. Title and Abstract, and Guy McGladdery, from Great Northern Title and Abstract, were present to discuss the County's Tract Index. The Tract Index is two years behind. Mr. Morski and Mr. McGladdery contended that if they had a copy of the miscellaneous entry book it would save them several hours per week. They are paying for the use of the County Tract Index and they believe they should not be penalized because the County is behind. Dennis Aloia, County Administrator, and Brent Nault, Data Processing Manager, explained the Tract Index is under study by senior level NMU students, who are Systems Analysis majors, with the cooperation of Paul Nykanen, Register of Deeds. Their report with recommendations is expected by the end of April, including a cost analysis as to automating indexing of instruments. Staff would delay making any recommendations regarding computerization or staff levels in the Register of Deeds Office until after this report is complete. The Executive Committee will invite Mr. Nykanen to their next meeting on April 12, 1988. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. Lowe and unanimously carried to have Administrator Aloia
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Contact Register of Deeds Nykanen to see if the Miscellaneous Entry Book could be photocopied and the copies provided to Mr. McGladdery and Mr. Morski and other Abstractors, and if not, Mr. Nykanen should provide reasons why copies cannot be provided.

The Committee took under consideration the County Smoking Policy that was recently revised. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. Seppanen and defeated one-to-two, with Comm. Corkin voting aye, and Comm. Seppanen and Comm. Lowe voting nay, to include the area known as the "Cubby Hole" in the Old Courthouse as a designated smoking area.

The Committee took under consideration a request from Ewing Township to be exempted from the ballot proposal on a County-wide (9-1-1) Central Dispatch System. John Rohde, Ewing Township Supervisor, was present and explained that Ewing Township pays a per capita fee and participates with the Delta County 9-1-1 System. Turin Township is also included in the Delta County 9-1-1 System. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. Lowe and unanimously carried that the Executive/IGR Committee recommend the County Board not require any unit of government to pay double for a 9-1-1 System.

The Committee took under consideration a communication from George Wright, Facilities Manager, regarding the recycling of County waste paper. Mr. Wright was present to discuss the matter and answer questions. The County uses two types of paper, photocopy and computer print-out paper that can be separated for the recycling market. N & N Trucking would pick up the paper in plastic bags on a regular schedule, then store and sell the paper to a mill for recycling. The only cost to Marquette County in dealing with N & N Trucking would be $500.00 for two-hundred additional waste baskets. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. Lowe and unanimously carried that the Executive/IGR Committee recommend the County Board purchase two-hundred (200) additional waste baskets at a cost of $500.00, to be taken from the Contingency Fund, and place themselves on a recycling pick-up schedule with N & N Trucking and Recycling Co., Co. Rd. 550, Marquette.

The Committee took under consideration a resolution from Kalamazoo County to change the State Fiscal Year and the Budget Adoption Date for Michigan counties. James Sodergren, County Treasurer, indicated during public comment that the resolution is a step in the right direction, but it does not go far enough. The County Fiscal Year begins on January 1, the State of Michigan October 1, the Townships on April 1, and the Schools on July 1. If all taxing units began their fiscal year on the same date, there would be less confusion and cost to the taxpayer. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. Lowe and unanimously carried that the Executive/IGR Committee recommend the County Board adopt a similar resolution which includes language calling for one fiscal year for all units of government and Schools in Michigan.
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The Committee took under consideration a letter from Chuck Bergdahl, President, Marquette County Fair, requesting support in their efforts to secure a fairgrounds. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. Lowe and unanimously carried that the Executive/IGR Committee recommend the County Board reaffirm its support of a fairgrounds in Marquette County.

The Committee took under consideration an invitation for a County Board Representative to serve on a Joint Forestry Advisory Committee from the Marquette County Soil and Water Conservation District. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. Lowe and unanimously carried that the letter be accepted for file and that the County Board Chairperson appoint the representative to the Joint Forestry Committee as requested.

The Committee took under consideration letters from Champion, Ishpeming, Michigamme, and Powell Townships in support of naming the New County Medical Facility after Frank Valente. The Executive Committee is currently holding on file all communications and resolutions regarding this matter. It was moved by Comm. Lowe, supported by Comm. Corkin and unanimously carried to continue to hold such resolutions on file for consideration and recommendation at a future meeting.

The Committee took under consideration the County Land Policy. Comm. Lowe was requested by Retired Col. George Hagans to sign a document setting in motion a rezoning request in Forsyth Township which includes ten acres of County land upon which Col. Hagans wants to build a hotel complex. Many questions were raised during discussion:

- Does this project fit into the County Comprehensive Plan?
- Do we pursue Economic Development regardless of cost?
- If Comm. Lowe signed the document would it be construed that the County supports this project?
- If Comm. Lowe does not sign does this mean the County is opposed to the project?
- What if other persons/proposals requested to purchase the 10 acres?

Comm. Corkin maintained that such a proposal would be of benefit to the community and does not want the County to be in a position as a stopper. Administrator Aloia explained that if the County Board intends to sell the property, then perhaps they should just do so, without requiring Staff to spend the time and effort reviewing the request as required by the Land Conveyance Policy. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. Seppanen and carried two votes to one, with Comm. Lowe voting nay, that the Executive/IGR Committee recommend the County Board support this development if Forsyth Township thinks its appropriate to proceed, and make the County land available at fair market value.
Comm. Corkin indicated he had received a complaint from a constituent that not enough time was allowed for public comment at a recent Department of Social Services Board meeting. The Committee requested that Administrator Aloia talk to David Berns, Director, Department of Social Services, about the matter and ask them to include a public comment section at the beginning and at the end of their Board meetings.

Chairperson Seppanen opened the meeting for public comment. Joe Pietro, Forsyth Township Resident, indicated he was supportive of the project in Forsyth Township proposed by Col. Hagans, but will probably bid against Col. Hagans for the ten acres, should the County decide to sell. Mr. Pietro thanked the Committee and members of Staff for answering his many questions during the last few days, and commended the Committee and Staff for being a fine example of government in action.

Administrator Aloia pointed out to Mr. Pietro that under the Land Conveyance Policy, should it be determined that the land is to be sold, the County does not require bids. Administrator Aloia recommended to Mr. Pietro that if he is interested in the same parcel of land as Col. Hagans, he should submit a draft proposal requesting the property as required by the Land Conveyance Policy. There being no further public comment, Chairperson Seppanen closed this portion of the meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

David J. Roberts
Marquette County Clerk
MARQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
EXECUTIVE/INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE
Tuesday, March 22, 1988, 4:00 p.m.
Room 231, Henry A. Skewis Annex
Marquette, Michigan 49855

1. ROLL CALL.
2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE/IGR COMMITTEE
   MEETING HELD ON March 8, 1988.
3. PUBLIC COMMENT.
4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.
5. A letter from Steve Perucco, Chairperson, Central Dispatch
   Policy Board, regarding the organization of the 9-1-1
   Implementation Committee.
6. Discussion of the County's Tract Index.
7. Consideration of a County Smoking Policy revision.
8. Discussion of a request by Ewing Township to be exempted
   from the ballot proposal on a County-wide (9-1-1) Central
   Dispatch System.
9. A memo from George Wright, Facilities Manager, on Marquette
   County Waste Paper Recycling.
10. A resolution from Kalamazoo County to change the fiscal year
    of the State of Michigan and the budget adoption date for
    Michigan Counties.
11. A letter from Chuck Bergdahl, President, Marquette County
    Fair, regarding fairgrounds.
12. An invitation for a County Board representative to serve on
    a joint Forestry Advisory Committee.
13. Letters from Champion, Ishpeming, Michigamme and Powell
    Townships in support of naming the New County Medical
    Facility after Frank Valente.
14. Discussion of County Land Policy.
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18. PUBLIC COMMENT. Joe Pietro
19. ANNOUNCEMENTS.
20. ADJOURNMENT.