April 12, 1988

The Marquette County Board of Commissioners Executive/Intergovernmental Relations Committee met on Tuesday, April 12, 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: 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 the March 22, 1988 meeting be approved.

Chairperson Seppanen opened the meeting for public comment. Mr. James Anderson, Marquette Resident, spoke against extending the timetable to allow the Department of Social Services to complete their proposal for a Regional Detention and Treatment Center at the Brookridge site. Mr. Anderson urged the Committee to recommend that negotiations start with private developers for the Brookridge property.

Charles Drury, Marquette Resident, pointed out he has been in pursuit of the Brookridge site for 2-1/2 years, and would also like the County Board to make the property available for sale to a private developer.

Jackie Lykins, County Employee and Chapter Chairperson Local 2914, requested to speak during the discussion on item 8, Smoking Policy.

There being no further public comment, Chairperson Seppanen closed this portion of the meeting.

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

The Committee took under consideration the appointment of the 911 Implementation Committee. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. Lowe and unanimously carried that the following persons be appointed:

Steven Perucco - Representative of the Central Dispatch Policy Board
Lt. Gene Sweeney - State Police Representative
Lt. Mike Zorza - EMS Representative
(Bob Struck as alternate should Lt. Zorza not be able to serve)
Ron DeMarse - Representing County Firefighters
Comm. Paul Arsenault - Representing County Officials
Helen St. Aubin - City Official
Greg Zyburt - Representing Township Officials
Robert Manning - Citizen At Large
Vacancy to be appointed - Citizen At Large

The Committee took under consideration a letter from Dick Friz, Regional Director, Outstate Residential Services, Department of Social Services, requesting the County Board to extend the target date for considering alternate proposals for the Brookridge property until July 15, 1988. Comm. Seppanen spoke with Mr. Friz and reached agreement to move the deadline up to June 15, 1988. Chief Civil Counsel, Gary Walker, pointed out that should the State not use Brookridge as a Regional Detention and Treatment Center, the County Board has in no way committed itself to selling the property to any private developers. It was moved by Comm. Lowe,
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supported by Comm. Seppanen and carried, two-to-one with Comm. Corkin voting nay, that the Executive/IGR Committee recommend the County Board extend the date for considering alternate proposals for the Brookridge property until after June 15, 1988.

The Committee took under consideration letters from Chief Judge, Edward A. Quinnell and Jackie Lykins, Chapter Chairperson, Local 2914, requesting further review of the smoking policy. Jackie Lykins was present to support the addition of the "cubby hole" as a designated smoking area for the benefit of County employees. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. Seppanen, and carried two-to-one with Comm. Lowe voting nay, that the Executive/IGR Committee recommend the County Board amend its smoking policy to include the area commonly called the "cubby hole" as a designated smoking area.

The Committee took under consideration a review of Policy #425 the County Land Conveyance Policy. It was moved by Comm. Lowe, supported by Comm. Corkin and unanimously carried that the Executive/IGR Committee allow a two-week comment period for Staff and Commissioners to suggest revisions to the present County Land Conveyance Policy, and also a Draft Acquisition Policy be developed by Staff for consideration at the next Executive/IGR Committee meeting.

The Committee took under consideration a letter from Helen St. Aubin, Ishpeming City Manager, requesting a status report on the possible refinancing of the Ishpeming Wastewater Treatment Bonds. Administrator Dennis Aloia, reported that although it has been frustrating dealing with Bendzinski, the delays and lack of communication by Mr. Bendzinski are because the refinancing will not generate enough savings to make it worth while. Mr. Bendzinski indicated to Mr. Aloia he is waiting for Bond Counsel and will set up a meeting of the parties involved in several weeks. Administrator Aloia will schedule such a meeting in three weeks regardless of developments from Bendzinski. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. Lowe and unanimously carried that the Executive/IGR Committee direct Staff to request a report from Mr. Bendzinski updating the status of the refinancing, and also request a financial analysis.

Comm. Lowe was excused from the meeting to attend the Central Dispatch Policy Board meeting.

The Committee took under consideration a communication from Robert Niemi, Executive Director, Marquette County Transit Authority, on behalf of the MarqTran Board, requesting that the County agree to call a special election in 1989 for renewal of the MarqTran millage. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. Seppanen and unanimously carried that the matter be tabled until after the meeting of the Tax Limitation Advisory Board (Allocation Board) of April 18, 1988.
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The Committee took under consideration a resolution from Bay County regarding the recycling of solid waste. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. Seppanen and unanimously carried that the Executive/IGR Committee recommend the County Board adopt a similar resolution.

Chairperson Seppanen 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
1. ROLL CALL.
3. PUBLIC COMMENT.
4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.
5. Appointment of 911 Implementation Committee.
6. Timetable revision for the Department of Social Services to complete its site selection proposal for a Regional Detention and Treatment Center.
8. A memo from Chief Judge, Edward A. Quinnett, and Jackie Lykins, Chapter Chairperson, regarding Smoking Policy.
9. A letter from the City of Ishpeming requesting status report on possible refinancing of the Ishpeming Wastewater Treatment Bonds.
10. A letter from the Marquette County Transit Authority regarding the renewal of the Marq-Tran millage.
11. A resolution from Bay County regarding the recycling of solid waste.
12. 
13. 
14. PUBLIC COMMENT.
15. ANNOUNCEMENTS.
16. ADJOURNMENT.